



City of Surprise
Disability Advisory Commission (DAC)
Wednesday, September 14, 2016– 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 Poschner called the meeting to order at the Surprise City Hall, Council Chambers, 16000 N. Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, Arizona 85374, on Wednesday, September 14, 2016 – 6:00 P.M.

A. ROLL CALL

Joseph Poschner, Chair – Present
Kymberlee Stutzman, Vice Chair – Present
Dan Moore, Commissioner – Present
Linda Van Natter, Commissioner – Present
Brenda Renou, Commissioner – Present
Bruce Hertzog, Commissioner – Present
George Van de Langeryt, Commissioner – Present
Robert Harris, Commission Liaison – Present

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Poschner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. CURRENT EVENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Van de Langeryt had nothing to report.

Commissioner Hertzog reported following up with a few homebuilders about accessibility to mailboxes and provided information to them. He recommends observing mailboxes to make sure they are compliant and take appropriate steps to provide information to homebuilders when needed.

Commissioner Renou had nothing to report.

Vice Chair Stutzman reported the following:

Surprise Youth Council has a Haunted maze scheduled for 10/28 & 10/29 at the Sierra Montana Rec Center and Bubble Soccer on 12/10 at the Eight Acre Park on Bullard. These events are open and available for disabled youth. Zenia the Current DAC/Surprise Youth Council Liaison has since left the Youth Council. The name of Connor Williams as a possible replacement Liaison was recommended. Contact with Paul Bernardo in order to confirm the new Youth Council/DAC Liaison is in process.

Beth Medley of the Maricopa County Library System in Surprise was contacted to attempt to restart the Shake Rattle & Read Program. They are currently too busy but may reconsider in the Fall.

As mentioned previously, anyone who has concerns with non-compliant mailboxes in their community is encouraged to email the DAC. Commissioner Hertzog is recommended as the point of contact.

Consideration of nominations for the Community of Sun City Grand for the Above & Beyond award and for the DAC to decide on one or separate nominations for the individual departments. Additional detailed information outlining their community enhancements toward accessibility will be provided for discussion when presented as an agenda item.

Commissioner Van Natter reported Special Olympics Swimming Practice Tuesdays (Hollyhock) & Fridays (Surprise) from 6pm to 8pm. Swim Meets Friday and Saturday the 2nd weekend of October. Information will also be posted by the City of Surprise.

One Step Beyond has extended their program by offering a new class for those needing reduced stimuli.

Commissioner Moore had nothing to report

Chair Poschner welcomed the two new Commissioners and expressed his well wishes to former Commissioner John Yaeger.

Travis Ashby was contacted about the 2nd Sunday in the Park events held each month and agreed to allow the DAC to have a booth. Steve Castillo is the point of contact that will be present each month at the event. Chair Poschner will contact Steve Castillo to coordinate the DAC having a booth starting with October.

D. STAFF REPORTS

Commission Liaison Robert Harris had nothing to report.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chair Poschner opened the call to the public having none Chair Poschner closed the call to the public.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

REGULAR AGENDA ITEM – NON-PUBLIC HEARING

Item #1: Discussion & Action pertaining to approval of the July 13, 2016 DAC Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Van de Langeryt motioned to approve the 7/13/16 DAC meeting minutes. Second Commissioner Hertzog. Approved 7/0.

Item #2: Discussion & Action pertaining to nomination of Safeway on Bell & Cotton for the DAC Above & Beyond award

As a follow up to the recent presentation by Rehabilitation Services Administration, Vice Chair Stutzman identified the Surprise Safeway on Bell & Cotton as an exemplary employer in terms of placement of employees utilizing RSA services. They are a top employer in the City, County & Nationally for persons with Disability. They have a specific resource group for families touched by Disability. Additionally, each month Safeway promotes a different charity most of which are related to disability based charities. Handicap spaces were updated with the new active logo. Vice Chair Stutzman presented a quote from Larree Renda of Safeway regarding workforce diversity and P/COO Brady Lum of Special Olympics regarding Safeway's Fundraising efforts. Vice Chair Stutzman Motioned to approve awarding the DAC Above and Beyond Award to Safeway located at 17049 W. Bell Rd Surprise, AZ (Bell & Cotton) Second Commissioner Van Natter. Approved 7/0.

Item #3: Discussion and action pertaining to future agenda items.

The following items will be placed on the September 14, 2016 meeting agenda:

- Discussion and action pertaining to Nomination of Sun City Grand Community & Sun City Grand Fitness Department for the Above & Beyond Award. (Stutzman)

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Hearing no further business, Chair Poschner adjourned the meeting at 6:32 pm

Robert Harris

Robert Harris, Commission Liaison

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