

City of Oakland
Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)
Monday, March 18, 2024
5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Hearing Room 1, First Floor
One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza (City Hall), Oakland, CA 94612

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Commission staff: Anh Nguyen-ADA Programs Division Manager, Mark Romoser-ADA Program Analyst I

Agenda

5:30 1. In-person meeting logistics and rules

2. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum
- 5:35 3. Open Forum

Any person may directly address the Commission on any items within the jurisdiction of this Commission not on the agenda for today. Speakers wishing to address a specific item on the agenda may do so when invited at the time the item is being considered. There is no discussion allowed during Open Forum. Please raise your hand if you wish to comment and wait to be called on.

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All discussion topics are first opened to MCPD commissioners for comment and then for public comment, unless otherwise stated. Staff will read any e-comments that were submitted.
- 5:45 4. Agenda Modification

MCPD Commissioners may move around the agenda items to better conduct the meeting.
5. Approval of December 2023 Minutes (**Exhibit A**)
Approval of January 2024 Minutes (**Exhibit B**)
Approval of February 2024 Minutes (**Exhibit C**)
- 5:50 6. Commissioner's Announcements

Commissioners will provide brief updates on their activities and make announcements relevant to the commission and the Strategic goals of the Commission. *There is no discussion during announcements.*
- 6:00 7. AC Transit: Transit Supportive Design Guidelines by Crystal Wang (**Exhibit D**)
- 6:20 8. Transport Oakland: Community Quick-Build Traffic Calming Pilots by Ajah Burts (**Exhibit E**)
- 6:40 9. MCPD Strategic Planning 2024 (**Exhibit F**)

- 7:00 10. Staff Updates and Announcements
Anh Nguyen, ADA Programs Division Manager

Future Agenda Items

Staff will briefly update on agenda items for upcoming meetings.

See MCPD scheduler at tinyurl.com/MCPD-AgendaPlanner.
Suggestions for future agenda items are also welcome; email adaprograms@oaklandca.gov for suggestions.

- 7:10 11. Adjournment
(Meeting shall end no later than 7:30 p.m., unless extended by majority vote of the Commission.)

Note: The Commission May Take Action on Any Item on the Agenda

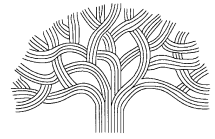
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Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)

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Minutes

Commissioners: Cathy Eberhardt (Acting Chair), Noah Smith (Acting Vice Chair), Ayanna Keeton, Marjorie Lynne, Fatimah Aure, Barry Robinson, Linda St. Julian, Anwar Baroudi, Benjamin Bartu

Commission staff: Anh Nguyen-ADA Programs Division Manager, Mark Romoser-ADA Programs Division Program Analyst I

Presenters: Britney Davis and Asha Reed, City Clerk's Office

Other attendees: Angel Lin, Jestin Johnson, Howard Ekundayo

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Exhibit A

Roll Call

- At roll call, quorum was established with six of nine commissioners present (X).

Commissioners	Present (x)
Cathy Eberhardt (Chair)	X
Noah Smith (Vice Chair)	X
Ayanna Keeton	Absent
Marjorie Lynne	X
Linda St. Julian	X
Fatimah Aure	Absent (excused)
Barry Robinson	Absent (excused)
Anwar Baroudi	X
Benjamin Bartu	X

Open Forum:

- Lenore Gunst from the Mayor's Commission on Aging gave a report. There is funding for two vacant positions in Adult and Aging Services, and another position has been filled starting in January. New commissioners came on board, but another resigned. Council President Bas is running for supervisor. Some meetings will be held in the four senior centers, starting in Feb. at the East Oakland Senior Center. They hosted a delegation of legislative aides and budget and program analysts from the legislature, sponsored by AARP. They went to Berkeley, Fremont, and Oakland. It was held at North Oakland Senior Center. They also have a communications platform two-year pilot funded by the sugar-sweetened beverage tax. Partner sites include Unity Council and the city. With this platform, they can push information out to seniors who aren't members of the senior centers. The platform will be run by 211 (Eden I&R). Sen. Atkins' office, Senate Human Services, Asm. Quirk-Silva, Senate Republican Caucus attended. Next meeting 2/7 at East Oakland Senior Center. Regarding a complaint about AC Transit: should we be more proactive? The Realign Project has not sought any input from us. There will be a January meeting at City Hall, and Older Americans Day in August

Exhibit A

Approval Of Minutes

- Acting Chair Eberhardt called for a motion to approve the October and November 2023 minutes. Motion made by Lynne, seconded by Baroudi. Chair called for a vote. The vote was 6 aye, 0 nay. The minutes were approved.

Commissioner's Announcements

- Commissioner Lynne asked why we couldn't have offsite meetings like MCOA will be having. Commissioner Bartu asked if some members could participate remotely. Anh Nguyen replied that the offsite MCOA meetings were still in-person meetings, and that the requirements of AB 2449 applied to remote participation.
- Commissioner Baroudi mentioned that an interagency meeting was held between AC Transit and City Council about pedestrian safety along International Blvd. There are new guidelines about transit boarding islands, which can be designed better for people with disabilities. There were presentations from DOT about 7th St., Broadway, and MLK designs. Traffic calming projects are on the council agenda for December 19.

Election Of Officers

- Mr. Nguyen called for nominations. Acting Chair Eberhardt nominated Commissioner Baroudi for chair. He accepted. The vote was 6-0 in favor. For vice chair, Acting Chair Eberhardt nominated Commissioner Bartu. He accepted. Acting Vice Chair Smith nominated Commissioners Bartu and St. Julian as co-vice chairs. Commissioner St. Julian declined. The vote on Bartu's nomination was 6-0 in favor.

2024 Meeting Calendar

- A draft calendar was circulated. January and February 2024 are special meetings due to holidays. January and April 2024 meetings have been moved to Hearing Room 2. Commissioner Baroudi moved to accept the calendar. Acting Vice Chair Smith seconded. The vote was 6-0 to accept the calendar.

Ad Hoc Committee to Explore Hybrid Meetings

- Acting Vice Chair Smith stated that he had been doing advocacy around hybrid meetings. In-person meetings have been required for almost a year. He had been working with Commissioner O'Malley, who resigned. A draft letter to send to governor, state senate, and city officials has been prepared. The committee will need to finish drafting the letter and send it out. Commissioner Baroudi moved to create the committee. Acting Chair Eberhardt seconded. The vote was 6-0. The committee was created.

