

## **Commission on Disability**

# Minutes re January 10, 2024 Meeting

## **Preliminary Matters:**

- 1. Call to Order at 5:04pm
- 2. Land acknowledgment read aloud recognizing Berkeley as the ancestral, unceded home of the Ohlone People
- 3. Roll Call

Present: Chair Fischer, Vice-Chair Walsh, Commissioner Pugh, Commissioner

Sun, Commissioner Lewkowicz, and Commissioner De La Paz

Absent: Commissioner Marrero

Staff Present: Thomas Gregory and Guillermo Campos

Presenter: Tyler Hawes (of CivicBell)

Members of the public: none

- 4. Public Comments: none
- **5.** Approval of prior meeting's draft minutes

"...to approve the November2023 minutes as drafted."

Moved by: Chair Fischer; seconded by Commissioner Sun.

Yeas: 5. Nays: none. Abstentions: 1.

Motion passes.

- 6. Approval and Order of Agenda
  - "...to approve the order of tonight's agenda."

Moved by: Chair Fischer; seconded by Commissioner Lewkowicz.

Yeas: unanimous. Motion passes.

## **Commissioner Reports/Announcements:**

- **7.** Welcome and introductions among newly appointed Commissioner De La Paz and the other Commissioners present
- **8.** Preview of process for the election of Commission officers, which is planned to occur at the February2024 meeting

## **Staff Updates:**

- 9. Log of Access Complaints
- **10.** Overview of ADA Coordinator designation and announcement of recently hired Interim Director of Public Works
- **11.** Email and voicemail messages to Commission from constituents

#### Presentations:

12. Tyler Hawes, of CivicBell, re Virtual Speaker Cards

#### **Discussion/Action Items:**

- **13.** Accessibility of speakers' lectern at City Council & BUSD meetings: consensus among Commissioners present that the Chair should follow up as desired with CM Hahn's office re this matter, which was brought to the Commission's attention directly by CM Hahn's office
- 14. Work Plan Updates and Developments:
  - a. Priorities reviewed.
  - b. Establishment of subcommittees discussed.
  - c. Discussion of scheduling of future presentations to advance Work Plan priorities.
- **15.** NBSC Dining Room or NBSC Lounge what is the CoD-preferred meeting room?

Consensus among Commissioners present that they will consider this question and, during the February2024 public meeting, will likely decide on their preferred venue for post-February public meetings.

# **Adjournment** (at 7:35pm):

"...to adjourn tonight's meeting."

Moved by: Commissioner Lewkowicz; seconded by Commissioner Sun.

Yeas: unanimous. Motion passes.

Minutes Approved by CoD vote on: 2/14/24	
Thomas Gregory	

Thomas Gregory, Secretary to the Commission on Disability