**SACRAMENTO COUNTY DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION (DAC)**

**PHYSICAL ACCESS SUBCOMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES for March 19, 2024**

**Members Present:** Gene Lozano, Chair; Randy Hicks, Kathy Sachen, Jeffery Tardaguila

**Members Absent:** Marc Laver

**Guests**: Jeffrey Lubenko, Associate Engineer Architect, Department of General Services (DGS); Stephen White, Chief, Engineering and Planning Division; Jenny Singh, Senior Civil Engineer; Kristen Van Groningen, Associate Engineer; Thomas Cassera, Associate Civil Engineer, Cameron Shew, Principle Civil Engineer; Department of Transportation (SacDOT); Josh Pilachowski, Senior Transportation Engineer, DKS Associates.

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

**Call to Order and Introductions**

Gene Lozano, Chair, called the meeting to order. Staff conducted the roll call and guests introduced themselves.

**Approval of the Minutes**

The approval of the meeting minutes for January 16 was deferred.

**Public Comment**

No members of the public wished to comment.

**Update: Accessibility Improvements in County Facilities**

Jeffrey Lubenko reported that the Department of General Services (DGS) had completed the following projects in 2023:

* Installation of updated interior signage at 700 H on floors 1-4
* Making Nottoli Place ADA-compliant
* Accessible restrooms and other access improvements at Southgate Library
* Vertical push plates for automatic doors at 700 H Street
* Lowered counter for accessibility at Security desk at 700 H Street
* Planning and design for accessibility improvements to the North and South Plazas at 700 H Street
* Designing accessible dog parks for the Safe Stay homeless facilities
* Removing over 500 barriers from a list of 1900 items identified in the ADA Transition Plan in facilities County-wide.

**Department of Transportation Report**

Stephen White followed up regarding the trapezoidal warning delineators proposed for use on Phase 1 of the bicycle and pedestrian improvements on Arden Way. He noted the additional research provided by Gene Lozano regarding colors and striping. The current design is for all bike lanes to be at street level adjacent to bus stops.

Jenny Singh and Kristen Van Groningen summarized the Madison Avenue Improvement Project. This will widen Madison between Sunrise Blvd. and Hazel Ave. Pedestrian and bicycle facilities will be updated including two directional ramps per corner and accessible pedestrian signals. There is not sufficient funding for undergrounding utilities on this project.

**Re-imagine North Watt Corridor**

Josh Pilachowski and Cameron Shew provided a PowerPoint presentation on the primary goals of the plan which is between Peacekeeper Way and Antelope Road. Filling in sidewalk gaps and better connections to bus stops are prioritized. The corridor plan will encompass multiple project alternatives that will be presented to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and will provide opportunities for public engagement.

**Unfinished/New Business, Announcements**

Scott Harger, member of the Subcommittee since the 1980s, has resigned.

**Proposed Topics for Next Agenda**

A representative from CalTrans may provide an overview on their current ADA Transition Plan update. The Department of Transportation will present updates Stockton Blvd. improvements and 2024 street overlay projects.

**Subcommittee Member Comments**

Gene Lozano gave a brief update on the Airports ADA Self Evaluation and Transition Plan. He has concerns regarding the consultant’s proposal for public outreach does not include meeting with focus groups as stated in the contract.

**Adjournment**

It was moved (Hicks) and seconded (Tardaguila) to adjourn the meeting. Approved, unanimously.