Form 700 Training

- Britney Davis from the City Clerk's office gave her presentation. She was joined by City Clerk Asha Reed for Q&A.
- Acting Chair Eberhardt asked what the annual statement was. Ms. Reed explained.
- Commissioner St. Julian asked if she had to refile. Ms. Reed was not sure.
- Commissioner Baroudi asked about amendments. Ms. Reed explained that they were for errors.
- Commissioner St. Julian asked about trusts. Ms. Davis explained that trusts were covered under Schedule A-2.
- Acting Chair Eberhardt emailed the Public Ethics Commission, who said that it was only due every two years. In the past, she got a message from the Public Ethics Commission to file. Ms. Reed explained that the PEC is not the filing agency, and that the annual filing is due in April.
- Commissioner Lynne asked about taking the Form 700 class twice. Ms. Davis said no.
- Commissioner St. Julian asked about redoing a trust. Ms. Reed replied that the clerk's office is not allowed to give advice, and that a new trust would be filed the following year.

Exhibit A

Strategic Planning

- Mr. Nguyen gave the presentation.
- Commissioner Bartu asked about CARE courts. Acting Vice Chair Smith replied that that was why we had Goal 5, Civil Liberties.
- Commissioner Lynne said that “request information from city administrator” seems vague. She asked if we had clean air centers for people with disabilities, and if there were shelters being built for environmental disaster. If so, are they accessible? In new construction, what’s being done to promote air quality?
- Acting Vice Chair Smith mentioned a report on who within the city has completed training on emergency respite centers.
- Acting Vice Chair Smith: What about funding for ADA Division? Anh: Some resources have been allocated, but we still need funding for auxiliary aids and services.
- Commissioner Baroudi asked if Mr. Nguyen was comfortable with staffing levels, and what would he like to see happen that we don’t have funding for ADA Division. Mr. Nguyen replied that could be covered in a future presentation.
- Commissioner Baroudi declared that he is interested in traffic safety. DOT is a stakeholder in terms of building design, as are the public works and public safety committees on council. We should continue asking for presentations from the city when street redesigns are happening, and improve how we consider pedestrians, paratransit, etc. People with disabilities’ views should be considered.
- Acting Vice Chair Smith noted that we did get an update on the ADA rent control case, but we should continue to consult with the city attorney regarding a settlement and their overall stance on the case.
- Commissioner Baroudi asked if goals 1 and 5 could be combined.
- Commissioner Bartu volunteered for goal areas 1 and 5, and maybe 4.

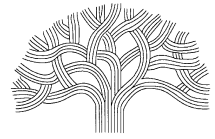
Exhibit A

- Member of the public Angel Lin mentioned that she has worked in accessibility in higher ed for 4 years, and asked how these 5 priorities were made. Mr. Nguyen replied that this was led by Andrea Mariano over a series of monthly MCPD meetings. Due to quorum issues, MCPD could not approve the draft plan. Some steps have been taken, including the elevator ordinance and the Smith case. There has been both commissioner and community input.
- Commissioner Lynne told Ms. Lin that MCPD could use her as a commissioner.

Staff Updates and Announcements

- Mr. Romoser read the staff announcements.

Acting Chair Eberhardt called for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Commissioner Lynne, seconded by Commissioner Baroudi, and approved 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05.



City of Oakland

Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)
Monday, January 22, 2024 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Hearing Room 2, First Floor
One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza (City Hall), Oakland, CA 94612

Minutes

Commissioners: Anwar Baroudi (Chair), Benjamin Bartu (Vice Chair), Noah Smith, Marjorie Lynne, Fatimah Aure, Barry Robinson, Linda St. Julian

Commission staff: Anh Nguyen-ADA Programs Division Manager, Mark Romoser-ADA Programs Division Program Analyst I

Presenters: Lenore Gunst, Mayor's Commission on Aging

Other attendees: Rachel Osajima, Linda Stevens, Thomas Cloyd

Attendees on Zoom: Emilie Tham, Judith, Sheela Gunn

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Exhibit B

Roll Call

- At roll call, quorum was not established with four of seven commissioners present (X).

Commissioners	Present (x)
Anwar Baroudi (Chair)	X
Benjamin Bartu (Vice Chair)	X
Noah Smith	Absent (excused)
Marjorie Lynne	X
Linda St. Julian	Absent
Fatimah Aure	Absent (excused)
Barry Robinson	X

Open Forum: Rachel Osajima spoke about a Caltrans project, a bike and pedestrian overpass in the Montclair area over Hwy. 13 and Moraga Ave. Caltrans was to rebuild it as a pedestrian/bike crossing, but now intends to demolish it. When Hwy. 13 was built in 1956, an overpass was built, but with steep stairs that are not accessible. It is a safe route to Montclair Elementary School. Rachel requests that MCPD assist her and neighbors in getting the overpass built. The city would need to sign off on roadway improvements. Caltrans has a long history of poor community engagement. We should communicate to the mayor's office that the overpass is needed. We should add Caltrans to the list of stakeholders for Goal 3. There are also environmental impacts. She has letters from the principal of Montclair Elementary School, Councilmember Ramachandran, and others.

Approval Of Minutes

- Minutes could not be approved due to lack of quorum.

Commissioner's Announcements

- Chair Baroudi has been working on DOT's Upper Telegraph project and asks that we fill out DOT's survey.

Communications Platform Pilot

- Lenore Gunst from the Mayor's Commission on Aging gave her presentation.

Exhibit B

- Chair Baroudi asked what form the platform will take. Ms. Gunst replies that it is phone (211) and email, not a website.
- Comm. Lynne asks about an online portal to register. Ms. Gunst replied that that's being decided. Comm. Lynne asked if there's a feature to connect to various city departments and how they intend to publicize the platform (social media). Also, push notifications for road closures, parking restrictions, etc. She asks if this is being built from scratch or are copying other cities. Ms. Gunst replied that 211 will be doing that, and that it's a national model. Comm. Lynne mentioned air purifiers during fire season as an example of something for which notifications would be helpful.
- Comm. Robinson suggested direct mail for outreach. He asked about paratransit and Lyft rides. He mentioned Little House in Menlo Park, which offers rides for a \$7 fee, but that in Oakland, paratransit is user-unfriendly. Ms. Gunst replied that some MCOA meetings will be offsite, so transportation options will be needed. Comm. Lynne returned to the idea of contacting city departments. She suggests an app. Comm. Robinson mentioned that Oakland rides must be scheduled a week in advance.
- Chair Baroudi asked about the security of the data. Ms. Gunst replied that all data will be handled by Eden I&R and that HIPAA prevents partners from disclosing sensitive data.

