

City of Fresno
Disability Advisory Commission
DRAFT - UNAPPROVED
Minutes of the June 14, 2022 Meeting

Commission Members Present: Chair Susan Coulter, Vice Chair Ken Elvington, Commissioner Frances Reyes Acosta, Commissioner Dr. Jenelle Pitt Parker (10:40am), Commissioner Nicole Turpin

Excused: Commissioner Bill Hyatt, Commissioner Mary Beth Randall

Subcommittee Members Present: Chenier Derrick, Sarah Harris, Marla Williams

ADA Coordinator: Shannon M. Mulhall

DAC Secretary: Priscilla Bowen

1. Call to Order.

Chair Susan Coulter called the meeting to order at 10:35 AM. Self-introductions were made.

2. Approval of the Agenda.

The agenda was read aloud by ADA Coordinator, Shannon Mulhall. ADA Coordinator amended the agenda to move the approval of the minutes action item from 4. Member Reports and Comments to 3. Approval of the Minutes. By motion of Commissioner Nicole Turpin and seconded by Commissioner Frances Reyes Acosta, the agenda was approved as amended by unanimous vote.

3. Approval of the Minutes

a. ID 22-1017: Approval of the May 10, 2022, Regular DAC Meeting Minutes.

By motion of Vice Chair Ken Elvington and second by Commissioner Nicole Turpin, the minutes was approved by unanimous vote.

4. Member Reports and Comments

Vice Chair Ken Elvington reported that California Department of Rehabilitation has a new district administrator.

Commissioner Nicole Turpin gave praise to ADA Coordinator Shannon Mulhall and Secretary Priscilla Bowen for their hard work and continued commitments.

5. Secretary's and ADA Coordinator's Report

Secretary Priscilla Bowen reported that Chair Susan Coulter signed and submitted four letters of support to the Active Transportation Coordinator based on last meetings presentation.

ADA Shannon Mulhall stated the City of Fresno has an open job posting for the ADA Coordinator position and 2 open jobs for ASL Interpreters. The City is also looking into opening more language interpretation jobs. The City has the Youth Job Corp Program that is targeted towards individuals who struggle finding employment.

6. Unscheduled Communication/Public Comments

Subcommittee Member Sarah Harris wanted to notify the commission and community that RICV is hosting a vaccine clinic that will also have taco trucks and resource booths on June 16th. RICV will have a Housing Webinar on June 23. There is also a Self-Advocacy Summit in July.

Alex Desiga is the chair of the Broadway Park Committee and have been granted a new green space park via Measure P. Alex has come to the group to ensure the design of the park is inclusive. ADA Coordinator Mulhall clarified the park is being called the South Tower Park and will distribute Alex's information to anyone who needs it.

Yonas Paulos stated that there will be a Veterans Stand Down on June 18th for get free haircuts, clothing, gear and other resources for free.

7. Action Items

a. ID 22-1018 Awards Task Force Selection

By motion of Commissioner Nicole Turpin and seconded by Ken Elvington, Commissioner Frances Reyes Acosta was appointed to the DAC Awards Task Force via unanimous vote.

By motion of Commissioner Frances Reyes Acosta and seconded by Ken Elvington, Commissioner Jenelle Pitt Parker was appointed to the DAC Awards Task Force via unanimous vote.

By motion of Commissioner Nicole Turpin and seconded by Ken Elvington, Subcommittee Member Marla Williams was appointed to the DAC Awards Task Force via unanimous vote.

b. ID 22-1019 FY23 Chair/Vice Chair Selection

Chair Selection

Commissioner Frances Reyes Acosta motioned to appoint themselves as Chair and got seconded by Commissioner Nicole Turpin. The motion failed.

Vice Chair Ken Elvington motioned to appoint themselves as Chair and got seconded by Commissioner Nicole Turpin. The motion passed 4-1.

Vice Chair Selection

Commissioner Nicole Turpin motioned to Commissioner Frances Reyes Acosta as Vice Chair and got seconded by Vice Chair Ken Elvington. The motion failed.

Commissioner Jenelle Pitt Parker motioned to appoint Commissioner Nicole Turpin as Vice Chair and got seconded by current Vice Chair Ken Elvington. The motion passed 4-1.

8. Subcommittee Reports

a. Transportation Subcommittee

Member Harris gave Measure C updates. A working group meeting is happening June 15th. There will be a meeting coming up on June 22nd that she encourages people to go to. Measure C is scheduled to go to Fresno COGS Board of Directors on June 30 and to the Board of Supervisors on August 9th where they will vote to determine if it will be on the 2022 ballot.

Commissioner Ken Elvington asked the subcommittee to look into a prioritized system for Handy Ride users that work in order to get them to work on time. ADA Coordinator Shannon Mulhall stated that she will add it as an agenda item for the next Transportation Subcommittee Meeting.

b. Housing Subcommittee

ADA Coordinator Mulhall stated that the last Housing meeting was cancelled last meeting due to staffing changes at Habitat for Humanity that prevented them from coming to present. She also stated that she is working on getting the HART team to present in

the June meeting.

9. Adjournment.

Adjourned called for at 12:03 PM by Chair Susan Coulter.