

City of Cambridge

Commission for Persons with Disabilities

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Sandy Durmaskin
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Bet MacArthur
Alicia Zeh-Dean

Michael Muehe
*Executive Director/
ADA Coordinator*

Kate Thurman
Project Coordinator

The next meeting of the Cambridge Commission for Persons with Disabilities will be held in the 2nd Floor Conference Room at 51 Inman Street on Thursday, July 14, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ARRIVE BY 5:30 PM

AGENDA

Please turn OFF your cell phones before the meeting begins. Thank you.

NOTE: CCPD meetings may be audio recorded for the purpose of taking minutes.

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| 1. Introductions | 2 min. | |
| 2. Approval of June 9 Minutes | 2 min. | |
| 3. Announcements | 2 min. | CCPD staff / board |
| 4. Chair's Report | 30 min. | Nicole Horton-Stimpson |
| <i>Filling Board Vacancies</i> | | |
| <i>CCPD Priorities</i> | | |
| <i>October Employment Event</i> | | |
| 5. Public Works Update | 10 min. | Debbie Cheng |
| 6. Police Community Liaison | 10 min. | Jack Albert |
| 7. Disability Reframed Film Series | 5 min. | Bet MacArthur |
| 8. Executive Director's Report | 5 min. | Michael Muehe |
| 9. Public Input | 3 min. | general public |
| 10. Old Business | 2 min. | |
| 11. New Business | 2 min. | |

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The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 8, 2016



Approved 9/8/16

Cambridge Commission for Persons with Disabilities (CCPD)

Minutes for Thursday, July 14, 2016

51 Inman Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Cambridge, MA 02139

Meeting was called to order at 5:38 pm

Present

Members: Debbie Cheng, Elizabeth Dean-Clower, Sandy Durmaskin (via phone), Nicole Horton-Stimpson, Bet MacArthur, and Alicia Zeh-Dean.

Absent: Gary Dmytryk, Maria Fontellio

Staff: Michael Muehe

Guests: Ellen Frith, Carmelle Madhere, Berry Pierre and Donald Summerfield.

Documents/Materials Used:

- Agenda
- Minutes from June 9

Minutes:

A motion to approve the June 9, 2016 minutes was seconded and passed unanimously.

Chair's Report: Chairing the meeting in Gary Dmytryk's absence, Nicole Horton-Stimpson reminded all attendees that there would be no CCPD Board meeting in the month of August. She reminded Board members that the Commission was still seeking applicants to fill the five vacancies on the Board, and she encouraged Board members to actively recruit interested Cambridge residents to apply. Nicole said that the discussion on priority setting would resume upon Gary's return.

Regarding the October employment event, Nicole Horton-Stimpson said that several possible topics were under discussion in that she would be meeting with planning committee members Maria Fontellio and Alicia Zeh-Dean on July 18 to continue the planning process.

Public Works Update: Debbie Cheng reported that the updated Five Year Plan was now on the DPW website. She reported on upcoming street and sidewalk construction projects, including Pearl Street, a major reconstruction effort. Central Square will soon be equipped with a new Portland Loo (accessible sidewalk toilet).

Disability Reframed: Bet MacArthur again urged CCPD members to get involved with the film series. She said that she would be reaching out to Jessica Doonan at the Boston Commission to discuss future plans for the film series.

Executive Director's Report: Michael Muehe expressed his sincere thanks to Elizabeth and Sandy for serving the Commission so well over the past six years. He reported that the Sacramento Field park upgrade project, which he had reported on at the last meeting, and that includes significant accessibility improvements, has met with some opposition from some park abutters. He asked the Board to consider passing a motion expressing support

for this project. After some discussion, the following motion by Alicia, seconded by Elizabeth, was passed unanimously:

We strongly support the efforts the City has made to incorporate Universal Design and accessibility standards in the design of Sacramento Field, and in this park's Loop Path in particular.

Old Business: Elizabeth expressed her appreciation to the Board for the last six years of collaborative effort.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05PM

Respectfully submitted by Michael Muehe