Strategic Planning

- Anh Nguyen gave the presentation.
- Vice Chair Bartu asked about signing up. Mr. Nguyen replied that this was a good time. Vice Chair Bartu volunteered for Goal 1.
- Member of the public Thomas Cloyd mentioned that two apartment buildings he's lived in have no plan for evacuating PWDs, and that such a plan needs to be communicated to residents. Comm. Lynne asked if there was a registry with the local fire station.
- Mr. Cloyd volunteered for Goal 3.

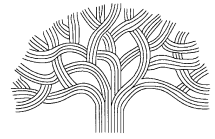
Exhibit B

- Ms. Osajima proposed to add Caltrans to the list of stakeholders, and wants us to look for other proposals for overpasses. There was a maintenance project on the nearby LaSalle St. overpass, and the sidewalks are narrow and difficult to navigate. There is an opportunity for Caltrans to add access to maintenance projects. Caltrans is proposing street improvements in place of the overpass. This is not a comprehensive project. Chair Baroudi wants us to develop a working relationship with Caltrans. Projects on Caltrans streets like International can get complicated. Comm. Robinson mentioned that sidewalks on streets in San Antonio like Foothill are even narrower, such as an alley between International and E. 15th.
- Comm. Lynne noted that commissioners can choose more than one goal area. Vice Chair Bartu volunteered for Goal 4. Chair Baroudi asked for an update on *Smith v. Oakland*.
- Vice Chair Bartu and Chair Baroudi volunteered for Goal 5.
- Ms. Osajima mentioned that Oakland Parks, Recreation, and Youth Development is not mentioned as a stakeholder; the overpass leads to Montclair Park. The other side of the park has an old stairway. She asked if there is a regular report to the City Administrator's Office. She mentioned the use of acronyms and recommends spelling it out.
- Comm. Robinson mentioned that Public Works is not listed as a stakeholder in Goal 2.
- Mr. Nguyen mentioned that we couldn't adopt the plan due to lack of quorum.
- Chair Baroudi asked about agendizing Ms. Osajima's Caltrans concerns.

Staff Updates and Announcements

- Mr. Nguyen and Mr. Romoser read the staff announcements.

Chair Baroudi called for a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:01.



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Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)
Monday, February 26, 2024 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Hearing Room 1, First Floor
One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza (City Hall), Oakland, CA 94612

Minutes

Commissioners: Anwar Baroudi (Chair), Benjamin Bartu (Vice Chair), Noah Smith, Marjorie Lynne, Fatimah Aure, Barry Robinson, Linda St. Julian, Thomas Cloyd, Linda Stevens

Commission staff: Anh Nguyen-ADA Programs Division Manager, Mark Romoser-ADA Programs Division Program Analyst I

Presenters: Joanna Winter and Michelle Matranga, OakDOT
Marchelle Huggins, Housing and Community Development
Cathy DeLuca, OakDOT

Other attendees: Monica Davis, Kaitlin Roh, Raven Foote, Andrea Mok, Sheela Gunn

Attendees on Zoom: Brittaney Creswell, Kevy Patricio

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Chair Baroudi called the meeting to order at 5:36.

Roll Call

- At roll call, quorum was not established with five of nine commissioners present (X).

Commissioners	Present (x)
Anwar Baroudi (Chair)	X
Benjamin Bartu (Vice Chair)	X
Noah Smith	Absent (excused)
Marjorie Lynne	Absent (excused)
Linda St. Julian	X (arrived 5:50)
Fatimah Aure	X
Barry Robinson	Absent
Thomas Cloyd	X
Linda Stevens	X

Open Forum: Deputy city administrator Monica Davis introduced herself and noted that part of her job is to oversee boards and commissions such as MCPD.

Approval Of Minutes

- Minutes could not be approved due to lack of quorum.

Commissioner's Announcements

- Commissioners Cloyd and Stevens introduced themselves.
- Chair Baroudi said that he had been following the Upper Telegraph project. He also mentioned a traffic safety workshop in West Oakland.
- Vice Chair Bartu spoke about Proposition 1, a state ballot measure that would change the way mental health funding is distributed.

Downtown Oakland Specific Plan and Universal Design

- Joanna Winter and Michelle Matranga from OakDOT gave their presentation.

Exhibit C

- Commissioner St. Julian arrived at 5:50.
- Commissioner Cloyd asked three questions: What is the definition of disability and of universal design? Do you have success measures for these projects? How can we partner with you? He suggested that it should start with mobility. Sidewalks and curbs are often not accessible. Ms. Winter said she did not have definitions but has worked with ADA Programs Division and conducted a survey. She has no definition of universal design or success measures yet for specific policies. As for partnering, they will be bringing programs to MCPD.
- Chair Baroudi asked about impact fees funding services. Ms. Winter mentioned three impact fees, which are not meant to fund existing services but to address the impacts of new development (affordable housing, transportation, other capital improvements). He then asked about the timeline for the plan and zoning amendments. Ms. Winter said the plan would be published in a month or so, planning commission around May, adopted by council before summer recess. Baroudi asked if the draft and zoning amendments be unveiled at the meeting? Winter: zoning amendments about a month after. Baroudi: Will this interact with Vision 980? Winter: We interact with DOT and Caltrans. Baroudi: Renderings of Victory Court and other projects are speculative? Winter: Those are examples of what could be developed there. There are no specific plans yet. Baroudi: Stricter standards for accessibility on new designs? Winter: We've heard ideas like visitability.
- Member of the public Sheela Gunn works for TheCIL. Their first question was about the need for a strong assurance that the ADA will be a floor and not a ceiling, and that that commitment will not be eroded. On playgrounds, they asked if Ms. Winter had spoken with The Looking Glass at Ed Roberts Campus, and added that when talking about transportation, please put in info boxes with speech. They need descriptions of maps. Plazas like Frank Ogawa are nightmares. Straight paths are better. Ms. Winter agreed with the ADA as a floor and with Looking Glass, and said that the other comments will be passed on to DOT.
- Commissioner Stevens left at 6:25.

