

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, January 25, 2017

3:15 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second floor, City Council
Chambers

Disability Issues, Commission on

I **ROLL CALL**

Present 11 - Larry Keeler, Alison Stroud, Larry Leon Davis, Anna Ercoli-Schnitzer, Sally Hart Petersen, Zachary Damon, Kirk Westphal, Albert Blixt, Rebecca Benedict, Timothy Hull, and Kathleen Mozak-Betts

Welcome New Commissioners Tim Hull and Kathleen Mozak-Betts

II **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

L. Keeler made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by A. Stroud. All approved on a voice vote.

III **APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 21 MEETING MINUTES**

R. Benedict made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by K. Westphal. All approved on a voice vote.

IV **PRESENTATIONS**

a **IRA LAX, WASHTENAW LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY DISABLED**

Terri Soave came to speak in place of Ira Lax.

Please visit the Library's website for additional information and upcoming events.

b **CAROLYN GRAWI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CEO, ANN ARBOR CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING**

Please see www.annarborCIL.org for a list of upcoming events happening at the Center for Independent Living. All questions should be directed to info@aacil.org.

The CIL will have a permanent spot on the CODI agenda.

V **PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO EIGHT MINUTES**

VI **OLD BUSINESS**

a CITY PERSONNEL REPORT - HEATHER KOCH

b CHAIR REPORT - SALLY PETERSEN, CHAIR

The commission is required to provide an annual report to City Council. S. Petersen will be working on an outline, and has asked sub-committee chairs to add information to it about committee activity within the last 12 months.

c COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE - SALLY PETERSEN, CHAIR

The meeting tomorrow has been cancelled. The next meeting will be on February 23, 2017.

The next taping of the Ann Arbor Inclusive show is on February 10. This episode will feature Police Chief Jim Baird.

d PARTNERS IN ACCESS COMMITTEE - ALISON STROUD

A. Stroud informed the commission on the sub-committee's recent discussion on snow removal.

1 Review Feedback from Closed Captioning Ordinance Outreach

A. Stroud would like to discuss the responses received from the Closed Captioning Ordinance survey.

The commission discussed a key response from a community member, who recommended replacing "mandatory" language, to "mandatory upon request", for the ordinance enforcement. K. Westphal recommended that the commission speak with Chris Frost about the language change and how it is presented to City Council.

A. Stroud moved to have the commission move to vote on changing the language in the ordinance to reflect the "mandatory upon request" language, seconded by R. Benedict.

Clarification of the ADA law that currently exists on this issue was made by Carolyn Grawi.

A. Stroud would like to move to withdraw the vote on the language change, seconded by R. Benedict. The ordinance will move forward with the ordinance as it is currently written. K. Westphal will send the

ordinance back to City Council.

e RECRUITING ACTIVITY - LARRY KEELER

Those who are interested in applying, please email a2disabilityissues@gmail.com. Currently the commission has two vacant positions.

VII ANNOUNCEMENTS

L. Keeler informed the commission of the road closure that will be taking place shortly after the Art Fair is over this summer. The closure is estimated to be about two months long.

A. Schnitzer made an announcement about the Michigan Flyer bus system.

VIII NEW BUSINESS

a U OF M COUNCIL FOR DISABILITY CONCERNS DECEMBER MEETING UPDATE AND MINUTES

IX ADJOURNMENT

S. Petersen adjourned the meeting at 4:50 pm.

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