

DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, October 20, 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
200 East Santa Clara Street, Room T-550
San Jose, California

Commissioners Present: Chair Salazar-Torres, Commissioners, Kaeding, O'Donnell and Souza, Commissioners Emeritus Espinoza and Vidt

Commissioners Absent: Vice-Chair Eljas, Commissioners Brown and Westman, Commissioner Emeritus Morrow

Staff Present: S. Wing (ADA Coordinator)

1. **Call to Order/Orders of the Day & Agenda Approval**
Upon the motion of Commissioner Souza, seconded by Commissioner Kaeding, the Orders of the Day and Agenda were approved unanimously.
2. **Approval of August 11, 2008 Minutes**
Upon the motion of Commissioner Kaeding, seconded by Commissioner O'Donnell, the September 8, 2008 Minutes were approved unanimously.
3. **Open Forum**
Mr. Joseph Partansky from Concord, CA provided the Commission with information about a variety of disability rights issues.
4. **Council Liaison Report**
No Report
5. **Chairperson Report**
Ms. Salazar-Torres provided the Disability Awareness Day proclamation as signed by the City Council. She also informed the DAC that Commissioner Lichtenberg had resigned from the Commission, however, three applicants were recently interviewed by the Project Diversity committee. If appointed, the new commissioners would take office on January 1, 2009.
6. **Santa Clara County Advisory Commission for Persons With Disabilities Liaison Report**
No report

- 7. Senior Commission Liaison Report**
No Report
- 8. Approval of a recommendation to the City Council to adopt a proclamation declaring December 1, 2008 as World AIDS Day in the City of San Jose.**
Upon the motion of Mr. Kaeding, seconded by Ms. O'Donnell, the September 8, 2008 this recommendation was approved unanimously.
- 9. Report on the 1st Annual Disability Awareness Day**
Ms. Salazar-Torres reported that the event was successful and well attended. Commissioners O'Donnell, Kaeding and Souza reported that the DAC table received many information requests. The DAC felt this was a very worthwhile event and will continue to work with the organizing committee to plan next year's event. Mr. Kaeding and Ms. O'Donnell commented that they received many requests for different types of legal assistance when they were staffing the DAC table at the resource fair.
- 10. Report on the CADRE Emergency Preparedness Conference for People with Functional Disabilities**
Deferred to the November 2008 DAC meeting
- 11. Report and Discussion on new Open Government requirements and other meeting processes and procedures.**
Deferred to the November 2008 DAC meeting
- 12. Report on Standing Commission Items**
 - a. Emergency/Disaster Planning for Persons with Disabilities** – Mr. Wing reported that the collaborative effort involving City departments, CADRE, and the Volunteer Center to establish a Disaster Shelter Plan for Vulnerable Populations is progressing. Physical accessibility survey training was provided to about 20 volunteers and a draft written plan should be ready for presentation to the Task Force meeting on November 4, 2008.
 - b. “Strategic Plan, Services for Persons with Disabilities” Advisory Board** Mr. Wing reported that the Advisory Board has not met since it had been focusing on planning for the 1st Annual Disability Awareness Day.
 - c. VTA and Paratransit Service Issues** – No report
- 13. ADA Coordinator Report** – No additional report.
- 14. Announcements** - There were no announcements

15. Agenda Development

- Request presentation from the Environmental Services Department on the accessibility of the Recycling and Garbage programs.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.