Exhibit C

Residential Lending Programs

- Marchelle Huggins from Housing and Community Development gave her presentation.
- Commissioner St. Julian asked what program this was. Ms. Huggins replied that it was a city program but that they partner with agencies like Habitat. Are they grants or loans? Huggins: Two loan and three grant programs. St. Julian is having a problem with one of her buildings. Discussion of lead abatement.
- Chair Baroudi noted that sidewalks are the responsibility of homeowners. He asked which program sidewalk repair would fall under. Ms. Huggins replied Access improvement. Chair Baroudi asked about renters. Ms. Huggins said that the landlord would consent to the repairs.
- Ms. Huggins returned to her presentation.
- Member of the public Sheela Gunn said that they were in Section 8 and was curious about grab bars and similar access improvements. Commissioner St. Julian suggested contacting the landlord. Ms. Huggins said that those were eligible for the Access Improvement Program with landlord's consent. Commissioner St. Julian asked about interest rates. Ms. Huggins replied they were 0-3%, and that the loan was not due until property is sold.

Upper Telegraph Project

- Cathy DeLuca gave her presentation.
- Commissioner St. Julian mentioned that all the parking on Shattuck is gone, making it difficult to get to local stores. She did not want to see that on Telegraph.
- Chair Baroudi asked how much space is needed for bus boarding islands: Ms. DeLuca said that we don't have specific measurements yet. Chair Baroudi said that the ramp on the bus has to fit. They should be at least 6 feet. Bus lanes would serve as a right-turn lane. Bus-only lanes are not worth the safety hazards. Will paving

Exhibit C

programs going forward reflect the new daylighting law? Ms. DeLuca replied that the law is new and that they're figuring out how to implement it. The plan is to do it incrementally with projects. This project probably will include them. Chair Baroudi said he was in favor of the plan without bus lanes.

- Commissioner Cloyd mentioned accessible parking, and that it can be difficult to get out with an accessible van. If you're let out directly onto the street, it becomes dangerous. He asked how we get people onto the curb. Ms. DeLuca replied that a senior housing development on Martin Luther King Jr. Way has dedicated paratransit spaces.
- Sheela Gunn said they hate flashing lights at crosswalks. They do nothing. They gave the example of Brookdale and Fruitvale, especially at rush hour. It took people about a year to learn that the flashing light meant stop. They were hit by a car years ago. They never want to stand on a bus island in the middle of a street. The Tempo islands are too narrow as it is. They favor Plan 1, but we're losing our main thoroughfares. They need access to the curb.
- Chair Baroudi asked if there were any preliminary results from the survey. Ms. DeLuca replied that there was an even split between the two options.
- Commissioner St. Julian asked if they were looking to change Telegraph and noted that they've taken all the parking away in Temescal.
- Sheela Gunn noted that bulbouts don't work for blind people.
- Commissioner St. Julian asked if they were going to change Telegraph. Chair Baroudi replied that there would be a quick build for the first phase in June. Ms. DeLuca added that there would be posts surrounding bus lanes.

Strategic Planning

- The strategic plan was tabled due to lack of quorum.

Staff Updates and Announcements

Exhibit C

- Mr. Romoser read the staff announcements.

Future Agenda Items

- Commissioner Cloyd called for better recruiting, better access in City Hall, and mentioned access issues for presenters.
- Chair Baroudi wants to hear back from AC Transit.

Chair Baroudi adjourned the meeting at 7:31.

TRANSIT SUPPORTIVE DESIGN GUIDELINES

Oakland Mayor's Commission on
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March 18, 2024

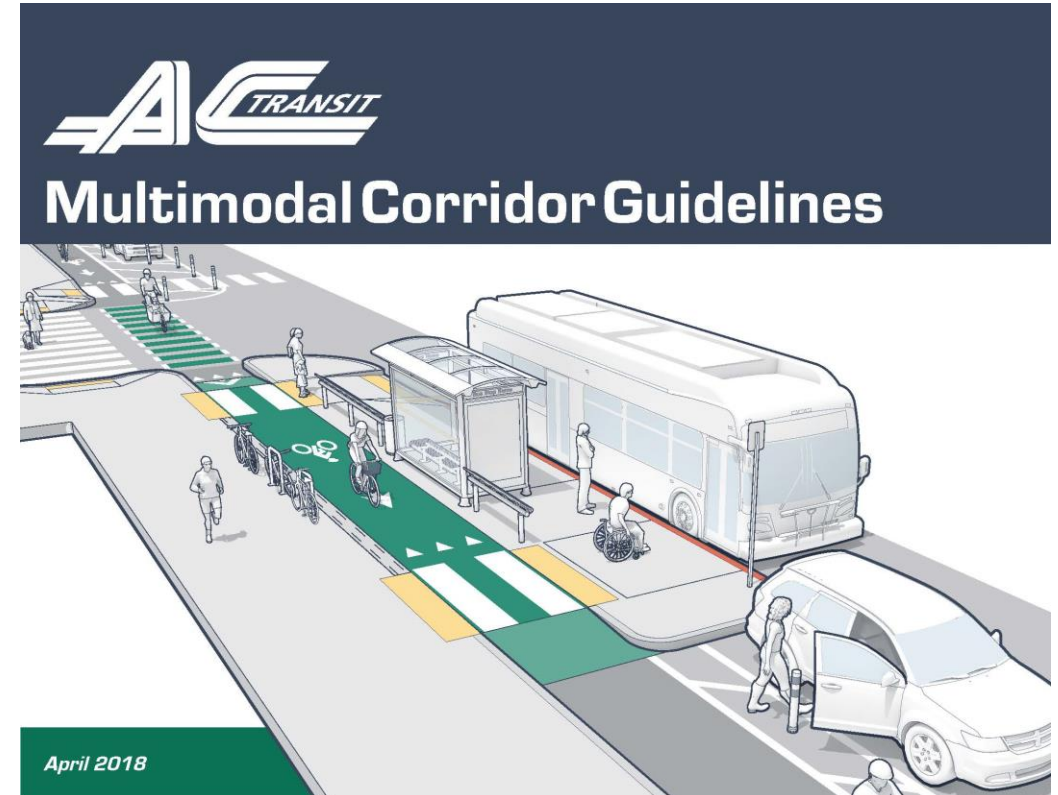
Crystal Wang
Transportation Planner



BACKGROUND



- The 2018 AC Transit Multimodal Corridor Guidelines provided design recommendations for bicycle facilities at bus stops.
- The 2018 guidelines did not address key considerations for paratransit operations and efficient fixed route service.



