



MEETING MINUTES
MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON DISABILITY CONCERNS
JUNE 6, 2022 - VIRTUAL MEETING

Minutes of the MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON DISABILITY CONCERNS meeting held on Monday, June 6, 2022, 6:34 p.m., In-person and Virtual meeting.

Members Present: 4

- ✓ Vice Chair Paul Kent
- ✓ Jacob Bunch
- ✓ Kathy Jefferson
- ✓ Irene Mochel

Members Absent: 3

- A Chair Katherine Schmidt
- A Jeff Oats
- A Bethany Lien

Guests:

- Jay Whipple, Foundation for Blind Children

Staff Present:

- Nanette Odell, ADA Compliance Specialist

1. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MAY 2ND, 2022 MINUTES

Motion: Approval of May 2nd, 2022 Minutes

Motion: Comm. Irene Mochel

Second: Comm. Jacob Bunch

Motion: Carried unanimously

3. COMMISSIONER TRANSITIONS

Nanette notified the group of Rene Williams resignation from the Commission. Replacement for her and Kevin Cullens is going to City Council soon.

4. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION: JAY WHIPPLE, FOUNDATION FOR BLIND CHILDREN

After a presentation from Jay Whipple, that included examples of guide strips, the group discussed efforts to increase access and inclusion for those with vision loss, especially at crosswalks, and would like to see this on the next agenda to continue the discussion. Also discussed was the importance of audible crosswalks and hope that efforts towards these can potentially include a collaboration between Tempe and ASU, specifically in relation to the guide strips.

5. TEMPE TOMORROW GENERAL PLAN TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP

Motion: After offering to be involved, motion to nominate Kathy Jefferson and Jacob Bunch to this TAG.

Motion: Comm. Irene Mochel

Second: Vice-Chair Paul Kent

Motion: Carried unanimously

6. DISCUSSION AND VOTE: 2023 MAYOR'S DISABILITY AWARDS EVENT

The group discussed looking at other venues to help ensure additional space for a larger event and turn-out. The solicitation of nominations needs to be expanded and the name of the event is a topic that Vice-Chair would like to consider changing.

7. DISCUSSION AND VOTE: CDC MEETINGS FOR REMAINDER OF 2022

Motion: Motion to approve recommended changes to upcoming CDC meeting dates which include:

- July 2022...Skip for Summer
- August 2022...Postpone from Aug. 1st (Nanette out of town) to 8th
- September 2022...Postpone from Sept. 5th (Labor Day) to 12th
- October 2022...Keep to Oct. 3rd
- November 2022...Keep to Nov. 7th
- December 2022...Keep to Dec. 5th



Motion: Comm. Irene Mochel
Second: Comm. Kathy Jefferson
Motion: Carried unanimously

8. UPDATES: ADA COMPLIANCE SPECIALIST

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, AUGUST 8TH, 2022
Location: Tempe Library and Virtual

MOTION: ADJOURN THE MEETING
Motion: Comm. Irene Mochel
Second: Comm. Kathy Jefferson
Motion: Carried unanimously

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:40 PM