



City of Fresno

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Meeting Minutes - Final Disability Advisory Commission

Chair – Nicole Turpin

Vice Chair – Susan Coulter

Board Member – Frances Reyes Acosta

Board Member – Chenier Derrick

Board Member – Birdevinder Rickie Dhillon

Board Member – Reynaldo Villarreal

Board Member – Vacant

ADA Coordinator – Joe Hinojosa

DAC Secretary – Diane Longoria

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

10:30 AM

**In Person and/or Electronic,
Fresno City Hall, Room
2165N**

Regular Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Turpin called the meeting to order at 10:47 a.m. Of the 6 members, 5 were present. Board Member Dhillon arrived at 11:32 a.m. Introductions were made. New Board Member Reynaldo Villarreal attended the meeting and introduced himself to the commission.

Note: Due to conference room 2165N being double booked, the DAC Commission meeting moved to conference room 4017 located on the 4th floor (City Hall).

Present 5 - Chair Nicole Turpin, Board Member Birdevinder Rickie Dhillon, Board Member Frances Reyes Acosta, Board Member Chenier Derrick, and Board Member Reynaldo Villarreal

Excused 1 - Vice Chair Susan Coulter

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion of Board Member Reyes Acosta, seconded by Board Member Derrick, the above Agenda was **APPROVED** as amended due to the change in location. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Turpin, Board Member Dhillon, Board Member Reyes Acosta, Board Member Derrick and Board Member Villarreal

Excused: 1 - Vice Chair Coulter

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[ID 24-488](#) Approval of the Disability Advisory
Commission Minutes from March 12, 2024

On motion of Board Member Reyes Acosta, seconded by Board Member Derrick, the above Minutes were **APPROVED**. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Turpin, Board Member Dhillon, Board Member Reyes Acosta, Board Member Derrick and Board Member Villarreal

Excused: 1 - Vice Chair Coulter

4. MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Board Member Villarreal stated that he is the Director of Workforce Development at Valley Center for the Blind where he oversees all contracts and opportunities for the community.

5. DAC SECRETARY AND ADA COORDINATOR REPORT

DAC Secretary Diane Longoria welcomed new Board Member Reynaldo Villarreal to the DAC Commission and looks forward to working with him in support of the community.

ADA Coordinator Joe Hinojosa also welcomed new Board Member Reynaldo Villarreal to the DAC Commission. This will increase the members to six. He is excited and looks forward to working with him.

Joe Hinojosa will be giving the Right-of-Way Transition Plan to the

Transportation Sub-Committee in April and do some community outreach.

6. UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATION / PUBLIC COMMENTS

Upon call no public comments were received.

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the subcommittee on matters not on this agenda. Your presentations are limited to three minutes per person. Please be aware that the subcommittee is generally legally prohibited from taking any action on information presented in unscheduled communication until subsequent meetings.

7. PRESENTATIONS

[ID 24-489](#) Right-of-Way Transition Plan

The Right-of-Way Transition Plan consists of three areas:

- 1. Curb Ramps*
- 2. Sidewalks*
- 3. Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS)*

The goal of the Right-of-Way Transition Plan is to ensure that the City maintains accessible paths of travel in the ROW for people with disabilities. The Transition Plan describes existing policies and programs to enhance accessibility in the ROW.

ADA Coordinator Joe Hinojosa briefly reviewed each of the 3 areas of the transition plan. The City of Fresno has 17% of its city with updated APS installed. There was much discussion regarding accessible pedestrian signals. Joe Hinojosa responded to questions from the commission. He will provide the commission with a list of APS locations. He will also email the Transition Plan to the commission for their comments and input.

[ID 24-490](#) DAC Awards Timeline

ADA Coordinator Joe Hinojosa briefly reviewed the DAC Awards guidelines. Due to time constraints, the DAC Awards agenda item will be discussed further at the May DAC Commission meeting.

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

a. TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE

Nothing to report to the commission. The Transportation Sub-committee was cancelled due to lack of quorum.

b. HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE

Nothing to report to the commission. The Housing Sub-committee was cancelled due to lack of quorum.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

The above minutes were approved by unanimous vote of the Disability Advisory Commission during the July 9, 2024 regular meeting.