



COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

MINUTES

Wednesday, January 11, 2023 1:00 P.M.

Department on Disability

Zoom Video Conference

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Myrna Cabanban

David Wolf

Dr. Robert Bitonte

Iran Hopkins

Robert Williams

Alisa Schlesinger

Candace Cable

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Richard Rothenberg

Betty Wilson

DEPARTMENT ON DISABILITY:

Ricki Rosales, Acting Executive Director, Department on Disability

Peter Soto, Management Analyst, Department on Disability

OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS:

Chris Lee, City Attorney Office

GUESTS:

**ITEM NO. (1): FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS
PURSUANT TO AB 361**

Determination in accordance with AB 361 Section 3(e)(3) that, while the state of emergency due to the Covid-19 pandemic, as originally proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020, remains active and/or state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, this commission has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person and/or state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

Action Taken: The Commission on Disability approved the teleconference meetings pursuant to AB361.

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

The Commission reviewed the minutes of the December 2022 regular meeting and the Commission on Disability voted to approve them.

Action Taken: The Commission approved the minutes for the December 2022 regular meeting.

ITEM NO. (3): PUBLIC COMMENT

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only.

ITEM NO. (4): COMMISSION ON DISABILITY- LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Commission will be updated on new and on-going legislation of interest. Commissioners may also request inclusion and information on new legislation. The Commission may choose to instruct the Department to begin draft processes for support, amend, or oppose letters or requests for further information/author invitations.

- I. Presentation is by Peter Soto, Management Analyst, Department on Disability on new and on-going legislation of interest. The Commission on Disability would like more information on AB4 Covered California: expansion, AB 4 Covered California: expansion, AB 5 The Safe and Supportive Schools Program, AB 10 Pupil instruction: body-shaming, AB 13 Elections: Election Day holiday: voting by mail, AB 21 Peace officers: training, AB 48 Nursing Facility Resident Informed Consent Protection Act of 2023, AB 49 Affordable housing, AB 59 Taxation: renter's credit, AB 67 Homeless Courts Pilot Program, AB 68 Housing, SB 7 Homelessness, SB 10 Pupil health: opioid overdose prevention and treatment, SB 16 Civil rights: discrimination: enforcement, SB 19 Anti-Fentanyl Abuse Task Force, SB 20 Joint powers agreements: regional housing trusts, SB 31 Encampments: sensitive areas: penalties, SB 45 California Acute Care Psychiatric Hospital Loan Fund, SB 50 Criminal procedure: arrests, SB 58 Controlled substances: decriminalization of certain hallucinogenic substances, and SB 59 Menstrual Product Accessibility Act.

Action Taken: The Commission will review the COD Legislative Table and let the Department know which ones to pursue.

ITEM NO. (5): COMMISSION CALENDAR UPDATE

The Commission will review and discuss proposed future meeting items, with the option to determine the Commission Calendar up to July 2023, as well as any rescheduling needed due to holidays. Some topics include long-term Covid-19 and the impact on the disability community, get an update on Peace Officers Standards and Training, the Department on Housing Community Development and accessible housing, point of sale ADA standards requirements, homeless programs from the Mayor's Office, transportation, and updates from the Metro projects.

Action Taken: The Commission will put topics on the Commission calendar.

ITEM NO. (6): EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ongoing update on items relating to Department activities, metrics, budget, planning, and/or other relevant issues. Presentation is by Ricki Rosales, Acting Executive Director, Department on Disability and/or other department staff. DOD is currently working with the Safe Inside program that gives people safe places to move inside with ongoing support and can stay inside and safe for good. The program also addresses the City's approach to street homelessness, looking at how teams engage with those individuals in order to improve outreach efforts. DOD goes out with others from the Safe Inside program to identify people who will need durable medical equipment and other disability related resources. DOD has gone out to two encampments. DOD is working with the Personnel Office to hire the position for the Assistant Executive Director and they should start on January 23rd or 30th. DOD has two staff who are departing from the office. Scott will be returning back to school and Danny is moving to LAX. DOD will be interviewing to replace those positions and other positions that are open. Lastly, DOD is getting close to finishing the budget and is preparing by scheduling meeting with the council offices in the Budget and Finance Committee and Civil Rights, Equity, Aging, and Disability.

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only.

ITEM NO. (7): NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Items for the next regular meeting's agenda and announcements from Commissioners, DOD staff, and guests, as well as follow-up items from this or previous commission meetings to be presented at the next meeting. No new business or announcements.

No Action Taken, Information Purposes Only.

ITEM NO. (8): ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT APPROXIMATELY 2:17 P.M.