



City of Oakland

Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)
Monday, April 17, 2023 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: Cathy Eberhardt (Vice Chair), Noah Smith (Vice Chair), Ayanna Keeton, Leonard Moore, Marjorie Lynne, Kyle O'Malley, Fatimah Aure, Barry Robinson

Commission staff: Anh Nguyen-ADA Programs Division Manager, Emily Seelenfreund-ADA Programmatic Access Coordinator

Presenters: N/A

Other attendees: N/A

Anh Nguyen begins the meeting with a reminder of rules for in-person meetings:

- No food or open drink allowed in Hearing Room 1 to maintain a clean and professional environment.
- Drinks must be in a closed container to prevent any spills or accidents.
- When commissioners speak- please press the top-red button that says "mic" and when you are finished, please press the button again.
- To ensure clarity and transparency, when commissioners speak, please state your name before speaking.
- When a member of the audience is speaking or commenting- please first state your name and any affiliations you may have.
- Restrooms are located outside Hearing Room 1, near the elevators.

Staff Updates and Announcements

- MCPD is in receipt of an updated Emergency Operation Plan/Pandemic Annex REIA presentation- a version of which was presented to the MCPD several months ago. MCPD will also send around a survey link to provide feedback on the presentation; those who fill out the survey have a chance to win a gift card. Note that

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Commissioners are not eligible to win the gift card but their input it still greatly appreciated.

- On **Wednesday, May 3, 2023 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm** the City of Oakland will host our annual Older Americans Month event in front of Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. The theme this year is “Aging Unbound”. ADA staff has requested a table for both ADA Programs and MCPD and are seeking volunteers to help table. Lunch and refreshments will be served.
- The City has recently published new guidelines for its permanent parklet program, allowing seating areas in the parking lane, which will take effect on July 1, 2023. This has been published to the City’s website.
- The Environmental Justice and Safety Element drafts are out for public review. These are part of the City’s update to the General Plan. The deadline to submit comments on these elements is June 22nd, 2023.
- There is a new Zoning Incentive Program for the Downtown Oakland Specific Plan and they are soliciting feedback from the public.
- There are two new Commissioners joining MCPD tonight: Fatimah Aure and Barry Robinson.
- Emily Seelenfreund reads a proclamation from the Mayor of Oakland honoring the life and legacy of Judy Heumann into the record.

Future Agenda Items

- Anh Nguyen notes that in May there will be a presentation from OAKDOT on the E-Bike library program.
- As always, ADA Programs welcomes suggestions about potential agenda topics; please email adaprograms@oaklandca.gov with any possible future topics.

Roll Call

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

Commissioners	Present (x)
Cathy Eberhardt (Vice Chair)	X
Noah Smith (Vice Chair)	X
Ayanna Keeton	

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Marjorie Lynne	X
Leonard Moore	
Kyle O'Malley	
Fatimah Aure	X
Barry Robinson	X

Open Forum:

- There are no speakers from the public for Open Forum.

Commissioner's Announcements

- Commissioner Smith provides an update on advocacy related to the Brown Act and the requirement for in-person Commission Meetings. Commissioner O'Malley is drafting a letter to submit to the City and the State regarding reasonable accommodations for commissioners and members of the public who are not able to attend in person commission meetings. Commissioner Smith has also reached out to the San Francisco Commission and it sounds like at this time they are doing all in-person meetings, despite a memo from the SF Ethics Commission suggesting they may allow virtual attendance as a reasonable accommodation for commissioners with disabilities.

2023 Strategic Planning (Exhibit B to Agenda)

- Vice-Chair Eberhardt notes that the Strategic Plan is very important for the MCPD and because three commissioners are absent- she suggests that they delay this agenda item.
- Vice-Chair Smith notes that because there is no quorum- MCPD will be unable to finalize the plan regardless. He states that because there are two new commissioners, it might make sense to use this time to review the items on the plan for their benefit.
- New commissioners Fatimah Aure and Barry Robinson have not reviewed the plan in-depth; ADA Program staff agrees to give an overview of the strategic plan.
- Anh Nguyen notes that Exhibit B-1 is MCPD's strategic plan from the previous year and this plan contained four goal areas: 1) Policing/Safety,

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2) Environmental Impact and Concerns, 3) Accessibility of City Programs/Services/Activities/Facilities, 4) Affordable Housing

- Anh Nguyen notes that for the 2023 draft strategic plan, MCPD added several new goal areas and action items which can be seen in Exhibit B-2. Anh reads aloud all action items from the 2023 draft strategic plan worksheet.
- ADA Programs Division will send this draft strategic plan and worksheet out again and highly encourages all Commissioners to sign-up using the worksheet for at least two action items. Members of the public are also encouraged to express their interest in working on any of the action items.
- Fatimah Aure asks if the strategic plan is an annual process. Anh Nguyen clarifies that the MCPD reviews their strategic plan year but that many goals and action items are multi-year goals.
- Vice-Chair Smith notes that the goals are typically multi-year, but the Commission tries to set action items that can be completed on an annual basis. Anh Nguyen adds that the worksheet includes a space for Commissioners to sign-up for action items, but also deliverables and timelines, taking into account that some goals/action-items are tied to the budgetary process.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12