

**City of Oakland**  
Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)  
Monday, August 19, 2019  
**Minutes**

- I. Call to Order at 5:32 p.m.
- II. Roll Call
  - 7 Commissioners present: Garner, Gregory, Lynne, Meshack, Meu, Nakamura, Sperling
- III. Public Comments
  - Helen Walsh stated that Oakland 311 online information does not provide the long version phone number to call; it should be imbedded for screen readers to read. Also, the Oakland 311 app is not accessible for a screen reader, especially the map function.
- IV. Agenda Modification and Approval
  - Motion to approve agenda without modification: Sperling  
Seconded by Gregory  
Ayes - 7: Garner, Gregory, Lynne, Meshack, Meu, Nakamura, Sperling
- V. Approval of July 15, 2019 Minutes
  - Motion to approve minutes without modification: Sperling  
Seconded by Gregory  
Ayes - 7: Garner, Gregory, Lynne, Meshack, Meu, Nakamura, Sperling
- VI. Chair Report; *Karen Nakamura, Chair*
  - None
- VII. Commissioner's Announcements
  - Commissioner Lynne announced that she and Commissioner Smith are working on guidelines for the MCPD Facebook page.

- Commissioner Garner conducted MCPD outreach at the Allen Temple Baptist Church health fair on August 10.
- Commissioner Gregory stated that he attended subcommittee meetings for persons with disabilities as part of the Alameda County Complete Count Committee regarding the 2020 census. He recommended MCPD have staff from that committee present at future MCPD meeting.

VIII. Berkeley Disaster Preparedness Neighborhood Network (BDPNN); *David Peattie, BDPNN*

- BDPNN is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to helping communities prepare for and respond to a disaster.
- Seniors and people with disabilities die or sustain injuries in a disaster at a rate more than double that of the larger population.
- Professional first responders will be overwhelmed in a disaster.
- BDPNN is hosting the East Bay Community Emergency Prep Fair on October 12, 2019, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at James Kenney Park, 1720 8<sup>th</sup> St. in Berkeley.

IX. Shared Mobility; *Kerby Olsen, Shared Mobility Program Coordinator, Oakland Department of Transportation (OakDOT); John Doolittle, Commercial Operations, Marble; Christopher Brown, Senior Manager, Government Partnerships, Bird; Alex Nestic, Chief Business Officer, Clevr Mobility; Sean Conner, Senior Public Affairs Manager, Lime; Neal Patel, Community Affairs Manager, Lyft Bikes and Scooters*

- Mr. Olsen provided an adaptive scooter and bike share update on behalf of OakDOT:
  - Adaptive Bike Share launched on May 2019 and is operated by BORP through contract with Motivate/Lyft.
  - A plan for adaptive scooters is required under the Scooter Sharing Permit.

- Provisional scooter permits were issued in July to Bird, Clevr, Lime and Lyft. Clevr has not yet launched.
- Next steps include the following:
  - Announce Adaptive Bike Share relocation to Snow Park
  - Review Scooter Operator plans for adaptive scooter deployment and incorporate feedback from MCPD
  - Distribute survey on shared mobility accessibility
  - Work with Alta Planning and Design to develop recommendations for improving accessibility of shared mobility
- Mr. Doolittle brought in the Marble delivery robot:
  - The robot navigates sidewalks at walking speeds, while yielding to pedestrians, to efficiently and affordably deliver goods within minutes of when they are ordered.
  - The size of the robot has changed from the original version, so a wheelchair can easily pass on a standard city sidewalk.
  - A human operator is trained to move the robot out of the way if needed.
  - Marble will map sidewalk conditions for Oakland to help OakDOT recommend improvements where needed.
  - Marble proposed a pilot in West Oakland and Jack London Square of testing three to five robots.
- Mr. Brown presented the following regarding Bird scooters:
  - Accessible mobile app features
  - Adaptive scooter options:
    - Seated scooter
    - E-scooter that can power a manual wheelchair
  - Bird will gather community input and conduct closed pilot programs until the citywide pilot in spring 2020
- Mr. Nestic presented scooter options from Clevr:

- A two-wheeled scooter, currently deployed in Chicago, will be deployed in Oakland.
- A three-wheeled version will be deployed later and equipped with ClevrNAV technology.
- Mr. Conner presented on behalf of Lime:
  - Braille-based feedback system
  - Examining options that address mobility challenges:
    - Difficulty standing on e-scooters for extended distances
    - A need for greater support through the addition of a seat
    - Including storage that allows users an ability to carry vital medical equipment or mobility devices, like a cane, braces or oxygen equipment and accessories
- Mr. Patel updated on Lyft's adaptive bike share pilot programs in Oakland and San Francisco.
  - Based on lessons learned, Lyft will try to solve for the following:
    - Make balance easier
    - Provide stable seating
    - Address unique cargo needs
    - Allow for tandem riding
    - Improve the mobile app experience
  - Potential adaptive device:
    - Firefly mobility attachment
- Motion to extend meeting for 30 minutes for Commissioner feedback and public comment: Sperling  
 Seconded by Gregory  
 Ayes - 7: Garner, Gregory, Lynne, Meshack, Meu, Nakamura, Sperling

- Feedback from Commissioners included combining solutions from all companies to create more comprehensive adaptive devices.
- Feedback from members of the public included strict geofencing to prevent further impediments for persons with disabilities due to scooters on sidewalks, both parked and moving.

X. Staff Updates and Announcements; *Anh Nguyen, ADA Programs Division Manager*

- None

XI. Future Agenda Items

- A. Objective 1.1: Accessibility in the Bike Share Program
- B. Objective 1.2: Disabled Parking Spaces and Abuse of Disabled Parking Placards
- C. Objective 1.3: Accessibility of Fixed-Route Transit Systems in Oakland
- D. Objective 1.4: Reliability and Customer Service of Paratransit Systems in Oakland
- E. Objective 1.5: Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles in the Taxi Program and Transportation Network Companies
- F. Objective 1.6: Oakland's Complete Streets Program
- G. Objective 2.1: Oakland Police Department Crisis Intervention Training (CIT)
- H. Objective 2.2: Oakland Fire Department, Emergency Management Services Division Overview of Methods for Addressing Access and Functional Needs During an Emergency and Natural Disasters
- I. Objective 3.1: Update on Community Outreach
- J. Objective 4.1: ADA Transition Plan, including Curb Ramp and Sidewalk Repair

- K. Objective 4.2: Equitable Prioritization of Measure KK Funds for Public Infrastructure Improvements
- L. Objective 5.1: Measure KK Funds for Home Modifications to Enhance Accessibility
- M. Objective 5.2: Identify and Reduce Number of Homeless Persons with Disabilities in Oakland

**XII. Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.**