



Commission on Disability

Minutes re April 17, 2024

Preliminary Matters

1. Call to Order by Chair Fischer at 5:06pm
2. Land Acknowledgment recognizing Berkeley as the ancestral, unceded home of the Ohlone People
3. Roll Call by Secretary
Commissioners present: Vice-Chair Walsh, Chair Fischer, Commissioner Pugh, Commissioner Sun, Commissioner Lewkowicz, and Commissioner Paz.
Commissioner absent: Commissioner Marrero.
Staff present: Thomas Gregory and Guillermo Campos.
Public members present: none.
4. Public Comments – none
5. The public may comment about any item not on the agenda. Public comment on agenda items are heard at the beginning of discussion on that item. Public comments are limited to three minutes per speaker.
6. Approval of draft minutes: March 13, 2024 meeting
“...to approve the March minutes as drafted.”
Moved by: Commissioner Lewkowicz; seconded by: Commissioner Sun.
Ayes: Fischer, Pugh, Sun, Lewkowicz, and Paz.
Nays: none.
Abstention: Walsh.
The motion passes.
7. Approval: Order of Agenda
“...to approve the order of the agenda as written.”
Moved by: Chair Fischer; seconded by: Commissioner Sun.
Ayes: unanimous.
The motion passes.

Staff Updates

8. Log of Access Complaints
9. Messages sent to the Commission

Commissioner Announcements

There was consensus among Commissioners present that the CoD should offer input to Council in order to help ensure that the rehabilitation of the Maudelle Shirek Building (aka Old City Hall) is implemented in a manner that maximizes accessibility.

There was consensus among Commissioners present that CoD should invite Easy Does It Emergency Services (EDI) to an upcoming CoD meeting in order to inform Commissioners about EDI's services and capacities, especially regarding the provision of personal care attendants.

Discussion and Action Items

10. Work Plan Discussion and Developments

"...to authorize Chair Fischer to draft, sign, and send (via the secretary) to Council, on behalf of the full Commission on Disability, a communication regarding the need for City contracts to include explicit language regarding WCAG compliance."

Moved by: Commissioner Sun; seconded by: Commissioner Lewkowicz.

Ayes: unanimous.

The motion passes.

Adjournment (by unanimous vote at 7:25pm)

Minutes approved by CoD vote on: _____5/8/24_____

Thomas Gregory

Thomas Gregory, Secretary to Commission