

MONTEREY COUNTY

COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

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MONTEREY COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 22, 2023

MINUTES

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson Childress called the Regular Meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.

Commissioners Present – Nona Childress, John Gay, Roger Miller, Libby Sofer, Cristy Sugabo, and Lorraine Gonzales.

Commissioners Absent – Lilia Chagolla and Johnny Morales

Staff Present – Civil Rights Officer, Juan P. Rodriguez; Administrative Secretary, Ruby Jacinto; and Deputy County Counsel, Marina Pantchenko

II. Public Comment

None.

III. Action Item: Approval of the Special and Regular Meeting Action Minutes of January 30th, 2023.

The Commission on Disabilities approved the draft Action Minutes of January 30, 2023.

Commissioner Gay made a motion to approve the Special and Regular Meeting minutes of January 30, 2023 as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Sofer; motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Sugabo, Sofer, Gonzales, Childress, Miller, and Gay

NOES: None

ABSENT: Chagolla and Morales

ABSTAIN: None

IV. Review, Discuss, and Approve the Revised COD 2023 Meeting Schedule– Chairperson Childress

Commissioner Sugabo made a motion to approve the Revised COD 2023 Meeting Schedule as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Gay; motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Sugabo, Sofer, Gonzales, Childress, Miller, and Gay

NOES: None

ABSENT: Chagolla and Morales

ABSTAIN: None

V. Review, Discuss and Approve COD Strategic Planning Objective 1.1: Launch Social Media Platforms– Commissioner Gay & Sugabo

Commissioner Sugabo and Commissioner Gay gave an update on the Social Media Platform for the COD.

The COD provided feedback on Objective 1.1 Social Media Platforms and requested the following action items to be added to the future agenda:

CRO will prepare graphic and COD meeting schedule to post on County’s social media webpage.

CRO will prepare 4-5 graphs/items to post on County’s social media webpage throughout the year.

The COD approved the addition of the action items to be added to the future agenda as discussed; Commissioner Sugabo made a motion to approve as discussed; seconded by Commissioner Gay; motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Sugabo, Sofer, Gonzales, Childress, Miller, and Gay

NOES: None

ABSENT: Chagolla and Morales

ABSTAIN: None

VI. Review, Discuss and Approve COD Strategic Planning Objective 2.1: Create a Service Provider List that Identifies Current Partners and Potential New Partners – Commissioner Sofer & Sugabo

Commissioner Sugabo and Commissioner Sofer gave a verbal presentation on the Service Provider List.

The COD provided feedback on Objective 2.1 and requested the following action items to be added to the future agenda:

CRO will prepare letter of introduction for COD approval.

CRO will work with IT to create COD email account.

CRO will create business cards for COD.

The COD approved the addition of the action items to be added to the future agenda as discussed; Commissioner Sugabo made a motion to approve as discussed; seconded by Commissioner Sofer; motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Sugabo, Sofer, Gonzales, Childress, Miller, and Gay

NOES: None

ABSENT: Chagolla and Morales

ABSTAIN: None

VII. Review, Discuss and Approve the Commission's Top Five Presenters from the Service Provider List

The COD reviewed, discussed and approved the top five presenters from the Service Provider List as follows:

1. Alliance on Aging
2. CCCIL
3. California Commission on Disabilities
4. San Andreas Regional Center
5. City of San Jose Permitting Program
6. Department of the State Architect

The COD approved the top five list of presenters with the addition of a sixth presenter to be added to the list as discussed; Commissioner Libby made a motion to approve the list of presenters as discussed; seconded by Commissioner Gay; motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Sugabo, Sofer, Gonzales, Childress, Miller, and Gay

NOES: None

ABSENT: Chagolla and Morales

ABSTAIN: None

VIII. Review, Discuss and Approve COD Strategic Planning Objective 2.6: Work with Service Providers to Collect Local Stats on Communities With Disabilities – Chairperson Childress

Chairperson Childress gave a verbal presentation on COD Strategic Planning Objective 2.6: Work with Service Providers to Collect Local Stats on Communities With Disabilities. No action items.

IX. Discuss and Approve COD Strategic Planning Objective 4.1: Identify Authority of COD to Report Periodically at Board of Supervisor Meetings – Chairperson Childress

Chairperson Childress gave an update on Objective 4.1. presentation to the Board of Supervisors on behalf of the COD; Goal accomplished.

X. Discuss and Approve COD Strategic Planning Objective 4.2: Invite Members of the Board to Attend a COD Meeting – Chairperson Childress

Chairperson Childress gave an update on Objective 4.2. presentation from Eric Mora on behalf of BOS District 4; Goal accomplished.

XI. Review, Discuss, and Approve Next Steps for Commission on Disabilities Strategic Plan Goals – Leaset Torres, Civil Rights Office

Juan Rodriguez, Civil Rights Officer, discussed next steps with COD.

Commissioner Miller volunteered to do 20-min ADA presentation on how it applies to businesses and education. (Objective 3.3)

Commissioner Gonzales volunteered to recruit partners to improve the safety of the community with disabilities. (Objective 2.2)

This item will be placed on future agenda for further discussion.

XII. Announcements and Events

Sand City Art Park Event – 1st Friday of every month at 5:30-9pm

Fourth Annual Senior Transit Day – May 23, 2023 from 10am – 1pm

MST Fun Fair Family Event, Marina Transit Center – June 10th, 2023 at 10am

XIII. Future Agenda Items

Addition of Strategic Plan Goal Objectives: 1:1, 2:1, 2:2, 2:6, 3:3 and 4:2

XIV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:59 p.m.