



Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities Meeting Minutes January 12, 2018

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES (12 Jan, 2018)

The City of Austin, Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities convened in a regular meeting on 12 January, 2018 at the Board and Commission Room #1100 located inside City Hall at 201 W 2nd St in Austin, Texas.

Chair Brian Owens called the Board Meeting to order at 5:06 PM

Board Members in Attendance: Brian Owens, Robin Orlowski, Chris Masey, Rachel Gandy, Danny Saenz, Jonathan Franks Diane Kearns-Osterweil and Deborah Trejo Board Members absent: Kevin Jackson and Sarah Webb

Staff in Attendance: David Ondich

1. Approval of Minutes: Vice-chair Jonathan Franks made a motion to approve the December 8, 2017 minutes. Commissioner Robin Orlowski seconded the motion. All approved.

2. Citizen Communication: One citizen communication was made during the January 12, 2018 MCPD Meeting.

John Woodley Citizen: Asked if a non-council appointed alternate could be designated to stand-in for an appointed committee member to increase likelihood that quorum would be met. For the full communication and commissioners' comments please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/01122018-541> and view item 2

Motion: Chair Brian Owens made a motion to move Staff Presentation to item number 3. There were no objections.

3. Presentation of Michael Searle, Chief of Staff for Council Member Troxclair. Mr. Searle explained the process for getting recommendations onto a council agenda. For full presentation, please visit

4. NEW BUSINESS: For discussion and possible action

4a) Chair Owens led a discussion regarding the number and type of topics and activities to be taken up by MCPD in 2018.

Motion: Commissioner Masey made a motion that the committee adopt 5 priority items to be taken up in calendar year 2018. The motion was seconded by vice-chair Franks. The motion passed unanimously.

Following a tallying process, six priority items were identified.

Motion: Amend prior motion to accept six. No objection.

Priority items are: Parks and Rec; Public Safety; Transportation; Employment;

Community Engagement; Housing. To view the entire discussion regarding the selection of topics to be taken up by the MCPD in 2018, for the full discussion and commissioners' comments please visit:

<http://austintx.swagit.com/play/01122018-541> and view item 3A

4b) Vice-Chair Franks described the content guidelines associated with an MCPD social media site. The content outline will be taken up by the working group and reported to the full committee. For full discussion and commissioners' comments please visit:

<http://austintx.swagit.com/play/01122018-541> and view item 3B

4c) Appointment of vice-chair Franks as the MCPD Liaison to the National Federation of the Blind of Texas.

Motion: Commissioner Masey made a motion that Vice-chair Franks be appointed

as MCPD Liaison to the NFB of Texas. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Kearns-Osterweil. Motion passed unanimously. For the full discussion and commissioners' comments please visit:

<http://austintx.swagit.com/play/01122018-541> and view item 3C

4d) Vice-chair Franks led a discussion including a reminder of the upcoming joint meeting with the Commission on Seniors. For the full discussion and commissioners' comments please visit:

<http://austintx.swagit.com/play/01122018-541> and view item 3D

5. Future Agenda Items:

Community Engagement: Review other Quality of Life Commissions' surveys to determine cross-over priorities on which other commissions are working – Commissioner Orlowski Action Items – Next steps – Full MCPD Committee For the full discussion and commissioners' comments please visit:

<http://austintx.swagit.com/play/01122018-541> and view item 5&6

6. Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn the January 12, 2018, meeting by Commissioner Kearns-Osterweil. Commissioner Trejo seconded the motion. All approved.