

Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD) Meeting via Teleconference, Monday, December 21, 2020

## **MINUTES**

**Commissioners:** Reid Davenport, Thomas Gregory, Marjorie Lynne, Karen Nakamura, Karina Ryan (Chair), Noah Smith (Vice Chair), Frank Sperling, Howard Tevelson (Vice Chair)

**Commission staff:** Anh Nguyen, ADA Programs Division Manager; Jennifer Stanley (interim), Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Coordinator

Presenters: Noel Pond-Danchik, Jason Patton

Other attendees (from webinar Attendee list): Cathy Eberhardt, Sheela Gunn-Cushman, Lenore McDonald, Brian Ricks

1. Teleconference Protocol, Roll Call/Determination of Quorum

Welcome extended by Chairperson Ryan. At roll call, quorum was established with six of eight commissioners present ( $\mathbf{X}$ ); two ( $\mathbf{x}$ ) arrived later in the meeting.

Commissioners	Present (x)
Reid Davenport	X
Thomas Gregory	X
Marjorie Lynne	<u>x</u>
Karen Nakamura	X
Karina Ryan (Chair)	X
Noah Smith (Vice Chair)	<u>X</u>
Frank Sperling	X
Howard Tevelson (Vice Chair)	X

## 2. Open Forum

 Sheela Gunn-Cushman, Fruitvale Ave area resident, said she hasn't received any meeting notifications, and expressed deep concerns

- about transportation during Covid-19, including impacts to In-Home Supportive Services.
- Lenore McDonald, Center for Elder's Independence, has been partnering with Oakland's Commission on Aging and expressed interest in collaboration with MCPD.
- 3. Agenda Modification
  - A motion to accept the agenda as written was made (Tevelson), seconded (various), and passed with all voting in favor.
- 4. Approval of November 2020 Minutes
  - A motion to approve the minutes was made (Sperling), seconded (Tevelson), and passed with all voting in favor.
- 5. Commissioner's Announcements
  - Tevelson: Please send any further questions regarding Doria Neff's November presentation to staff.
- 6. Noel Pond-Danchik and Jason Patton from OakDOT's Bicycle & Pedestrian Program shared details on the re-launch of the Paint the Town Program (<a href="https://www.oaklandca.gov/projects/paint-the-town">https://www.oaklandca.gov/projects/paint-the-town</a>). This program encourages community members to paint murals on Oakland's streets and OakDOT staff requested feedback on the Program's guidelines.
  - No murals will be approved near crosswalks.
  - Traction modifiers/friction additive to paint is required.
  - The average cost estimate includes all materials and equipment but no labor or artist.
  - Recommendation: seek artists with disabilities.

The presentation was requested by ADA staff and approved by Chair/Vice-Chair.

- 7. Commissioner Updates to the Strategic Planning Goals
  - Commissioners Lynne, Smith, and Sperling shared recommendations from the November-formed committee: separate Strategic Planning (SP) goals from annual goals; make SP goals multi-year. Covid-19 interrupted this year's plan which suggests that the current plan be

- continued. Generally, the MCPD should be more pragmatic going forward.
- Anh has recommended that when goals are completed there be an action, like a memo, to reflect completion.
- Sheela Gunn-Cushman is concerned about emergency preparedness for people with disabilities, highlighted by the Covid-19 pandemic.
- A multi-year approach will be considered at next meeting.
- Cathy Eberhardt suggested that affordable housing be a priority for MCPD.
- 8. MCPD Meeting Schedule for 2021 (see agenda exhibit).
  - Anh reviewed the schedule. It was noted that the September retreat may not be offsite if the pandemic restrictions are still in place.
- Staff Updates and Announcements, Anh Nguyen, ADA Programs Division Manager
  - Upcoming City budget is constrained due to financial impacts from Covid-19 and staff are exploring ways to ameliorate. Vacancies citywide, including two in ADA, may be frozen and other cost saving strategies. MCPD may want to weigh in regarding these positions.
  - Chair Ryan will follow up.

## 10. Future Agenda Items

- The commission was invited to review the MCPD scheduler at <u>tinyurl.com/MCPD-AgendaPlanner</u> (also accessible to the public).
- Suggest items to Chair and Vice-Chair.
- The public can suggest items during Open Forum and all are invited to participate in strategic planning session.
- Not everyone likes the Google docs format.

## 11. Adjournment

 A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm was made (Lynne), seconded (Tevelson), and passed with all voting in favor.