



Commission on Disability
FINAL MINUTES
Special Meeting

Commission on Disability
1947 Center St.
Multipurpose Room
Berkeley, CA 94704

Wednesday
8/21/2019
6:30 PM

A. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

- 1) Call to Order by Chair Ghenis at 6:30 PM
- 2) Roll Call by Secretary: LOA: Singer, Present: Leeder, Weiss, Ramirez, Ghenis, Walsh, Smith
- 3) Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda. (Up to 3 minutes per speaker)
- 4) Approval of Draft Action Minutes of July 10, 2019* Approved as amended (Leeder/Walsh, all ayes)
- 5) Staff Update.
- 6) Approval and Order of Agenda (Weiss, Walsh, all ayes)

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

The public may speak at the beginning of any item.
(Comments may be limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

Commission will take a 5 minute break around 8pm

1. Meeting logistics and related concerns.

Clarify that all concerns have been addressed; note if there are any ongoing barriers, and what barriers are; progress as needed. (5 minutes / Ghenis)

Weiss asked it be noted that the Security Guard was not there when some Commissioners arrived after six. It seems she stepped away for ten minutes. Secretary will follow up with appropriate staff.

2. San Pablo Avenue Plan. Discussion and update.**

(20 minutes/COD)

Discussion. No action taken.

3. Service Animals Welcome. (10 minutes/ Weiss)

Discussion. No action taken.

4. Adeline Plan. Discussion and update (10 minutes/COD)

No update. No action taken.

5. Access Line Item in Council Templates. Discussion and update. (5 minutes/COD)

Discussion. No action taken.

6. Elevator Ordinance. Discussion and update. (5 minutes/COD)*

Discussion. No action taken.

7. Town Hall. Disability Town Hall will occur in place of

regularly-scheduled October meeting. Discussion and Update (15 minutes / Ghenis) Discussion. No action taken.

8. New Construction and Renovations – Accessibility Guidelines and Regulations** (10 minutes/ Ghenis)

Develop comprehensive framework for accessibility in new construction and/or renovations. Discussion of Council item.

No action taken.

9. Photos for Navigable Cities Item. Discuss photos for Navigable Cities item. (5 minutes/COD)*

Image Description of Photos in Agenda Packet: #1 No bikes on sidewalk printed above curb cut in small letters, #2 cracked uneven sidewalk #3 bikes close to the edge of the curb on the sidewalk tied to a sign. Car next to the bikes unable to open passenger door.

No action taken.

10. Announcements

Weiss-ADA Update Conference (9/9 and 9/10) and Abilities Expo are upcoming

Walsh- BDPNN has events, is interested in working with the Commission, she is on regular calls with Marcie Roth and FEMA, let her know if you want to join.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS AND SUBCOMMITTEE

REPORTS

1. Peace and Justice Commission Subcommittee on

the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities- Update on activity or projects of this subcommittee since last meeting. (5 minutes / Walsh & Weiss) Annual event is being planned for April 2020. Need more people since Weiss resigned.

D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (from adopted work plan, referrals, etc.)

Navigable Cities Items

- **Construction issues**
- **Portable signs**
- **Photo survey**

Service Animals Welcome

Elevator ordinance

Access line item in Council templates

E. ADJOURNMENT: 9:30 pm (Leeder/Smith, all ayes)

Agenda Posted: 8/15/2019

- * Indicates written material included in packet.
- ** Indicates material to be delivered at meeting.
- *** Indicates material previously mailed.

A complete agenda packet is available for public

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