

City of Oakland

Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD) Monday, September 17, 2018

Minutes

I. Call to Order at 5:45 p.m.

II. Roll Call

 6 Commissioners present: Garner, Gregory, Meshack, Ryan, Sperling, Young

III. Public Comments

- Eva Aguillard shared concerns about East Bay Paratransit service.
- Marjorie expressed concerns about housing displacement, affordability, and discrimination for persons with disabilities.
- Helen Walsh expressed concerned about the short notice for a field test for Lakeside Green Streets Project proposed for later this week with ADA Programs Division and Oakland Department of Transportation (OakDOT).
 - o Anh Nguyen, ADA Programs Division Manager, stated that new proposed dates will be selected, and the public will be given more notice.

IV. Agenda Modification and Approval

- Agenda item X was removed from the agenda. OakDOT staff must present at City Council meeting.
- Motion to approve agenda: Gregory
 Seconded by Garner
 Aye 6: Garner, Gregory, Meshack, Ryan, Sperling,
 Young

V. Approval of August 20, 2018 Minutes

Motion to approve minutes: Gregory
Seconded by Young
Aye - 6: Garner, Gregory, Meshack, Ryan, Sperling,
Young

VI. Chair Report; Frank Sperling, Chair

- Chair Sperling noted that three new appointments to MCPD are on City Council agenda tonight for approval.
- Paratransit will be a topic at October 15 MCPD meeting.

VII. Commissioner's Announcements

- Commissioner Gregory shared the following updates:
 - O Regarding Objective 1.1 of the MCPD Strategic Plan, Commissioner Gregory updated that the Bike Share Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) will be on hiatus until January or February 2019. City of Oakland and Metropolitan Transportation Commission need a few months to issue a contract to Bay Area Outreach and Recreation Program (BORP) for an accessible bike share pop up.
 - o In regards to Objective 5.1, Commissioner Gregory updated that he did send the letter approved at August MCPD meeting to the Housing and Community Development Department. He is awaiting response from them on the invitation to present at November MCPD meeting.
 - Senate Bill 1376 on Transportation Network
 Companies Accessibility passed both the State
 Assembly and the Senate with two-thirds
 supermajority. It is now on the Governor's desk for his
 signature.

- California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) started a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on autonomous vehicles. Center for Independent Living (CIL) was invited to join the TAC.
- Housing and Urban Development (HUD) vouchers for Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) are now available. As staff at CIL, Commissioner Gregory outreached to all the housing authorities in Alameda County. However, Oakland did not respond.
- Commissioner Meshack raised the following items:
 - o He inquired whether Chair Sperling met with Mallory Nestor-Brush, Accessibility Manager at AC Transit.
 - Chair Sperling confirmed that they had not met.
 - o Commissioner Meshack updated that he spoke with several Oakland Police Department officers regarding scooters on sidewalks. The officers confirmed scooters are to be on streets only, but OPD is being hands off.
 - Chair Sperling stated that the new scooter share ordinance is on City Council agenda tonight.
 - Commissioner Meshack updated that he spoke with City staff about having Tuff Sheds on his property to help house the homeless. He is waiting to hear back.
 - Finally, he shared a stack of *Paraplegia News* magazines, produced by Paralyzed Veterans of
 America. He would like MCPD to consider subscribing
 to it to stay better informed.
 - Chair Sperling stated such a discussion would need to be placed on future MCPD agenda. He further suggested looking at the bigger picture of education for commissioners. This would be a good topic for Strategic Planning during December MCPD meeting.

- Commissioner Young shared an update regarding his work with the Alameda County Fathers Corps. He is recruiting fathers with disabilities to take photos for their photobank. Additionally, there will be a celebration and resource March 16, 2019 at Merritt College in Alameda.
- VIII. Creating Age-Friendly Oakland; Scott Means, Senior Services Manager, Human Services Department
 - Mr. Means described the effort by the Commission on Aging in Creating Age-Friendly Oakland. He distributed a schedule of community forums.
 - o The Commission on Aging is using the World Health Organization (WHO) definition for age-friendly communities. It includes the following eight domains:
 - Health and wellness
 - Outside space and parks (example: Accessible playground for all ages)
 - Transportation (example: increased awareness of Oakland Paratransit for the Elderly and Disabled at the Fruitvale community forum for Creating Age-Friendly Oakland has led to increase in applications to OPED)
 - Social participation and inclusion
 - Volunteering and civic engagement (example: North Oakland Village is a great source of volunteers)
 - Community information (example: getting out the word on access and function needs)
 - Employment and learning
 - Housing
 - The Commission on Aging also applied for and has been accepted into the WHO Age-Friendly Network in

- coordination with the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP).
- o The Commission on Aging is partnering with Center for Elders Independence for networking and marketing of Creating Age-Friendly Oakland.
- Commissioner Gregory inquired whether the Commission on Aging is working on getting the WHO designation for Oakland as an Age-Friendly City now that it has been accepted into the Age-Friendly Network. He also inquired whether they will be asking for funding from City Council in their next annual report.
 - o Mr. Means confirmed about the effort towards the Age-Friendly City designation. However, the Commission on Aging will continue to focus on building momentum rather than asking for funding in their next annual report. They are working with Valerie Coleman, an Oakland resident who works for City of San Francisco, to also help build that momentum. Additionally, Mr. Means is on the AAA Advisory Board for Age-Friendly Cities at the county level, where he connected with staff at City of Fremont on their model.
- Possible next step is to revive a joint Commission meeting or otherwise have MCPD become more engaged in Creating Age-Friendly Oakland.
- IX. Disabled Parking Spaces and Abuse of Disabled Parking Placards; Michael Ford, Manager, Parking and Mobility Programs Division, Oakland Department of Transportation
 - Rescheduled for November 19 meeting.
- X. Staff Updates and Announcements; *Anh Nguyen, ADA Programs Division Manager*
 - Mr. Nguyen updated that a field test will be scheduled for accessible parking for the Lakeside Green Streets Project,

which includes protected bike lanes and a raised island to better manage parking.

XI. Future Agenda Items

- A. Objective 1.1: Accessibility in the Bike Share Program
- B. Objective 1.2: Disabled Parking Spaces and Abuse of Disabled Parking Placards
- C. Objective 1.3: Accessibility of Fixed-Route Transit Systems in Oakland
- D. Objective 1.4: Reliability and Customer Service of Paratransit Systems in Oakland
- E. Objective 1.5: Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles in the Taxi Program and Transportation Network Companies
- F. Objective 1.6: Oakland's Complete Streets Program
- G. Objective 2.1: Oakland Police Department Crisis Intervention Training (CIT)
- H. Objective 2.2: Oakland Fire Department, Emergency Management Services Division Overview of Methods for Addressing Access and Functional Needs During an Emergency and Natural Disasters
- I. Objective 3.1: Update on Community Outreach
- J. Objective 4.1: ADA Transition Plan, including Curb Ramp and Sidewalk Repair
- K. Objective 4.2: Equitable Prioritization of Measure KK Funds for Public Infrastructure Improvements
- L. Objective 5.1: Measure KK Funds for Home Modifications to Enhance Accessibility
- M. Objective 5.2: Identify and Reduce Number of Homeless Persons with Disabilities in Oakland

XII. Adjourned at 7:17 p.m.