

MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

July 22, 2009

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

DATE/TIME: July 22, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Johnston, Heather Agdeppa, Don Aguillard, Rita Carter-Overstreet, Ardia Climons, Marilyn Flalkow-Chadnick, Art Gomez, Judy Robertson, and Roger Slingerma

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Don Smail, Sgt. Goodnight, Julie La Londe (recorder)

GUESTS PRESENT: Darrell Borges-Noelen (ARC San Joaquin), Julie Bristow (SJRTD), Harold Butts (Dignaty's Alcove), Nathaniel Atherstone (SJRTD), Dextraze Kelly (SUSD) and Ray Call (UCP)

OPENING COMMENTS:

- The meeting was called to order by Don Aguillard at 11:10 a.m.
- Sign-in sheet will be used a roll call
- Minutes reviewed and approved with no corrections
- Agenda adjusted to allow guest speakers to present first

PUBLIC COMENTS: None

GUEST SPEAKERS (NEW BUSINESS)

Parking

- Revitalization – Don Smail
 - City contacted by the County regarding legal status of parking spaces
 - Accessible spaces under freeway corrected
 - ADA spaces at ball park
 - Temporary ADA spaces were installed initially
 - Out of 325 spaces, 8 are required to be ADA (code typically requires 2%)
 - 12 temporary spaces had been installed
 - Some temporary spaces removed, unsafe condition/location
 - Map distributed to indicate changes
 - ADA spaces on Hunter near Cinema complex
 - Temporary ADA spaces when no spaces were available
 - 14 ADA spaces now available in Coy parking garage
 - Drop off area for Cineplex area created in place of ADA spaces
 - 1 million patrons per year
 - People were pulling over illegally, dangerous crossing
 - CPD (Central Parking District) meets monthly
 - Task Force will be forwarded agendas

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ADA Parking Citations

- Police Department – Sgt. Goodnight
 - Stockton's fee for violations is \$333
 - Some California cities charge up to \$1,000
 - ADA spaces - Two out of three criteria have to exist
 - ADA sign
 - Blue curb
 - ADA emblem painted in space (traditional blue with white wheelchair)
 - Biggest issues is enforcing on private property
 - Letters sent to businesses to encourage proper posting of spaces
 - ADA parking can be ANY space except white, yellow and red zones
 - Any street – free meter parking
 - Handicapped placard “stings” are performed – Parking deputies are pro-active
 - Misdemeanor to abuse placard, complaints filed with DA
 - Group questioned creating classes for educating public
 - Budget constraints
 - Group reported areas that appear to have numerous violations
 - Sgt. Goodnight will have patrols check areas

OPEN DISCUSSION:

ADA Reports

- Public Works Update – Kathy Tomura - Absent

- RTD – Julie Bristow and Nathaniel Atherstone
 - Circulated handout – Proposed RTD “Hopper” route
 - Reviewed proposal in detail
 - Current budget 12% lower than previous year
 - Significant cost – Dial-A-Ride
 - 5 “Hopper” routes deviated to help cut costs (\$57 vs. \$19)
 - Scheduling for greatest benefit
 - 6 new routes being proposed
 - Cost for ADA
 - Bus \$0.75
 - Dial-A-Ride \$3.00
 - 31 day disabled pass \$30

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SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS (Written reports will be added to minutes when received)

Education, Employment Outreach Committee – George Lewis

- Next meeting on August 5 at Ernie's Pizza Parlor
- Video project to demonstrate talents of disabled
 - 2 year goal for completion
 - Looking for production company & inquiring about tax incentives
 - **NOTE: Plan and budget needs to be presented to Mayor**

Housing Committee – Don Aguillard

- Committee is discussing "Visitability"
 - Proposing survey to provide "Visitability" knowledge to builders
 - Would like to work with COS Planning Department
 - Would like to make community aware of low-income housing projects
 - Would like to create Channel 97 segment on ADA accessible homes
 - Marilyn volunteered to anchor

Transportation and Mobility Committee

- Committee in transition – dormant, Roger asked SJRTD to host sub-committee

Youth/Community Development Outreach Committee – no report

Old Business

- Deaf Community Focus Group (tabled until next meeting)
- Disability Awareness Fair (9/11/09)
 - Next meeting 7/23 at Joe Pomodoro's Pizza
 - Budget
 - Current balance \$3,380
 - Estimated budget \$5,528
 - Vendors requesting fee waivers
 - Waive only if they bring their own tables/chairs

New Business

- Task Force meetings will be changed 11:00
- Proposed Goals (tabled until next meeting)

Community Announcements

- Harold Butts – Dignity's Alcove, requested support for permit application (hand-out)
- Beep Ball Tournament 7/26-8/2

ADJOURN:

Don Aguillard adjourned the meeting at 12:30

NEXT MEETING

September 16, 2009 - 11:00 a.m., Stewart Hazelton Room, Cesar Chavez Library

Please call (209) 937-8499 for copies of any handouts/additional information.