



***MAYOR'S COMMITTEE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2023***

The Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities convened in a regular meeting on Friday, March 10, 2023, in Austin, Texas.

Chair Jonathan Franks called the Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities Meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance:

Chair Jonathan Franks

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:

Kathryn Broadwater
Mickey Fetonte
Robin Orłowski
Jennifer S. Powell
Deborah Trejo

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities regular meeting on February 10, 2023.

The minutes from the meeting of (02/10/2023) were approved on Powell's motion, and Orłowski's second on a (6-0) vote. (Commissioners Absent: Anzaldúa, and Kearns-Osterweil)

STAFF BRIEFINGS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Discussion on the services that Danny G. McBeth Recreation Center provides to the Austin community and how they can serve the commission's mission and goals. (Trejo/Franks)
Discussion was held. The presentation was made by James May and Christian Duran

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

3. Discussion and possible action to resubmit a recommendation to City Council related to the City of Austin Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget. (Trejo)
 - a. **The motion to approve the recommendation on Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget Recommendation to increase funding for recreational services, including day habilitation services, for children and adults with intellectual disabilities was approved on Trejo's motion, and Orlowski's second on a (6-0) vote. (Commissioners Absent: Anzaldua, and Kearns-Osterweil)**
 - b. **The motion to approve the recommendation on Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget Recommendation to provide funding for a single-stall, gender-neutral, wheelchair-accessible bathroom with adult sized changing table at Zilker Park was approved on Trejo's motion, and Orlowski's second on a (6-0) vote. (Commissioners Absent: Anzaldua, and Kearns-Osterweil)**
4. Discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation to require certified ASL interpreters to be dispatched onsite with deaf survivors. **The motion to approve the Recommendation to require certified ASL interpreters to be dispatched onsite with deaf survivors was approved on Powell's motion, and Broadwater's second on a (6-0) vote. (Commissioners Absent: Anzaldua, and Kearns-Osterweil)**
5. Discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation on the pre-existing City of Austin MBWE Program to be amended and expanded to include disability. (Orlowski) **The motion to approve a recommendation on the pre-existing City of Austin MBWE Program to be amended and expanded to include disability was approved on Powell's motion, and Broadwater's second on a (6-0) vote. (Commissioners Absent: Anzaldua, and Kearns-Osterweil)**
6. Discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation on the Downtown Commission's position on the use of scooters in the downtown areas and its impact on people with disabilities. **The motion to approve the recommendation on the Downtown Commission's position on the use of scooters in the downtown areas and its impact on people with disabilities was approved on Broadwater's motion, and Powell's second on a (6-0) vote. (Commissioners Absent: Anzaldua, and Kearns-Osterweil)**
7. Discussion and vote on future agenda items.
Discussion was held.

Chair Jonathan Franks adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m. without objection.

(Commissioner Orlowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. and Commissioner Broadwater seconded the motion. The motion passed on a vote of 6-0 with Anzaldua, and Kearns-Osterweil absent.)

“The minutes were approved at the April 14, 2023, meeting on Commissioner Powell’s motion, and Commissioner Ramirez’s second on a (6-0) vote.”

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