



Minutes
Mayor's Commission on Disability Concerns
November 2, 2020

Minutes of the MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON DISABILITY CONCERNS meeting held on Monday, November 2, 2020, 6:30 p.m., Virtual meeting.

MEMBERS Present:

Chair Katherine Schmidt
Vice Chair Irene Mochel
Maranda M. Childress
Paul Kent
Bethany Lien
Tracey Maye
Viki Peer
Rene Williams

MEMBERS Absent:

Jeff Oats

Guests:

Nanette Odell

Strategic Management and Diversity Office Staff Present:

Jonae Harrison, Equity & Inclusion Manager
Michelle Seitz, Emergency Manager – Fire Department

Chair Katherine Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

1. Call to the Public.

None

2. Review and Approval of Minutes – October 5, 2020 Minutes

Motion: Approval of the October 5, 2020 CDC Minutes

Motion: Comm. Paul Kent

Second: Comm. Irene Mochel

Motion carried unanimously, 7 Yes, 1 Absent, 1 Abstained Votes:

Y	Katherine Schmidt	Y	Paul Kent
Y	Irene Mochel	Y	Rene Williams
A	Bethany Lien	Y	Tracey Maye
AB	Jeff Oats	Y	Viki Peer
Y	Maranda M. Childress		

3. Discussion: Emergency Management Plan (Michelle Seitz, Staff)

Wants functional needs emergency management plan

Federal laws limited for how provide emergency management

Overview of presentation (attached); requested CDC's

thoughts/recommendations/advice/expertise to make sure that developing the plan, exercises, roles, responsibilities in the best way

Paul: is this new, or how different from what currently exists

Michelle: Within plan, there are sections that focus on functional needs within the plan but no person designated; a collaboration between all responders – have operations section, planning section, resource section (staff, equipment), medical (individuals, healthcare providers – but no specific person within command structure to represent functional needs; new position would be added to focus solely on the functional needs of community members and make determination/decision; even in national incident management system's larger framework, there's not a specific branch dedicated to functional; in past command staff has determined need for specific specialist for specific incident but proposing that have automatic role included

Rene: TPD participates in Smart 9-1-1; people register with Smart 9-1-1 and Tempe Fire has list of those with lockbox or physical disabilities that might need help; asked whether there was question added of whether need help getting out of house in case of emergency but unsure whether question was added; also can add announcement on Next Door to sign up – this is private way to self-identify

Michelle: Writing it down; good to refresh and make sure that it's up-to-date; getting a group together and will bring up these recommendations

Katherine: hiring full-time permanent position

Michelle: when emergency happens and response needed, responders are fire, EMS, PD but they have to collaborate as one and collaborate in the field; open Emergency Operations

Center – gives resources the field needs and give procedures to be followed; EOC that's managing the center have trained for different command roles so can fall into positions when necessary; roles include communications, logistics; these branches only come together when there's an emergency, sit in the position to manage the incident; wouldn't be FT person but someone that already works for CoT and already invested in the community – get educated and trained in the whole system to understand the structure and framework and reporting; EOC closes after incident is over

4. Discussion: Tempe Diablos Grant Funding 2020/2021

Rene: do not know if Diablos can fund this year but need to ask them if willing to fund a scholarship, regardless of whether have event

Paul: how got money in past

Irene: Michele submitted request to Diablos in past

Katherine: how ask for money if don't know if giving awards

Rene: if going to gather names of students, start in November to get applicants; can give out scholarship money without having a celebration; no big deal if don't do business award

Rene, Paul, Irene all want to ask about the money

Jonae to give status of Diablo money at next meeting

Irene: other private donors but only Diablos gave scholarship money

5. Discussion: Annual Report Review and Approval

Tracey – looks good

Paul – looks good

Katherine – looks good

No one disapproved

6. Discussion: Announcements

Recommendations for Flu Vaccine Partners for Disability Communities:

1. Library
2. Fire stations
3. Arc of Tempe

4. TCH
5. Neighbors Helping Neighbors
6. Lockbox list from Fire Department to inform where the locations are
7. Schools – Wood Elementary – in lower economic

Interviews for ADA Compliance Specialist beginning 11/3/20

Motion: Adjourn the meeting

Motion: Comm. Irene Mochel

Second: Comm. Rene Williams

Meeting adjourned at 7:23pm

Minutes prepared by Jonae Harrison, Equity & Inclusion Manager