



Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities Meeting Minutes June 10, 2016

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES (10 June, 2016)

The Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities convened in a regular meeting on 10 June, 2016 at the Boards and Commissions Room located inside City Hall at 201 W 2nd St in Austin, Texas.

MCPD Chair Brian Owens called the Board Meeting to order at 5:02 PM.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Brian Owens, Vice Chair Tanya Winters, Chris Masey, Marshall Mitchell, Robin Orlowski, Danny Saenz and Deborah Trejo, excused Diane Kerns-Osterweil

Staff in Attendance: David Ondich

- 1. Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Chris Masey made a motion to approve the May 13, 2016 minutes. Commissioner Deborah Trejo seconded the motion. All approved.
- 2. Citizen Communication:** Six citizen communication were made during the June 10, 2016 MCPD Meeting. To view the complete communication and commissioners comments please visit the following link: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06102016-567> and view item 2 (part 1 of 2 and part 2 of 2)
 - A. Jason Shaw – Discussed a desire to have people with disabilities considered for certification under SMBR.
 - B. Mark Cundall – Texas Disability Project spoke about Rev Up Program, Register, educate and vote. Program to increase involvement of people with disabilities in the voting process. Requested that the committee formally support the effort.
 - C. Chase Bearden: spoke in support of expanding DBE certification to include people with disabilities.
 - D. James Bear – ACC, student government association – works to make accommodations for all ACC students. Brought brochure informing about programs at ACC to accommodate. Wants to work with MCPD to partner in any way that is appropriate.
 - E. Chris Burteo – Austin Advocates Community Organizing Group. Work to fight unfair treatment and advocate including people with disabilities in the community. Transportation, Home living skills, Employment and Accessibility. Looking to partner with MCPD in whatever way appropriate to provide information about access around the city.
 - F. John Woodley – Service engagement log does not indicate his complaints. Requested that complaint process be put back on engagement log. Has a petition to have city fully fund sidewalk master plan.
- 3. OLD BUSINESS:** For discussion and possible action: Chair Owens mentioned recommendations approved by the committee for Mobility Talks, Equity Office and Sidewalk Master Plan.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Presentation:** Debra Dibble, Asst. Director and Elton Price, Certification Division Manager with the City of Austin Small and Minority Business Resources Department – General overview and discussion about the various programs that are administered by the SMBR Department. To view the complete presentation and commissioner’s discussion and questions please visit the following link: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06102016-567> and view item 4A. Mr. Price discussed Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), Women Business Enterprise (WBE), Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), and Airport Concession Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (ACDBE) certification process; including social and economic eligibility requirements and programs available to qualified business owners.
- B. **Presentation:** Uber/Lyft representatives – Discussion regarding Transportation Networking companies (TNC) policies and commitment to accessibility for riders with disabilities: This item was tabled due to unavailability of representatives to present. The time was rededicated to Citizen’s communication item 2.
- C: **Report from MCPD Committees:** For the complete MCPD Committee reports and commissioners’ discussions please visit <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06102016-567> and view item 4c & 7:
- c1. Access & Public Policy Committee (APP): Committee Chair Danny Saenz
1. The Committee met on May 23: The Committee Discussed requirements utilized by parks department. The department recently installed new picnic tables and benches in a park that were not accessible.
 2. Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) has service that is on demand, the committee would like to speak to a DART representative regarding this service.
 3. There is a new Transportation Network Company (TNC) in Austin that provides transportation services at a lower rate.
 4. Commissioner Marshall Mitchell would like to add a discussion about a push button door for the lobby bathrooms of City Hall.
- c2. Awards and Outreach Committee: Committee Chair Tanya Winters
1. The Committee has not met. The Austin Access awards have not received any nominations as of yet.
 2. Committee Chair Winters encouraged people to identify businesses and nominate for access award.
- c3. Education and Employment Committee: Committee Chair Chris Masey.
1. The Business of Work Seminar is in planning progress Austin Community College (ACC) Steps Program is interested in partnering with MCPD on this event.
 2. The Disability Mentoring Day (DMD) Committee will meet next week to discuss DMD.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING:** No public hearings were held during the June 10, 2016 meeting.

6. **ACTION ITEMS:** No action items were taken during the June 10, 2016 meeting.

7. **STAFF BRIEFING:** David Ondich. To view Commissioners comments and discussion on the briefing please visit this link: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06102016-567> and view items 4c & 7.
 - A. Budget: report: There were no expenses in the month of May leaving a fiscal year balance of \$6,105.00.
 - B. David Ondich reported to the Committee, that he hopes to have a progress report to the committee on social media by the end of summer.

8. **Future Agenda Items:** To view the complete discussion on future agenda items for the MCPD please visit this link: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06102016-567> and view item 4c & 7.
 - A. Contracting division
 - B. Restrooms and other access issues
 - C. Budget item for Business of Work Seminar, may request funding
 - D. Make a formal resolution in support of Rev-Up
 - E. MCPD Annual Internal Report by Chair Owens. Chair Owens would like the committee to review it before submission to Boards & Commissions.

9. **ADJOURN** – A motion was made to adjourn the June 10, 2016, meeting by Commissioner Marshall Mitchell. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah Trejo. All approved.