



Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities Meeting Minutes July 14, 2017

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES (14 July, 2017)

The Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities convened in a regular meeting on 14 July, 2017 at the Boards and Commissions Room located inside City Hall at 201 W 2nd St in Austin, Texas.

MCPD Commissioner Chris Masey called the Committee Meeting to order at 5:00 PM

Board Members in Attendance: Commissioners: Kevin Jackson, Diane Kearnes-Osterweil, Chris Masey, Robin Orlowski, Danny Saenz, Deborah Trejo, And Sarah Webb
Members Absent: Brian Owens, Jonathan Franks

Staff in Attendance: David Ondich

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Kevin Jackson made a motion to approve May, 2017 MCPD Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Saenz seconded the motion. All approved.
2. **Citizen Communication:** Citizen Communication was moved down on the agenda. (Item 2 on the agenda) To view the complete citizen communication and commissioners' comments please visit:
<http://austintx.swagit.com/play/07142017-576> and view item 2
The following citizens made citizen communication...
 - A. Elizabeth Colbin – Spoke about Insure Central Texans, a non-profit group that assists people to enroll in marketplace insurance coverage. Seeking support from MCPD;
 - B. Neil Tanner – Spoke in favor of traffic calming devices in terms of public safety;
 - C. Pam Jacobs – discussed opposition to the current speed cushion design. Provided data referencing prevalence of skeletal disabilities;
 - D. Suzanne Paul – Discussed improvements in speed mitigation techniques. Opposed to current speed cushion model;
 - E. John Woodley – Spoke in opposition to the current speed cushion design.
3. **New Business –**
 - A. Commissioner Masey presented an update on recent 85th Legislative Session. Indicated that overall, it was a good session. Several disability-related issues were taken up. To view the complete presentation and commissioners' comments please visit:
<http://austintx.swagit.com/play/07142017-576> and view item 3C
 - B. Recommendation regarding speed cushions – Discussion regarding whether or not to formally recommend prohibition of certain types of speed mitigation devices. Committee voted to form A Working Group to

study the issue. Commissioners interested in participating on Working Group include: Orlowski, Kearns-Osterweil, Trejo recommended by Kearns-Osterweil and Webb. To view the complete Committee discussion, please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/07142017-576> view item 3B

- C. Commissioner Orlowski – Discontinue annual meeting with Commission on Seniors and replace with Austin Travis county Integral Care Board of Trustees. Consensus of committee to invite Austin Travis County Integral Care to a future meeting, but continue joint meetings with Commission on Seniors. To view the complete Committee discussion please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/07142017-576> and view item 3A.

- 4. **Staff Briefing:** David Ondich provided an update on the ADA Service Engagement log and the MCPD budget. Mr. Ondich announced upcoming events. To view the complete report, please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/07142017-576> and view item 4A

- 5. **Future Agenda Items:** Commissioner Masey skipped to future agenda items – Commissioner Masey, Recommendation to discuss committee support for Insure Central Texas; Commissioner Orlowski, discuss accessibility issues at N. Lamar transit center, i.e. Steps and not well lit. Consider making recommendation to Capital Metro; Commissioner Kearns-Osterweil, receive summary of working group; Commissioner Orlowski, invite Austin Travis County Integral Care Board of Trustees to future meeting. To view the complete Committee discussion on future agenda items please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/07142017-576> and view item 5

- 6. **Committee Announcement:** Commissioner Masey indicated that there were rally's scheduled in the Austin Capital area; commissioner Kearns-Osterweil will speak in a Town Hall meeting with Lloyd Doggett; Commissioner Kearns-Osterweil attended Healthcare protest/rally, Commissioner Orlowski announced formation of an Austin committee to study and ultimately reduce gentrification in Austin...To view the complete Committee Announcements, and Commissioners' comments please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/07142017-576> and view item 6

- 7. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.