

MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

May 16, 2007

PLACE: Cesar Chavez Library, Stewart Hazelton Room
605 North El Dorado Street

DATE/TIME: May 16, 2007
11:00 a.m.

OPENING COMMENTS:

- The Meeting was called to order by Don Aguillard at 11:05 a.m.
- The sign-in sheet will be used as the Roll Call

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Public Comment

- Mary Nicholson asked to speak in this portion, not as a member, but as an advocate. She was upset that the Road to Freedom was canceled. She said the City promised a “central location” and when offered Seifert Center, it was unacceptable.

ADA Coordinator Report

- Late arrival (no report)
- Will invite San Joaquin County Public Works Director to next meeting

Committee Reports

➤ Transportation

- Complaints being received about Yokuts & Pacific – “chirping” not long enough
- Same concerns on Hammer & Kelley
- Cross-walk list was compiled by task force – Kathy has not received
- Kathy Tomura proposed CRMS for complaints
 - Fabrizio described CRMS – Ask Stockton – in detail
 - Kathy advised that concerns are addressed faster

➤ Education, Employment

- Proceeding with survey
 - Contacts are being made – report will be made at next meeting
 - Overall response – wide range
 - Too busy, too much trouble, want to remain anonymous
 - Most will accept additional information if offered
 - Questioned how to advertise for ADA position without being negative
 - Hundreds of applicants for every position, why hire disabled
 - Perception of disabled being slow workers

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➤ Youth/Community Development Outreach

- Road to Freedom Tour
 - Cancellation unfortunate, must maintain City standard
 - 90 day advance notice required prior to event
- Tri-Fold brochure circulated (copy available upon request)
 - Requested members review and submit suggestions
 - Document will be sent as pdf to members for proofing
 - Add "Ask Stockton"
 - Fabrizio will submit to PIO for approval
 - Final document will be distributed at the next meeting
 - Look for locations to place brochure
- Learning Disability Fair
 - Will be discussed at sub-committee
 - Invitations to be sent to other agencies – Seniors First, SJDC, etc.

➤ Housing Committee

- New Chair – George Lewis - Looking at Visalia's program

➤ Old Business

- Projects being worked on by Chair, Don Aguillard
 - Disability Parking Enforcement Program
 - Draft distributed (copy available upon request)
 - Mayor wants to meet with Chair before proceeding
 - Parks & Recreation Disability Program
 - Fabrizio will ask for a rep from P&R to attend meetings
 - Appreciation noted to the work by Roger for events
 - Track & Field Day had 1,280 participants, ages ranging from 3 to 65

➤ New Business

- Training Workshops - Fabrizio suggested a "retreat" on a Saturday

➤ Community Announcements

- Joe's Pomodoro Pizza Cafe
 - Donating 30% of cost of meal to RSC of San Joaquin in May
- Athena Moran Therapy Pool Dedication, 5/22 at 11:00 a.m.
- Stroke Awareness Month
 - Women in Red lunch, 5/17
 - "Brain Attack" on 5/27 at 10:00 a.m. on NBC
 - "End the Stroke", community awareness focusing on African Americans
 - Stroke program being presented at the library on 6/9

ADJOURN:

Art Gomez adjourned the meeting at noon. The next meeting is scheduled on June 20, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. in the Stewart Hazelton Room in the Cesar Chavez Library. Please contact Julie LaLonde at (209) 937-8499 for copies of any handouts/additional information.