IMPACT ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES



- People of all ages and abilities use transit (AC Transit, East Bay Paratransit, other transit services).
- The Guidelines will address bus stop design and universal design features that enhance safety and comfort for people accessing and waiting at bus stops.
- For this effort, AC Transit staff is requesting the MCPD's input on the high-level bus stop design recommendations, as well as any comments on people's current experiences accessing and waiting at bus stops.

WHY DO WE NEED NEW GUIDELINES?



	Multimodal Design Guidelines (2018)	Transit Supportive Design Guidelines (2024)
Guidelines that accommodate Paratransit service	No	Yes
Facilities for passenger comfort and safety at bus stops	No	Yes
Transit operations improvements - bus/bike separation	Yes	Yes
Other design features that promote transit service (e.g., layover space)	No	Yes

GUIDELINE ELEMENTS



- Bus stop dimensions and roadway considerations
- Preferred stop locations (based on geometry, intersection control)
- Designs not compatible with transit
- Layover space (size, location, access to restroom etc.)
- Pedestrian access improvements to/from bus stops
- Paratransit operations and needs

EAST BAY PARATRANSIT (EBP) OPERATIONS



- EBP provides curb-to-curb service; door-to-door upon request. EBP vans are 27' long and side-loading.
- EBP vans can stop at:
 - bus stop/paratransit combo stops or paratransit only stops
 - Loading zones
 - Off-street lots with dedicated spaces
 - Bike lanes when accessing a curb space
 - Drive-through driveways
- EBP vans cannot stop at:
 - Driveways (vans are not permitted to back out)
 - Red curbs, including bus stops



BUS STOP DESIGN TYPOLOGY



Curbside with no bikeway present



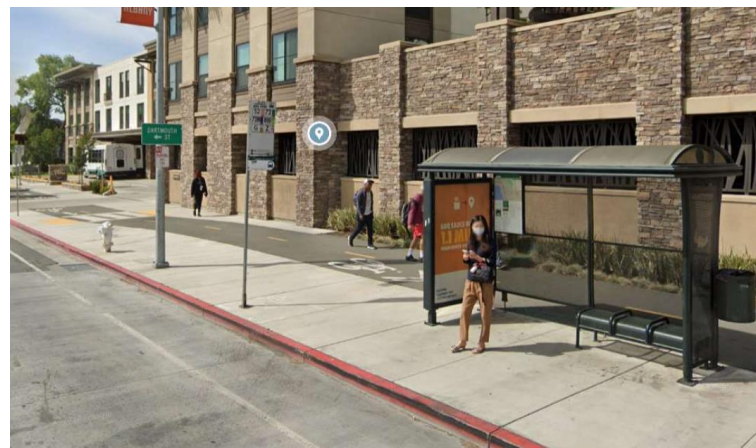
Shared lane with class II bikeway



Floating with roadway-grade bikeway



Floating with raised (sidewalk-level) bikeway



Integrated shared-use path



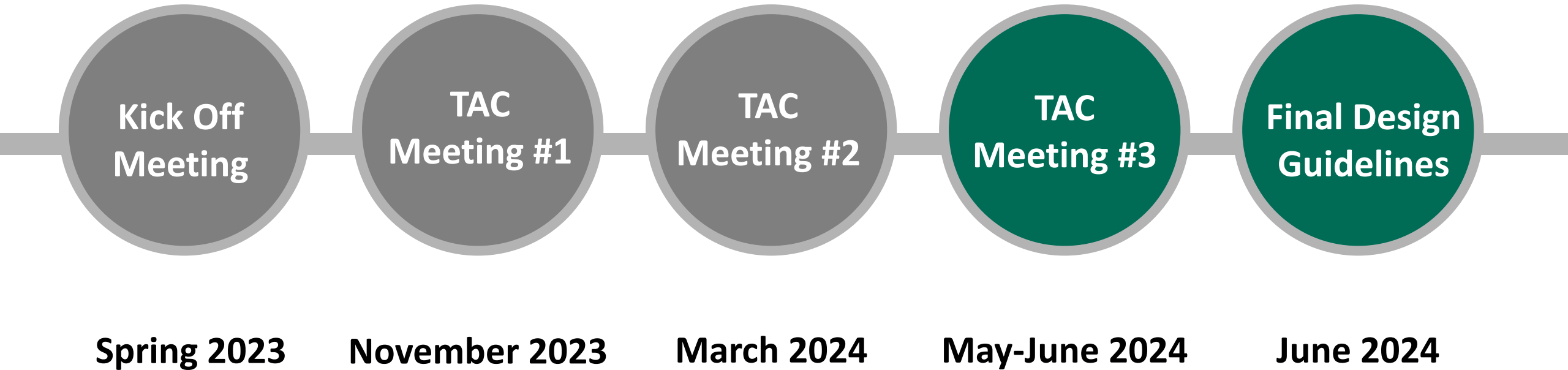
Constrained step-out landing

OUTREACH



- In-reach with AC Transit staff
- AC Transit Board, General Manager's Advisory Committee (GMAC), East Bay Paratransit Access Committee (EBPAC)
- Technical Advisory Committee (comprised of city and jurisdiction staff)
- Presentations at Interagency Liaison Committees (ILCs)
- Presentations to Transportation Commissions
- Presentations to Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committees
- Presentations to Commissions on Persons with Disabilities and Commissions on Aging

PROJECT TIMELINE



Community Quick-Build Traffic Calming Pilots

**Transport
Oakland;
Ajah Burts
March 18th, 2024**

Project Origin

- Broadway street-calming pop-up demonstration at Oakland Tech, May 17 - 18, 2023
- OT Student hit by vehicle on Broadway March 23, 2023
- Collaborative WOBO & Oakland Tech response



Crosswalk on Broadway reduced to one lane using cones and flexposts

Project Origin (cont.)

