

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES

THURSDAY May 19, 2016

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

CIVIC CENTER PLAZA – 4th FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

1200 Third Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 10:35 am with Board Members Chapman, Cooluris, Crisci, Hank, Landon, Martinez and Ringler Present. Miles, Sieglen-Perry not present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Jonathan Richards introduced himself as Supervisor Recreation Specialist for the City of San Diego Therapeutic Resource Services.
- b. Afsaneh Ahmadi introduced herself as Deputy Director and Chief Building Official of the City of San Diego Development Services Department overseeing Building, Safety and Construction.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Hank, second by Ringler, to approve minutes of April 21, 2016 as amended. Amendment: under board comment, include Ringler's statement that he will send People First language to Executive Director Curtis. Passed 7-0-0 (yay: Chapman, Cooluris, Crisci, Hank, Landon, Martinez and Ringler; nay: none; abstain: none).

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- a. Mary Wolford spoke on behalf of Executive Director Curtis, and distributed October Event fact sheet on behalf of Board Member Martinez.

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

Vice Chair Landon announced that Sandra Miles resigned as Chair due to a family emergency.

6. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Election of Board Chair
 - i. No Action; board will continue discussion at the June meeting.
- b. October Event
 - i. No action.
 - ii. Board members discussed and agreed that the event will be held on October 20th. Event details were discussed such as finding a speaker, inviting Access through the Ages, using the theme #inclusionWorks which is being used by National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM), and ensuring the event is inclusive of people with or without disabilities. The Subcommittee will finalize details with Executive Director Curtis.
- c. Potential Creation of Subcommittees
 - i. Motion by Cooluris, second by Ringler, to continue discussion at June meeting. Passed 7-0-0 (yay: Chapman, Cooluris, Crisci, Hank, Landon, Martinez and Ringler; nay: none; abstain: none).

7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Enforcing Accessible Housing Requirements and Encouraging Universal Design Concepts (Afsaneh Ahmadi, City of San Diego Development Services Department)
 - i. Afsaneh Ahmadi spoke about the City's permitting process, the Development Services Department's enforcement of accessible housing requirements, and the Voluntary Accessibility Program. Ms. Ahmadi stated the City hasn't formally adopted any Universal Design concepts though it does have a Voluntary Accessibility Program as part of its land development code. She reviewed the difference between 11a (applies to Residential Housing) and 11b (applies to Commercial Non Resident) and answered board member questions regarding State Title 24 multi-family apartments and condos; how 11b applies if there's any public funding; and how 11b applies to the percentage of affordable units if a contractor uses federal money for private, affordable, non-affordable, and commercial buildings.
- b. Kathleen Brand from Civic San Diego presented a PowerPoint of the 14th Street Pedestrian Promenade Master Plan.
 - i. Board members expressed concerns regarding choice of decomposed granite for walkways, width of walkways, and number of accessible parking spaces. Brand encouraged the board to write a letter of recommendation to Civic San Diego to address their concerns, and invited the board to attend Civic San Diego's public workshops.
 - 1. Motion by Ringler, second by Cooluris, to have Board Member Martinez write a letter of recommendation to Civic San Diego. Passed 7-0-0 (yay: Chapman, Cooluris, Crisci, Hank, Landon, Martinez and Ringler; nay: none; abstain: none).

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- c. Facilities on City Transition plan Phase II
 - i. Discussion continued to next month's meeting.

8. BOARD COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Member Ringler announced that he sent Executive Director Curtis a disability etiquette guide from United Spinal that anyone can use.
- b. Member Ringler announced that the Charger's letter will be admitted to Executive Director Curtis as high priority.
- c. Board recommended one presenter for June meeting.

9. BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS ITEMS

- a. Letter of recommendation to Civic San Diego for 14th Street Design accessibility issues.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.