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

**Meeting Minutes for September 3, 2024**

**Members Present:** Gene Lozano, Chair; Isabel Arreola, Patty Gainer, Dustin Knott, Hang Nguyen, Angela Talent, Ex-Officio; Rami Zakaria, Ex Officio.

**Members Absent:** Troy Givans, Ex-Officio; Kathy Sachen, Vice Chair

**Guests:** Alexis Cardoza, Personnel Analyst,Helen Lam, Personnel Technician; Dept. of Personnel Services Recruitment & Talent Acquisition Team;Sylvia Penny, Supervising IT Analyst; Susan Yee, IT Business Analyst; Dept. of Technology (DTech); **Chris Martin, Garnik Mikaleyan, Department of Airports; Melissa Jacobs, Senior & Adult Services; Bruce Forman, Friends of Sailor Bar; Jeff Tardaguila, Physical Access Subcommittee Member; Yetta Nicole Brown, DAC Applicant**

**Staff: Cori Stillson, Cheryl Bennett,** Disability Compliance Office (DCO); **Josh and Mallory, American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters**.

**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.

**Approval of Individual Members’ Requests to Participate via Zoom**

It was moved and seconded (Hicks/Talent) to approve Patty Gainer’s participation via Zoom. Approved unanimously.

**Approval of the Minutes**

**The August 6 meeting minutes were adopted as submitted.**

**Public Comments**

**Jeff Tardaguila noted that Resources for Independent Living (RIL) is reviving the advocacy committee, Disability Organizing Group For Initiating Total Equality (DOGFITE).**

**Department of Technology (DTech) Web Access Team Update**

Sylvia Penny and Susan Yee provided a progress report on the web site audits conducted to date and shared information about the development of 14 training videos created for County staff. They will continue to report back as new developments are available.

**Review of Dept. of Personnel Services’ “Path to County Service” Workshop**

Alexis Cardoza andHelen Lam provided a brief overview of the workshop. Members who had participated in some of the recent workshops gave feedback and asked questions. Ms. Cardoza and Ms. Lam will follow up with the Disability Compliance Office to discuss including reasonable accommodation language into the workshop presentation.

**Ratification of Subcommittee Motion and Approval of Draft Letter re: Sailor Bar**

Gene Lozano shared background information on the proposed accessible trails at Sailor Bar Park on the American River. He asked for ratification of the Physical Access Subcommitttee’s motion of support. It was moved and seconded (Gainer/Talent) to ratify the motion. Approved unanimously. Members reviewed the draft letter of support addressed to Liz Bellas, County Parks Director. Members proposed minor amendments. It was moved and seconded (Arreola/Talent) to approve the letter as amended. Approved, unanimously.

**Chair’s Report**

Gene Lozano deferred the planned presentation of appreciation certificates. He briefly reviewed and members discussed the recent CA Attorney General opinion regarding virtual public meeting attendance as an accommodation.

**Ex-Officio Reports**

Hang Nguyen shared contact information for her office, Voter Registration and Elections, for any questions or concerns prior to the November election.

**Disability Compliance Office (DCO) Report**

Cheryl Bennett noted that she has been designated as the new Functional Access Service Team (FAST) Coordinator for Sacramento County. This means that she will oversee the FAST team members serving in mass care shelters during disasters.

**Programs and Services Access Subcommittee Report**

Angela Talent announced the Subcommittee would be reviewing the most recent response to their inquiry of Behavioral Health Services.

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

Randy Hicks noted there was a presentation from Lori Miller from Alcohol and Drug Services (ADS) division.

**Physical Access Subcommittee Report**

Gene Lozano deferred his report due to time constraints.

**Homeless Services and Housing Task Force Report**

The report was deferred.

**Unfinished/New Business**

**There was no unfinished or new business.**

**Community Announcements**

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

**Proposed Topics for Upcoming Agenda**

**The Airports are tentatively scheduled to return with an update to the ADA Self Evaluation and Transition Plan.**

**DAC Member Comments**

**There were no additional comments.**

**Adjournment**

**It was moved (Sachen) and seconded (Gainer) to adjourn the meeting. Approved unanimously.**