- Two full-day traffic calming pilot demonstration
- Extra speedway lane removed to design for calm passage through school zone



Crosswalk on Broadway reduced to one lane using cones and flexposts

Goals:

- Engage neighborhood around creative solutions for creating a safe public right-of-way
- Take community action to respond to a serious traffic collision
- Listen to the wants and needs of students and community members, especially those using alternative forms of transportation



WOBO Broadway Project:

- Drafted site plan and set pilot date
- Special Event Permit application
- Neighborhood outreach/ publicity
- Volunteer Recruitment
- Installation



Transport Oakland's ask:

Allow community groups to create quick, ambitious projects to address acute street safety concerns

Decorative Bulb-outs



Shafter Ave, Oakland
Example of bulbout using
wide flexposts



Washington D.C.
Intersection corner
has flexposts that
prevent sharp turns

Traffic Circles



Dividers and flexposts
arranged as a makeshift
traffic circle

Richmond, CA

Traffic Circles

Hay bales arranged in
a circle



Livingston, MT

Lane Diversions / Reallocations

Zebra dividers and flexposts used to block off the rightmost lane



Berkeley, CA

Pinch points



Two sets of flexposts in pairing arranged in opposite facing bracket shapes which create a pinch point

Portland, OR

Chicanes



Zebra dividers and paint arranged such that cars have to slowly weave around them

Portland, OR

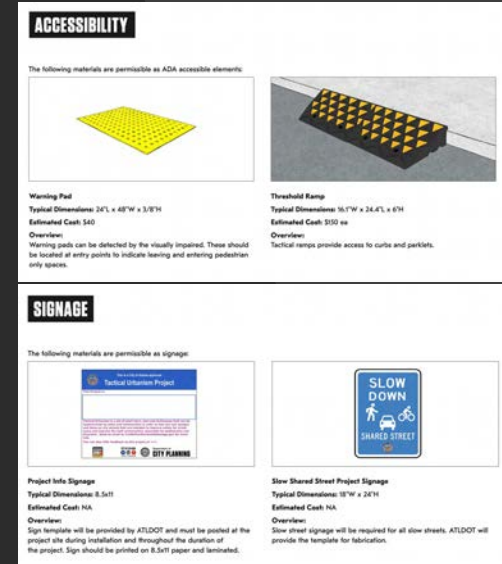
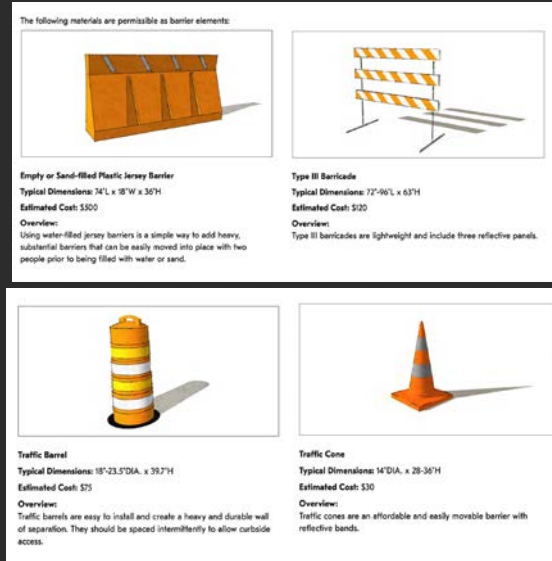
Key aspects for Oakland's pilot program:

- Progressive design toolkit
 - Prioritizes pedestrian safety and allows pilots that slow down cars, a proven safety feature
- Minimal insurance requirements - especially for projects designed to slow vehicles
- Include sturdy materials, designed to be flexible as a project layout morphs
- Short (5-10 day) turn-around times

Toolkit of pre-approved materials:

Exhibit E

- Flex posts
- Wheel stops
- Planters
- Bollards
- K-rail
- Decorated barricades
- Zebra dividers
- In-street signage



Above: pictures and descriptions of various traffic calming tools

Left: two people painting new barricades used to make a parklet

Standard configurations for:

Exhibit E

- intersection bulb-outs / curb extensions
- modal filters
- lane reallocation
- traffic circles
- chicanes
- slip-lane removal
- double-right-turn removal
- diagonal diverters
- widened pedestrian zones
- Parking removal for line-of-sight restoration



**Curb
Extension**



**Demonstration
Bike/LIT Lanes**



**Lane
Narrowing**



**Slow Shared
Street**



**Slip Lane
Closure**



**Walk Lane
Closure**

Example toolkit, excerpt from Atlanta

Atlanta's similar program lists a number of different traffic calming options, including:

- Recommended materials
- Standard dimensions and measurements
- Example plan documents

3 LANE NARROWING

MATERIAL OPTIONS

Striping

Acceptable striping for **Demonstration** installations include:

- Traffic tape
- Striping chalk
- Striping spray paint

Acceptable striping for **Pilot** installations include:

- Traffic paint with reflective beads
- Thermoplastic traffic striping

Vertical Barriers with Reflective Bands

Acceptable barriers for **Demonstration** installations include:

- Traffic cones (up to one week only)
- Traffic barrels
- Planters
- Empty or sand-filled jersey barriers

Acceptable barriers for **Pilot** installations include:

- Wheel stops
- Flex posts
- Sand-filled jersey barriers
- Concrete barriers
- Planters

OPTIONAL ENHANCEMENTS

The following enhancements are permissible in **Pilot** installations only, but not required:

- Pedestrian space art

Example Pilot Timeline

- Day 0: Identify street with critical traffic safety need
- Day 1: Community to follow toolkit to draft a site plan
- Day 5: Submit site plan and pilot dates to OakDOT
- Day 12: OakDOT to review pilot plan and grant encroachment permit or respond with feedback
- Day 15: Materials installation (signage, temporary street closures if needed, vertical element placement)
- Day 105: OakDOT review for possible extension

Example Pilot Timeline

Exhibit E

Identify street with critical traffic safety need

Community to follow toolkit for drafting a site plan

Submit site plan and expected pilot dates to OakDOT

Materials installation (signage, temporary street closures if needed, vertical element placement)

