



Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities Meeting Minutes February 22, 2016

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES (22 Feb, 2016)

The Austin Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities convened in a regular meeting on *22 February, 2016* at the Executive Session Room #1027 located inside City Hall at 201 W 2nd St in Austin, Texas.

Chair Brian Owens called the Board Meeting to order at 12:06 PM

Board Members in Attendance: Brian Owens, Robin Orłowski, Chris Masey, Marshall Mitchell, Danny Saenz, and Tanya Winters absent: Rick Hair, Andrew Harris, Diane Kerns-Osterweil, and Deborah Trejo

Staff in Attendance: David Ondich and Lee Nguyen

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Tanya Winters made a motion to approve the December 14, 2015 minutes. Vice Chair Robin Orłowski seconded the motion. All approved.

Motion: Commissioner Tanya Winters made a motion to move citizen communication to item 1 of the agenda. Commissioner Danny Saenz seconded the motion. All approved.

1. Citizen Communication: Two citizen communication were made during the February 22, 2016 MCPD Meeting.

A. **Jennifer McPhail Adapt of Texas:** The organization is asking for the MCPD to support, US Senate Bill #2427, The US Disability Integration Act 2015. The Committee will follow up and place this item on a future agenda.

a1. **Motion:** Commissioner Danny Saenz made a motion to add discussion of The US Disability Integration Act 2015 to a future agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tanya Winters. All approved.

B. **John Woodley Citizen:** He urged the MCPD to support The Sidewalk Master Plan and The Bicycle Plan. He also urged the commissioners to attend the meetings for the Taskforce on Community Engagement.

2. NEW BUSINESS: For discussion and possible action

A. **Approve MCPD 2015 Annual Internal Review:**

a1. **Motion:** Commissioner Tanya Winters made a motion to add the following language, "MCPD will establish a relationship with the public by increasing its social media policy and holding at least one public hearing or survey where Austinites with disabilities can express their barriers, thoughts and concerns regarding city life.," under goals for the Access and Public Policy Committee, on the MCPD 2015 Annual Internal Review. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Danny Saenz. All approved.

- a2. **Motion:** Commissioner Tanya Winters made a motion to approve the MCPD 2015 Annual Internal Review. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Chris Masey. All approved.

B. Approve MCPD 2016 Meeting Schedule:

- b1. **Motion:** Vice Chair Robin Orlowski made a motion to approve the MCPD 2016 Meeting Schedule. The Motion was seconded by Commissioner Tanya Winters. All approved.

C. Committee Appointments and related activities

- c1. Access & Public Policy Committee: Vice Chair Robin Orlowski and Commissioners Tanya Winters, Marshall Mitchell and Danny Saenz were appointed to this committee.
 1. Vice Chair Orlowski would like to inquire on changing the accessibility language on the agenda to include meeting location with physical accessibility.
 2. **Motion:** Commissioner Tanya Winters made a motion for her to be the official MCPD representative to The Intellectual and Developmental Disability Alliance Central Texas (IDD ACT) and for Commissioner Chris Masey to serve as her back up. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marshall Mitchell. All approved.
- c2. Awards and Outreach Committee: Chair Brian Owens and Commissioner Tanya Winters were appointed to this committee.
- c3. Education and Employment Committee: Chair Brian Owens and Commissioners Diane Kearns-Osterweil, Chris Masey and Tanya Winters were appointed to this committee.
 1. Chair Brian Owens reported to the Committee that he is working with Ron Lucey, a former MCPD Commissioner to map the Business of Work Seminar in order to begin planning for the event.

3. PUBLIC HEARING: No public hearings were held during the February 22, 2016 meeting.

4. ACTION ITEMS: Action items taken during the February 22 2016 meeting please see items Motion, item a1 under citizen communication, items a1, a2, b1, c1 under New Business, item 2. Under Committee Appointments and related activities and item A. under future agenda items.

5. STAFF BRIEFING: Lee Nguyen

- A. Budget: report: There were no expenses in the month of November leaving a fiscal year balance of \$6,005.00.
- B. The ADA Office is continuing a training partnership with the Parks Department, on ADA and Inclusion. Trainings, on a quarterly basis have been scheduled for the rest of the year.
- C. The ADA Office is working to finalize the City's ADA Implementation Report for FY 2015. Once it is completed it will be placed on the ADA public website.

7. CALENDAR:

- A. Feb 27 VSA Texas presents The Lion and The Pirate Unplugged an inclusive open mic for writers, performers, & acoustic musicians 2:00-3:00pm Malvern Books 613 W 29th St.
- B. Mar 14 MCPD joint meeting with the Commission On Seniors, the City's Sidewalk Program will be presenting another update to the City's Sidewalk Master Plan. The meeting is being held in the Boards and Commissions Room at City Hall starting at 12:00pm.

8. Future Agenda Items:

- A. **Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Marshall Mitchell to add a presentation from the Travis County Constable Precinct 5 Disabled Parking Enforcement Program to a future MCPD Agenda. The Motion was seconded by Vice Chair Robin Orłowski. All approved.
- B. Vice Chair Orłowski is interested in presenting the reorganization of the ADA Office at a future MCPD meeting.

- 9. ADJOURN** – A motion was made to adjourn the February 22, 2016, meeting by Commissioner Tanya Winters. Commissioner Danny Saenz seconded the motion. All approved.