

MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

March 18, 2009

PLACE: Oak Park Senior Center
Arts & Crafts Room, 730 E. Fulton

DATE/TIME: March 18, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Johnston, Heather Agdeppa, Don Aguillard, Ardria Climons, Marilyn Fialkow-Chadnick, Jean Foletta, Mary Nicholson, Danny Nuss, Judy Robertson and Roger Slingerman

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Julie La Londe (recorder), Connie Cochran, and Kathleen Williams

GUESTS PRESENT: Jose Nuno (Visionary Home Builders of CA), Darrell Borges-Nolen (ARC San Joaquin), Dr. Summer Reed (Healing Hands Magazine), Chris Clark (Disabled Sports USA), Nate Knodt (SJRTD), Jendy Mora (SJRTD), LaVerne Dunham (Graphics West Printing), Peter Hackett (Alan Short Center volunteer), and Cary Martin (Mental Health Board)

OPENING COMMENTS:

- The meeting was called to order by Don Aguillard at 11:05 a.m.
- Sign-in sheet will be used a roll call
- Minutes reviewed and approved with no corrections

PUBLIC COMENTS: None

OPEN DISCUSSION:

ADA Reports

- RTD – Jean Foletta
 - Yokuts transfer area artist rendition distributed – anticipated April completion
 - Will include lighted crosswalks & security cameras
 - Reaching out to Disabled Community
 - Specific boarding locations for ADA, although all stops are ADA compliant
 - Nate Knodt, Manager discussed bus routes
 - Bus benches, old system City responsible, now RTD handles
 - Relocating benches takes 2/3 weeks
 - ADA requirements must have clearance for wheelchair or scooter
 - 300 benches and 200 shelter to be installed with anti-graffiti paint
 - SJC improvement program providing asphalt at bus stops
 - “Hopper” bus can stop at more locations
 - School busses have no ADA requirements
 - Bus routes cannot go into gated communities
 - Routes designed and tested before putting in place

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- Don Aguillard closed discussion with thanks to RTD
 - Marilyn offered to be advocate
 - Monthly customer transit forums, next one 3/26 at 11:30
- Public Works Update – Kathy Tomura
 - Absent – no report

DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Risk Management – Kathleen Williams

- Four functions of Risk Management
 - Loss Control
 - ADA falls into Loss Control function
 - Mayor assigned to Kathleen just 18 months ago, setting groundwork
 - Insurance
 - Liability Claims/Worker's Compensation
 - Risk Transfer
- Don questioned WAMU building, requested a walk-through
 - Wants to go "above and beyond" standard requirements
 - Risk Management is currently doing building assessments
 - Don offered support of other agencies in surveys of buildings

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Written reports will be added to minutes when received

Education, Employment Outreach Committee

- Current projects
 - Video project to demonstrate talents
 - SJ Delta College approved use of studio, need budget and timeline
 - SJC WorkNet Job Fair
 - Opening 1 hour early for veterans and disabled
 - Conflict with Asparagus Festival preparations
 - Some members to attend BOS meeting to request date change

Transportation and Mobility Committee

- Trying to set appointment to discuss Measure K

Housing Committee

- Jose Nuno – Visionary Home Builders
 - Handouts provided
 - Requested link on website for Visionary Home Builders
 - Connie described HUD loans and funding

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Youth/Community Development Outreach Committee

- Disability Awareness Fair 9/11/2009
 - Don reported Veterans are on-board, meeting with Tino Adame
 - Working on sponsorship letter, registration packet and corporate packet
 - Budget
 - Changing tents and portable restrooms should be on top of list

Old Business

- Deaf Community Focus Group
 - Requested assistance to identify community members (5/6) for focus group

New Business - None

Community Announcements

- Mental Health meeting
 - Workforce education and training
- March is Mental Health Awareness Month
 - Handouts provided
- CHOICES conference
 - Don has information for those interested in attending

ADJOURN:

Don Aguillard adjourned the meeting at 12:40.

NEXT MEETING

May 20, 2009 - 11:00 a.m. Oak Park Senior Center, Arts & Craft Room
Please call (209) 937-8499 for copies of any handouts/additional information.