OakDOT review for possible extension

Day: 0 1 5 12 15 ... 105

Community volunteer recruitment and awareness building

OakDOT to review pilot plan and grant encroachment permit or respond with feedback

Community engagement, maintenance, adjustments, speed data collection

Further Community Engagement:

- Educational posters/flyers explaining the pilot
- Community artwork intentionally doubled as traffic calming features
- Link to online feedback form, to be reviewed after initial trial



Above: bulbout with informational poster attached to the ground

After Initial Pilot Period:

- Continuation of traffic calming if rate of speeding decreases
- Response to proposed adjustments

Data Collection:

- Telraam traffic counts for volume and speed
- Traffic collision data within 20 feet of affected intersections

Considerations for People with Disabilities

- Rapidly adding new infrastructure to the street could create obstacles or hazards for people without a lot of time for them to give input before installation
- Make certain that any design toolkit specifically outlines common issues and ADA standards
- Because they are using flexible and easily movable materials, projects can be quickly changed midway through the pilot period to account for feedback
- This presents an opportunity for more of the general community to learn about accessible design and become advocates going forward

Considerations for People with Disabilities cont.

- Communities comprised mostly of people with disabilities and elders will have a hard time doing their own installations, and care needs to be taken to ensure they aren't left out because of that
- It should be very easy for CBO's to partner with such communities and provide the physical assistance necessary

Potential Pilot Legislation Timeline

- March 23rd 2023: Oakland Tech student hit on Broadway
- May 17-18th 2023: Oakland Tech and WOBO run pilot
- December 19th: City Council passes traffic calming resolution
- April 23rd: OakDOT presents report to Public Works and Transportation committee
- May 7th: Permitting Legislation approved by City Council
- May 17th: First traffic calming pilot project installed

Pilot Legislation Timeline

Exhibit E

Oakland Tech
Student hit on
Broadway

WOBO and Oakland
Tech Pilot lane
reallocation and
Crosswalk

Traffic Calming
Resolutions passed by
City Council

Permitting
legislation
approved by
City Council

Initial traffic
calming pilot
installation

March
23,
2023

May 17 - 18
23, 2023

December
19, 2023

April 23,
2024

May 7,
2024

May 17,
2024

OakDOT presents
report to Public Works
and Transportation
Committee

OakDOT expands
program toolkit options
based on community
input

Thank You!

Exhibit E



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Strategic Planning Process

- In 2023 Citywide training manager Andrea Mariano facilitated planning sessions at several MCPD meetings to develop the plan with MCPD Commissioners and members of the public.
- Five goals were identified: 1) Policing and safety, 2) Environmental impacts and concerns, 3) Accessibility of city programs, services, facilities, and activities, 4) ADA accessible housing, and 5) Civil liberties.
- Commissioners were asked to select one or more of the goals to work on.
- Various actions were developed for each goal area.



Goal Areas



[Goal Area 1]
Policing and
Safety



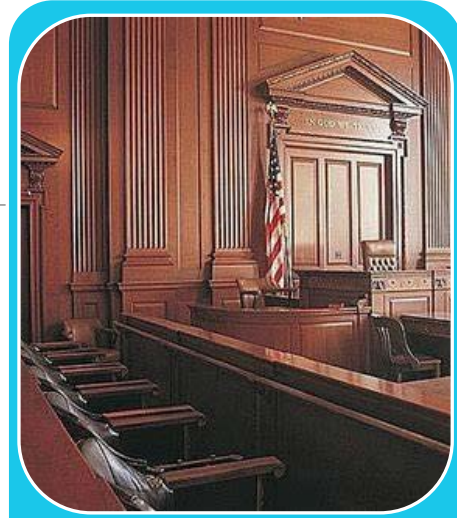
[Goal Area 2]
Environmental
Impacts &
Concerns



[Goal Area 3]
Accessibility of
City Programs



[Goal Area 4]
ADA Accessible
Housing



[Goal Area 5]
Civil Liberties

Goal Area 1: Policing and Safety

Commission lead: Benjamin Bartu, Linda St. Julian

Departmental/City Stakeholders: OPD, CPRA, DVP, OFD (MACRO, ESMD), OIG

Ensuring effective policing and safety for people with disabilities requires proactive measures, including specialized training for law enforcement, accessibility accommodations, and community engagement, to foster an inclusive and secure environment for all.



Goal Area 1.1

This is a deeply intersectional issue: race, poverty, environment, and persons with disabilities (PWDs). PWD inordinately find themselves victims of police violence because of their disabilities.

A 2016 report by Ruderman Family Foundation found that 50% of people killed by police nationally have a disability.

<https://rudermanfoundation.org/media-missing-the-story-half-of-all-recent-high-profile-police-related-killings-are-people-with-disabilities/>



Goal Area 1.1 Actions

- MCPD will continue to provide input and monitor OPD policies and procedures concerning persons with disabilities (PWD).
- MCPD will advocate for Domain 37 training during academy and the availability of Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) for officers.
- MCPD will request a proposal for an annual report regarding the policing of PWD's with regards to: Stop reports, call response, Crisis Intervention Training and Policy and Procedure Updates.

Goal Area 1.2

MCPD will advocate for improved safety services and emergency planning for both the disability community and the general population during times of emergencies and natural disasters.



Goal Area 1.2 Actions

- MCPD will request information from Emergency Services Management Division:
 - CORE Training, are they training with people with disabilities and AFN members? Who are they training? How frequent are the trainings?
 - Report back on planned drills and simulations for the city (EOC). What type of inclusive outreach is happening? How is information being communicated?
 - Possible ongoing staff meeting for PAFN Training? When should the report be completed and presented?

Goal 2: Environmental Impacts & Concerns

Commission Leads: Barry Robinson, Marjorie Lynne

Departmental/City Stakeholders: CAO, ESD, RAP, P&B, NLC, DOT, EMSD, HCD, OPL

Environmental impacts, such as natural disasters, inadequate infrastructure, and harmful infrastructure can disproportionately affect people with disabilities, exacerbating vulnerabilities and necessitating inclusive policies to ensure resilience and equitable access to resources and support.

Goal Area 2.1

Increasingly poor air quality and the need for clean air refuges is a specific concern and a permanent issue going forward. Accessible shelters and transportation to them are critical to community safety.



