REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

February 7, 2018
6:30 P.M.

Call To Order & Roll Call

The meeting of the Disability Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:35 P.M. at the Culver City Senior Center.

Members Present: **DR. JAY SHERY**, Chair
DR. ROBERT MONTGOMERY, Vice Chair
DR. JANET CAMERON HOULT, Member
SUSAN OSBORNE, Member
MARCY SOOKNE, Member
ROBYN TENENSAP, Member

Absent: **BARBARA EFFROS-SCHWARTZ**, Member
N. JOHN HASEGAWA, Member
KO KO NAING, Member

Staff Present: John Adams - Disability Services Specialist
Armando Abrego, Senior and Social Services Manager
Corey Lakin, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director
Laurence Ma - Culver City Administrative Clerk

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Community Announcements By DAC Members/Information Items From Staff

Dr. Janet Hoult indicated that she was testing her hearing Loop; announced that her book *Going to the Dogs and Other Critters* had been published with all proceeds going to the Friends of the Culver City Dog Park; she indicated that the Centennial Poetry Contest Collection would be published soon and includes a section of poetry from LA Goal; and she read a sample poem.

Jim Suhr, Culver Studios, discussed entitlement approvals; indicated that he wanted to open up a line of communication with the Committee; discussed consistency with the Americans with Disabilities Act; looking beyond the property and immediate right of way on the project side of the street to a broader sense of how projects can address and help to improve accessibility for the entire community; and he indicated that he was available to address any questions or concerns.

Discussion ensued between Committee Members and the speaker regarding a suggestion that Mr. Suhr make a presentation on their proposal to the Committee; the nature of the project; access to public transportation; public access to the studio; public sidewalks; accessibility ramps; the mobility fund contribution; and microtransit.

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Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda

Chair Shery invited public comment.

No cards were received and no members came forward.

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Receipt of Correspondence

None.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 13, 2017

MOVED BY MEMBER SOOKNE, SECONDED BY MEMBER TENENSAP AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 13, 2017 (ABSENT MEMBERS EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, HASEGAWA AND NAING).

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Action Items

Item A-1

Distribution of Senior Center 2018 Parking Passes

2018 Senior Center parking passes were distributed.

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Item A-2

Review of 2018 Meeting Schedule

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding a staff request to meet in March for comment on the 2018-2019 City budget; the ability to hold a special meeting; determining whether an April meeting would be necessary at the March meeting; keeping the agenda limited to the budget item for March; and meeting time.

MOVED BY MEMBER OSBOURNE, SECONDED BY MEMBER TENENSAP AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING ON MARCH 7, 2018 (ABSENT MEMBERS EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, HASEGAWA AND NAING.

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Item A-3

Ad Hoc Subcommittee Report and Planning for Disability Film Series Event

Chair Shery noted that subcommittee members were not present and he provided background on previous Disability Film series events for Disability Awareness month.

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Item A-4

Review of Carnival 2017

John Adams, Disability Services Specialist, asked for feedback on how to improve the Disability Carnival for 2018.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding incorporating activities for older adults; broadening the scope of the event; engaging different vendors; renaming the event to reflect the broader reach; adults currently served by the Carnival; making the Carnival more inclusive; suggestions for different names; emphasizing resources available by calling it a Resource Fair; choosing a positive name; encouraging more people to come; eliminating confusion; behavior issues; ensuring that volunteers and participants feel supported; adding a friendly reminder on expectations and standards for the event; staff intervention; wristbands; seniors who thought the event was for them; the open nature of the event; requiring registration in the future; photo waivers; the Senior Center Newsletter; ensuring that the focus on children is not lost; outreach to schools; inclusion of special education classes from the Los Angeles Unified School District; clarification that the focus on children would not be reduced but that changes were sought to provide additional opportunities; nonprofits that provide direct services; expanding the scope of the Carnival; a suggestion that Committee Members submit email suggestions to rename the Carnival for consideration at the special meeting in March; clarification that thank you letters were sent out to donors; evaluation and updating of games; budget suggestions and clarification that there is no direct funding for the event beyond staffing and the

facility; continuing to have therapy dogs at the event; the art show from LA Goal as a the tie in between the kids and older adults; and the wish of some of the Girl Scouts to develop some new games.

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Items from Disability Advisory Committee Members

Member Tenensap noted the lack of disabled parking by the library for those with disability issues.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the need for a decal.

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Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda

Chair Shery invited public comment.

Bridget Grey, physical therapist, noted that the handicapped parking zones are far from the library entrance and she suggested that there be parking spaces right in front of the entrance to the library.

Discussion ensued between the speaker, staff, and Committee Members regarding previous requests for disabled parking spots by the entrance to the library; clarification that the desire is for a parking space on the public right of way on the street; clarification that with a handicapped placard, one can park in loading zones for an extended period of time and not risk a ticket; staff agreement to research the process for creating a blue zone at that location; and staff requested contact information from Ms. Grey.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 7:17 P.M., the Disability Advisory Committee adjourned its meeting to a special meeting on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 6:30 P.M. in the Senior Center Conference Room.

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John Adams
SECRETARY of the Culver City Disability Advisory Committee
Culver City, California

APPROVED

Dr. Jay Shery
CHAIR of the Disability Advisory Committee, Culver City, California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.

Jeremy Green
CITY CLERK

24 APR 2018
Date