**Sacramento County Disability Advisory Commission (DAC)**

**Meeting Minutes for February 7, 2023**

**Members Present:**, Gene Lozano, Chair; Randy Hicks, Vice Chair; Jeff Gasaway, Ex-Officio; Troy Givans, Ex-Officio, Carol Moss, Reggie Nelson, Hang Nguyen, Ex-Officio; Kathy Sachen, Angela Talent, Rami Zakaria, Ex-Officio.

**Members Absent:** Patty Gainer, LaTasha Richardson.

**Guests: Marc Laver, DAC applicant; Gabe Corrie, DAC applicant; Jeff Tardaguila, DAC Physical Access Subcommittee member; Peter Mendoza, Community Advocate; Bill Fallai, Community Member.**

**Staff: Cori Stillson, Cheryl Bennett,** Disability Compliance Office (DCO).

**Call to Order and Introductions**

The Chair called the meeting to order with a quorum present. Staff took roll call of members and guests introduced themselves.

**Resolution to Continue DAC Meetings Remotely**

**Gene Lozano reviewed the purpose of the Resolution required to continue holding DAC meetings remotely. The document is identical to last month’s with current dates. The Resolution was adopted by unanimous vote.**

**Approval of the Minutes**

**The meeting minutes for January 3, 2023 were reviewed and adopted as submitted.**

**Public Comments**

**Jeffery Tardaguila provided updates regarding the new RT Light Rail cars with low floors and safety concerns with their interface with the passenger platforms.**

**Brown Act Updates: Clarification of Hybrid Virtual/In-Person Public Meeting Requirements**

Cori Stillson presented and discussed the PowerPoint presentation prepared by County Counsel regarding holding hybrid virtual and in-person public meetings. Members asked questions and discussion ensued. They provided some additional questions for Ms. Stillson to take back to Counsel.

**Establish Homeless Services and Housing Task Force**

Gene Lozano appointed Randy Hicks to chair the Task Force. Carol Moss and Reggie Nelson volunteered to be members. Staff will follow up to determine a meeting date and provide materials for review prior to the first meeting.

**Chair’s Report**

Gene Lozano revisited a discussion about changing the DAC standing meeting date. Staff provided information about the dates when Hearing Room 1 and 2 will not be available and the proposed alternative meeting rooms. It was moved () and seconded () to keep the current DAC and Subcommittee meeting schedule and meet on the 5th floor at 700 H Street when Hearing Rooms 1 and 2 are unavailable. Approved, unanimously.

Mr. Lozano announced the upcoming Executive Committee meeting scheduled Wednesday February 15 at 3 PM. The main item on the Agenda will be to determine the topics to be discussed at the briefing with the Chiefs of Staff on Thursday February 16 at 3:30 PM. Lastly, he reminded members of the vacant DAC representative seat on the Human Services Coordinating Council, and encouraged members to consider filling the role.

**Ex-Officio Reports**

The Ex-Officio reports were deferred.

**Disability Compliance Office (DCO) Report**

Cori Stillson stated she would provide masks with clear windows to support safety and accessibility at the upcoming in-person DAC meetings.

**Programs and Services Access Subcommittee Report**

Carol Moss shared a summary of the discussion with representatives from Behavioral Health regarding their staff diversity survey. Members provided input

**Human Services Coordinating Council Report (HSCC)**

Randy Hicks noted the HSCC will be holding hybrid meetings starting next month. There will be a presentation by the Adult and Aging Commission.

**Physical Access Subcommittee Report**

Gene Lozano noted the Subcommittee did not meet in January. This month, there will be a report from the Department of General Services on access improvements in County facilities.

**Unfinished/New Business**

**Unfinished Business: Members reviewed a draft letter addressed to Courtney Bailey-Kanelos, the recently retired Registrar of Voters, thanking her for her service and commitment to making voting and elections accessible in Sacramento County. It was moved (Nelson) and seconded (Talent) to approve the letter with a minor amendment. Adopted unanimously.**

**There was no New Business.**

**Community Announcements**

**Members made announcements of interest to the disability community.**

**Proposed Topics for Upcoming Agenda**

**The Evacuation Routes draft plans and documents will be revisited with OES participation.**

**DAC Member Comments**

**There were no additional comments from DAC members.**

**Adjournment**

**It was moved (Hicks) and seconded (Talent) to adjourn the meeting. Approved unanimously.**