



City of Surprise
Disability Advisory Commission (DAC)
Wednesday, June 10, 2015 – 6:00 P.M.
Surprise City Hall – Council Chambers
16000 N. Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, Arizona 85374

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Yaeger called the meeting to order at the Surprise City Hall, Council Chambers, 16000 N. Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, Arizona 85374, on Wednesday, June 10, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

Also in attendance with Chair Yaeger were Vice Chair Stutzman and Commissioners Curtis, Jeffords, Poschner, and Van Natter.

Chair Yaeger advised that there is currently one vacant position on the Disability Advisory Commission.

Staff in attendance: Ricka Gallagher, Risk Analyst and Lynda Davis, Sr. HR Analyst-ADA Coordinator.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. CURRENT EVENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioners Curtis, Poschner and Van Natter had nothing to report.

Commissioner Jeffords provided information regarding Regional Paratransit (Valley Metro) Plan Meeting. She further advised that Valley Metro is preparing a Regional Paratransit Plan that will assess recommendations from the 2008 Regional Paratransit Study and consider opportunities for greater consistency of service policies. The meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm (formal presentation at 6:30 pm) at the Disability Empowerment Center, 5025 East Washington Street in Phoenix. For additional information or to make accommodations for persons with disabilities, please contact Dolores Nolan at 602.523.6070/TTY 602.251.2039 or email: dnolan@valleymetro.org.

Commissioner Jeffords further provided information regarding Wheelchair Labs located in Phoenix operating as a program of Southwest Community Network, a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization. With caring volunteers and community partners, they refurbish and

repair donated electric wheelchairs and scooters; in addition to designing and building all-terrain personal vehicles. All mobility vehicles are gifted to those who are physically impaired which include disabled Veterans and others in need so they can move freely within their communities and gain better access to jobs, resources, education and basic needs. Their volunteers go through a repair process to assure that the equipment distributed is fully functional and ready to serve the needs of the less mobile. Their contact information about volunteering, financial donations, or donations of mobility devices and parts is 602.439.2953 or email: info@wheelchairlabs.org.

Vice Chair Stutzman reported that WinCo Foods in Surprise will be offering the adaptive carts for adults.

Vice Chair Stutzman advised that she spoke to the regional office and local manager on behalf of the QT Station, and that next month, Michael Chavez, local Manager, will be accepting the Above & Beyond Award.

Vice Chair Stutzman advised that there is a new line of toys from Mymakies.com (sponsored by Toy Like Me) that extends disability toys and dolls to children.

Vice Chair Stutzman advised that Commissioner Jeffords and Commission Poschner's terms are expiring at the end of this month. Commissioner Jeffords and Commissioner Poschner advised that they both have resubmitted their Applications to the Clerk's Office.

Vice Chair advised that the City of Surprise is having their Crime Prevention Fair on Saturday, June 27, 2015 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. held inside at Public Safety Auditorium. More information is on the City of Surprise website for more information.

Chair Yaeger advised that Councilman Winters had sent him a congratulatory email that the Disability Advisory Board is doing a fine job overall and that he shared this email to all DAC Board Members and Staff.

Chair Yaeger reported that the Crime Prevention Fair is not a place for the Disability Advisory Commission to set up a booth but that the Board Members should give an update on any event wherein they could set up a booth.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chair Yaeger opened the call to the public. Having none, Chair Yaeger closed the call to the public.

D. STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Gallagher and Ms. Davis had nothing to report.

CONSENT AGENDA

REGULAR AGENDA ITEM – NON-PUBLIC HEARING

Item #1: Presentation of the “Above & Beyond” award to CrossFit Surprise for providing excellent customer service to patrons with disabilities.

Commissioner Jeffords introduced Mike and Jolene Westerly, Owners of CrossFit Surprise and further gave recognition to both of them for providing excellent service and presented the Above & Beyond Award.

Item #2: Discussion pertaining to making arrangements for experts in disability related topics to speak at local Libraries.

Commissioner Jeffords advised that she had no firm answers at this time due to there being no current branch manager that she has been able to speak with at the Northwest Regional Library and requested that this item be tabled to next month.

Item #3: Discussion pertaining to DAC materials to be updated and copies made for public events.

Discussion was held regarding updating the Disability Advisory Commission materials. Chair Yaeger requested that Staff provided materials for review at next month’s meeting and requested this item be tabled to next month.

Item #4: Discussion and action to appoint Chair & Vice Chair with terms effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

Commissioner Poschner nominated himself for Chair of the Disability Advisory Commission. Chair Yaeger moved to approve the appointment of Joseph Poschner as Chair of the DAC with an effective term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Vice Chair Stutzman seconded. Approved 6/0.

Chair Yaeger nominated Kymberlee Stutzman for Vice Chair of the Disability Advisory Commission. Chair Yaeger moved to approve the appointment of Kymberlee Stutzman as Vice Chair of the DAC with an effective term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Commissioner Jeffords seconded. Approved 6/0.

Item #5: Discussion and action pertaining to approval of the May 27, 2015 DAC Meeting Minutes.

Chair Yaeger and Vice Chair Stutzman were unable to review the DAC May 27, 2015 Meeting Minutes and Chair Yaeger requested the May 27, 2015 Minutes be tabled to next month.

Item #6: Discussion and action pertaining to future agenda items.

The following non-standing items will be placed on the July 8th agenda:

- Above & Beyond Award to QT Station (Stutzman)
- Item #2 – Experts speaking at Local Libraries (Jeffords)
- Cross Disabilities Children's Programming (Yaeger)
- Item #3 – DAC Materials (Yaeger)
- Item #5 – DAC May 27th Meeting Minutes.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Hearing no further business, Chair Yaeger adjourned the meeting at 7:12 pm.

Lynda Davis

Lynda Davis, Sr. HR Analyst