



CITY OF OAKLAND  
**Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)**

**MINUTES**

- I. Called to order at 1:05 p.m.
- II. Roll Call:
  - Quorum: Yes
  - See Exhibit 1A
- III. Public Comments
  - Mr. Jerry Grace, disability activist announced that May 23, 2013 is Capital Action Day in Sacramento, California.
- IV. Commissioner's Announcements
  - Commissioner Rosenblatt: Announced that Community Resources for Independent Living, CRIL and Alameda County Public Health have teamed up and are providing emergency preparedness training over the telephone for non-ambulatory individuals, "homebound seniors" and persons with disabilities. The training dates are May 17 or June 21, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. To register telephone (510) 881-5743. (Please see Exhibit B).
- V. Approval of Minutes
  - March 11, 2013
  - Motion/Second: Commissioner Blanks/Commissioner Jacobson
  - Motion passed by consensus. March 11, 2013 minutes are approved with no corrections.
- VI. Agenda Modification and Approval
  - May 13, 2013
  - Motion/Second: Commissioner Burns/Commissioner Hernandez
  - Motion passed by consensus. Agenda approved with no modifications.

VII. Chair Report; Stephen Beard reported.

- Membership Update: Has interviewed three candidates for the commission. Thus far the Mayor has interviewed two of the candidates and will schedule the third candidate soon. The candidates will be forwarded onto the full City Council and should be seated in time for the June 17, 2013 meeting. He has scheduled an interview with another potential candidate for next week. Advised commissioners to continue recruiting efforts.
- Reported back on the Commission on Aging Annual Report to the City Council Life Enrichment Committee. Their presentation to the Life Enrichment Committee was postponed to May 28, 2013.
- Reported back on the Universal Design collaboration with City of Alameda Disability Issues Commission. He has been working for the past year on the ordinance which the City of Alameda wants to establish. This ordinance will cover complexes with five (5) or more units, includes single family residences and multi-dwelling residence sites.
- June 2013 MCPD change in meeting date. Emphasized that the June meeting will be held on the third Monday, June 17, 2013.

VIII. Vice-Chair Report; Denise Jacobson reported.

- Report back on the Committee on Aging Meeting May 1, 2013. Attended the meeting and noted that the meeting does not have closed captioning.
  - Dr. Sherwood noted that the closed captioning for CoA meetings was stopped five years ago because of budget constraints.
  - Dr. Sherwood reported that the State is rolling out compulsory managed care programs for Medical and Medicare. The enrollment period will be effective beginning October 1, 2013. There are three (3) options in Alameda County: Blue Cross, Alameda Alliance and the PACE Program. Personal enrollment will commence during the client's birth month and enrollment notices will be sent out three months in advance. At the beginning of mandatory enrollment, clients will be able to enroll in the program of their choice. If clients do not choose within a timely period, the choice will be made for them. It is estimated that 3,000 people will be involved on a monthly

basis. Clients with dual eligibility for Medi-Cal and Medi-Care will be moved into the managed care programs first.

- Commissioner Jacobson reported that she wrote to Mr. Bob Franklin, Department Manager, Customer Access and Accessibility BART, who spoke to the MCPD in March 2013. To date, she has not had a response from Mr. Franklin. A motion was proposed that Commissioner Stephen Beard, as MCPD Chairman write a letter to Mr. Franklin and copy BART's senior management.
  - Motion: Chairman Stephen Beard to write a letter to Mr. Bob Franklin on behalf of the MCPD.
  - Motion/Second: Commissioner Blanks/Commissioner Rosenblatt
  - Motion passed by consensus. Chairman Beard will write an additional follow-up letter to Mr. Bob Franklin.

## IX. Committee Reports

### A. Access Compliance Advisory Committee (ACAC), Chairperson Scott Blanks reported.

- Report back from April 17, 2013 meeting. Commissioner Blanks commented on the ADA Buildings and Facilities Capital Improvement Program. For a few years this program has had to focus on the Woodminister Amphitheater lawsuit, White vs. Oakland. Settlement is pending and funding is now available for other capital improvement projects. First to benefit are the year-round City owned pools that will be conformed to the newer 2010 ADA regulations. Please review the prior packets for more information on this matter.
- Discussed the upcoming ACAC meeting. It is expected that a substantive report will be presented to the committee by Mr. Kronemeyer and Mr. Downy regarding the proposed Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) stations.
- Commissioner Blanks remarked that if the Wednesday meeting date was not convenient for potential attendees that an abbreviated version of the BRT report will be heard at the AC Transit Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC), tomorrow, Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. at the AC Transit Building, 1600 Franklin.
  - Discussion and comments on AC Transit and the BRT Project.

