# Ann Arbor Commission on Disability Issues January 18, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Commissioners Present: Linda Evans, Ramona Williams, Gloria Kolb and Marjorie

Cash

Commissioners Excused: Ian Scott and Larry Keeler

Sign Language Interpreter: Tracey Romanow

CTN Operator: Robert Hughes

#### I. Call to Order

Chairperson Evans called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. The Commissioners individually introduced themselves.

## II. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Cash motioned, seconded by Commissioner Williams, that the agenda be approved as amended by removing Section III c. Motion carries.

#### III. Presentations

- a. Ira Lax from the Ann Arbor Public Library announced upcoming events and programs at the library, as well as the Washtenaw Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled. Contact aadl.org or call (734) 327-4000 for a list of current programs. (734) 327-4224 to reach Library for the Blind.
- b. Terry Wilcox from the National Federation of the Blind spoke about the Federation and its local chapter. She announced that meetings take place at Pizza Pino on 221 W. Liberty on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month. All are welcome to join. Contact trising@sbcglobal.net or call (517) 482-1800 for questions.

#### IV. Public Comments – None

### V. Approval of Previous Meetings Minutes

Commissioner Cash motioned, seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the November 16, 2011 Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carries.

#### VI. Old Business

## a. City Personnel Report

1. Announced distribution of the 2012 Meeting Schedule.

## b. Chair Report

- 1. Announced resignation of Commissioner Joan Kaufmann.
- 2. Announced appointment of new Commissioner Gloria Kolb.
- 3. Discussed the meeting location change for the upcoming 2012 schedule. The Commission will now be meeting at their previous location in City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Council Room. The rear parking lot for the building has now been finished and offers accessible parking.

## c. Recruiting Committee

 Chairperson Evans discussed that a new Chair for the Committee will be needed in lieu of former Commissioner Kaufmann's resignation. She also announced that commissioners were still needed and to contact the Mayor's Office if there is any interest.

## d. Hollywood Committee

 Discussed the progress of the sensory garden, which will be located in the Liberty Plaza at Liberty and Division. A designer is still needed to estimate the cost.

#### e. Partners in Access Committee

- 1. Commissioner Keeler will temporarily take over as Chair for the Committee. More information will be given next month.
- VII. New Business None
- VIII. Announcements None
- IX. Adjournment Chairperson Evans adjourned the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

Submitted by: Amy Seavitt, HR Assistant