



# COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

## MINUTES

1:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 4, 2015

Los Angeles City Hall Board of Public Works

200 North Spring Street, Room 350, Los Angeles, California 90012

### COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

David Wolf

Iran Hopkins

Alisa Schlesinger

Robert Williams

Betty Wilson

### COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Robert Bitonte (excused)

Theresa de Vera (excused)

Harriet Posner (excused)

Richard Rothenberg (excused)

### DEPARTMENT ON DISABILITY:

Angela Kaufman, ADA Compliance Officer

### COMMISSION STAFF:

### OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS:

Presentation by Chief Greg Savelli and  
Division Deputy Chief Brian Hale of  
Enforcement and Traffic Control Division

### GUESTS:

\* **AUDIO TAPE(S) and CAPTIONING NOTES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST**

**ITEM NO. (1): CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INTRODUCTIONS**

1<sup>st</sup> Vic President David Wolf called the meeting to order at 1:10 P.M. Roll call was conducted. A quorum of the commissioners was not present. All action will be referred to future meetings.

Action Taken: Roll call.

**ITEM NO. (2): APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

A quorum of the commissioners was not present. Meeting minutes for October will be approved next meeting.

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only

**ITEM NO. (3) Public Comment**

Public Commentary Received – For Announcement Purpose Only\*

A constituent indicated that if the commissioners can help provide the right tools or people to make an advisory committee for mental health to make sure that the police better serve the disability community.

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only

**ITEM NO. (4): Department of Transportation's Disabled Parking Placard Policy**

Enforcement update by Chief Greg Savelli and Division Deputy Chief Brian Hale of Enforcement and Traffic Control Division indicating they have made parking enforcement a high priority. They have six area offices: Harbor, Central, South, Western, Valley, and Hollywood where they conduct stings in the areas of suspected abuses. In 2015 they conducted 116 stings, 982 citations, and 418 placards were confiscated.

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only

**ITEM NO. (5): Housing Accessibility and Affordability**

Carey Stone provided some background information to assist the Commissioners in better understanding the Mayor's Executive Directive 13, which is titled "Support for Affordable

Housing Development." The Directive stated that the Mayor aims to have 100,000 new housing units by 2010 and mentions some prioritizing of case processing for projects that contribute to the new construction or rehabilitation of housing developments with certain percentages of affordable units. DOD had been informed that the Mayor had made a separate announcement that his goal is for 15 thousand of these new units are to be affordable, which would be almost double the City's current capacity.

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only

**ITEM NO. (6) Hollyhock House**

Angela Kaufman provided some background information to assist the Commissioners in better understanding the accessibility of the Hollyhock House. The DOD is setting up meetings to discuss the possibility of having more technology incorporated for people who cannot access certain areas for people with disabilities. One Possible idea would to digitalize the Hollyhock House, so that people can have a virtual experience.

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only

**ITEM NO. (7): Coordinated Care Initiative**

The status of the Commission's FOIA request for information was deferred until next meeting.

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only

**ITEM NO. (8): DISCUSSION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Angela Kaufman, who is standing in for Stephen David Simon, provided some background information that highlights concerns of the department. The department is focusing on the 2016-17 budgets, expanding the program, and reinforcing the programs that the department has. The events that occurred this month are the annual DEAFastival and the Disability Mentor Day. The coming events that are going to take place will be the celebration of World AIDS Day.

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only

**ITEM NO. (9): NEW BUSINESS**

The Commissioners did not have any new business to discuss, but would like to know what the City is doing to prepare residents with disabilities for El Niño. Town Hall meetings will be held

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on November 5<sup>th</sup>, November 12<sup>th</sup>, and December 3<sup>rd</sup> and December 9<sup>th</sup> at Granada Hills Recreation Center from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. The online resources can be found at [preparla.org](http://preparla.org) or [preparelanow.org](http://preparelanow.org)

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only

**ITEM NO. (10): ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only

**ITEM NO. (11): ADJOURNMENT**

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT APPROXIMATELY 3:08 P.M.**