Goal 2.1 Actions

- Request information from City Administrator.
 - Is there a citywide policy that addresses this issue? How is this enforced?
- MCPD will request information from Public Works, Department of Transportation, and Emergency Management Services Division if these issues are part of their strategic plans or being considered.
- Emergency Management Services Division - Emergency Respite Center Training
 - Informational Report on who has completed the training.

Goal 3: Accessibility of City Programs/Services/Activities/Facilities

Commission Lead: Noah Smith, Anwar Baroudi

Departmental/City Stakeholders: Mayor's office, CAO, DOT, PWA, OFD, AC Transit, BART

The accessibility of city programs, services, activities, and facilities is paramount for fostering an inclusive community, necessitating comprehensive measures to eliminate barriers and ensure equitable participation for individuals of all abilities.



Goal Area 3.1

MCPD to provide input to the City regarding Oakland's ongoing development and implementation of its ADA Transition Plan.

Goal Area 3.1 Actions

- The commission will continue to recommend to the City Council, City staff, and the Mayor's Office the need to maintain and enhance the effectiveness of the ADA Programs Division by restoring and adding funding for services and programs.
- It is also critical that the ADA Programs Division have a more autonomous position within the city department hierarchy to better monitor the ADA Transition Plan progress and assist City Departments with recommendations to meet their individual compliance requirements. MCPD advocates that ADA Programs Division continue to be organized directly under the City Administrator.

Goal Area 3.2

MCPD to work with OakDOT, BART, AC Transit, and other stakeholders such as public works and the fire department to improve accessibility in public spaces and the right of way, and to reduce traffic violence.



Goal Area 3.2 Actions

To ensure accessibility to public spaces and the right of way, addressing barriers in public areas and the enforcement of these issues; providing input on the design and redesign of our streets, transit systems, and sidewalks

- MCPD will invite presentations and updates from various stakeholders in upcoming street and transit projects as an opportunity to provide focused feedback, including but not limited to:
 - OakDOT's redesign of 7th St.
 - OakDOT's redesign of MLK
 - OakDOT's redesign of lower Broadway
 - OakDOT's redesign of upper Telegraph
 - OakDOT's redesign of Grand Ave
 - AC Transit's Realign project
 - AC Transit's Telegraph Avenue Rapid Corridors Project
 - AC Transit's Transit Supportive Design Guidelines

Goal Area 3.2 Actions cont'd.

- MCPD will develop a series of questions that would ask if MCPD and the disability community has been consulted with on city projects and initiatives.
- MCPD will develop a survey / questionnaire to gauge issues or concerns in disability community. Will partner with local CBOs to come up the questions.
- MCPD proposes to create an inclusion tool that would work to help departments consider a PWD lens when making decisions about accessibility.



Goal 4: Ensure Affordable and ADA-Compliant Accessible Housing Stock

Commission Leads: Noah Smith, Fatimah Aure, Benjamin Bartu, Thomas Cloyd

Departmental / City Stakeholders or Partners: Planning and Building, HCD

Ensuring affordable and ADA-compliant accessible housing stock is essential to promoting housing equity, independence, and inclusivity for individuals with disabilities, fostering a society that values diverse living needs.



Goal Area 4.1

Advocate to ensure the accessibility and affordability of housing in Oakland.



Goal 4.1 Actions

- Renter's Rights: Ensure Oakland renters with disabilities have access to the same financial and/or civic benefits afforded to Oakland homeowners with disabilities.
 - MCPD will support an Oakland elevator ordinance (like the one in Berkeley) that is currently under review in the office of the City Attorney.
 - MCPD to make recommendation to have one universal application for affordable housing instead of filling out multiple applications. County has already done some work on this.

Goal 4.1 Actions continued

- Advocate for accessibility of rent controlled housing for PWD.
 - No rent controlled accessible housing. Renters with disabilities often excluded from rent controlled housing.
 - Get an update on the posture of the *Smith v. Oakland* lawsuit. Commission to consults with City Attorney for potential action moving forward on future settlements. MCPD would play an advisory role to the City Attorney office.

Goal 4.1 Actions continued

- Addressing the issue of disabled residents to keep them in their home (fund exist in HCD Access Improvement Program). Improve or add structural changes to homes (e.g. ramps, grab bars, etc.).
 - Advocate the program has enough funding and that the program is well publicized.
 - Accessibility and ease of access to the application process.
 - Request information on the current fund and advocate for increased funding.
 - Tenants have same rights as owners to use the Access Improvement Program.
- Work with staff on developing Universal Design guidelines & policies.

Goal Area 4.2

Addressing the Issues of Unhoused Persons with Disabilities



Goal 4.2 Actions

- Follow up with the General Plan about the need for affordable housing and need to address homelessness from multiple angles.
- Present the need for access improvement funding directly to renters to avoid accessibility issues that force seniors and persons with disabilities (who are a large proportion of renters) into homelessness.

Goal 5: Civil Liberties

Commissioner lead: Benjamin Bartu, Anwar Baroudi

Departmental/City Stakeholders: MACRO, Homeless Administrator

The civil rights of people with disabilities encompass the fundamental principles of equality, non-discrimination, and full societal inclusion. Advocating for equal opportunities, accessibility, and the removal of barriers is vital to protecting the civil liberties of people with disabilities.



Goal Area 5.1

Assessing CARE Courts' impact on the civil liberties of people with psychiatric disabilities.



Goal Area 5.1 Actions

- MCPD to monitor and get a presentation from San Francisco Care Court pilot program
 - Data / research
 - Report / Recommendations
 - County Wide Partnerships

Glossary

BART = Bay Area Rapid Transit

CAO = City Administrator's Office

CPRA = Community Police Review Agency

DOT = Department of Transportation

DVP = Department of Violence Prevention

ESD = Environmental Services Division

ESMD = Emergency Management Services Division

HCD = Department of Housing and Community Development

MACRO = Mobile Assistance Community Responders of Oakland

NLC = Neighborhood Law Corps

OFD = Oakland Fire Department

OIG = Office of the Inspector General

OPD = Oakland Police Department

OPL = Oakland Public Library

P&B = Planning and Building Department

PWA = Public Works Agency

RAP = Rent Adjustment Program