

## MAYOR'S COMMITTEE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES (MCPD)

## **Access and Public Policy Committee**

February 10, 2017

4:30 pm in City Hall, room 2003 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Austin, TX 78701

## **CURRENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

MCPD Vice Chair Tanya Winters Committee Chair Danny Saenz Marshall Mitchell Robin Orlowski

The Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities, Access and Public Policy Committee met in a regular posted meeting on February 10, 2017.

Committee Members in attendance included: MCPD Vice Chair Tanya Winters, Committee Chair Danny Saenz and Commissioners: Marshall Mitchell and Robin Orlowski

- 1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: Each speaker signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will be called in order of sign-up and will be allowed three minutes to speak about items posted or not on the agenda: There was no citizen communication
- 2. Presentation: Adapt of Texas presented to the APPC. Issues included: What to do with Medicaid from a Federal level and how those decisions might impact states. How changes in the Affordable Care Act impact people with disabilities. Issues surrounding people with disabilities, who need attendants, finding quality care. There may be an issue that personal-care attendants are underpaid. Without personal-care attendants, people with disabilities may be forced into institutionalized care. It is important to continue Independent Living Care contracts, as they help people with disabilities receive necessary services in the community.
- 3. ADJOURNMENT: the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.