- Accept the staff reports from the March 20, 2013 meeting (Reports were previously published in the packet for the ACAC March, 2013)
    - Oakland Paratransit for the Elderly and Disabled 2012/13 Mid-Year Report
    - ADA Buildings and Facilities Capital Improvement Program
    - The reports were accepted without objection.
  - Next Meeting: A Special Meeting of the ACAC and East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project Functional Needs & Access Review Subcommittee on Wednesday, May 15, 2013, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Hearing Room Three, One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza (City Hall)
- B. Education & Outreach Ad-hoc Committee, EOC, Chairperson Lorraine Rosenblatt discussed the various outreach events that occur over the next several months.
- The 9th annual Healthy Living Festival which is presented by United Seniors of Oakland and Alameda County (USOAC) at the Oakland Zoo, on Thursday, July 19, 2013 from 8:00 to 12:00 p.m.
  - Alameda County Public Health will host an annual event on Emergency Preparedness. Additional information on this event will be forth coming.
  - The EOC is working on events for Disability Awareness month which is October. Youth in Action is proceeding along, yet is still searching for an appropriate venue. Once the venue is established marketing will proceed.
    - Exploring the idea of having a comedy event in October. Commissioner Hernandez is in contact with a young comedy troupe, all who have a disability. Would like to partnership with Laney College Disabled Student Union and make this a joint event.
      - Committee discussion regarding special events.
- C. Strategic Planning & Oversight Ad-hoc Committee, SPOC, Chairperson Denise Jacobson reported on the various issues which the committee is proceeding with; and received input from commissioners and the public.

X. Staff Reports

- None

XI. Old Business

- None

XII. New Business

A. Presentation of 2012 Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities Activity Report to the City Council Life Enrichment Committee scheduled for Tuesday, May 28, 2013, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in City Hall Hearing Room One; Stephen Beard, Chairperson, MCPD reported.

- Historically the MCPD has presented an annual report. Discussed the report with the commission and edited the report.
- The commission discussed presentation of its activity report.
- MCPD chairperson extended a public invitation to attend the LEC presentation of the activity report.
- Motion to approve MCPD Activity Report as edited:
  - Motion/Second: Commissioner McLeod/Commissioner Rosenblatt
  - Motion approved by consensus.

-Break 2:00 to 2:10 p.m.-

B. Speaker Series:

- State of Maintenance of Oakland Parks, 2012, Susan Montauk, Director, Oakland Parks Coalition presented a report on the maintenance condition of the parks in Oakland.
- The Oakland Parks Coalition, OPC has existed for over ten years. It is staffed by volunteer stewards. Its board has twelve members which represents a majority of the Oakland City Council Districts. The OPC focus is the maintenance of the parks. It produces an annual report for the Public Works Committee that provides a survey on the maintenance of Oakland parks. This is the only user survey of parks in Oakland. The OPC stewards volunteer their time to conduct and produce the annual report. In September the parks are surveyed

and the reports are produced in October and given to several different City agencies.

- Displayed charts that tracked the level of maintenance staffing for the parks which had a direct correlation on park maintenance.
- The city has 130 parks. There are also landscape areas and street medians which need maintenance.
- The MCPD, the public and Ms. Montauk actively discussed the parks' situation and their maintenance issues. For additional information, please go to [oaklandparkscoalition.org](http://oaklandparkscoalition.org). (Please review the report which is in May 13, 2013 packet.)

XIII. Meeting Evaluation

- Very informative and lively

XIV. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- To be determined

XV. Adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

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NOTE: THE COMMISSION MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM  
ON THE AGENDA

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Public Comments: To offer public comments at the MCPD meeting, please register with Adriana Mitchell, ADA Programs Assistant, before the start of the meeting. Public Comments is one of the first agenda items therefore, please, arrive by 12:45 p.m. Please note that the MCPD will not provide a detailed response to your comments but may schedule your issue for a future MCPD or committee meeting. The Public Comment period is limited to 15 minutes and each individual speaker is limited to 5 minutes. If more than 3 public speakers register, however, then each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes. If more than 5 public speakers register, then each speaker will be limited to 2 minutes. Exceptions to these rules may be granted at the discretion of the Chairperson.

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