



City of Oakland

Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)

Monday, January 24th, 2021

5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. via Zoom Conference

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Commissioners: Howard Tevelson (Chair), Cathy Eberhardt (Vice Chair), Noah Smith (Vice Chair), Thomas Gregory, Erin Hattersley, Ayanna Keeton, Marjorie Lynne, Leonard Moore, Karen Nakamura, Frank Sperling

Commission staff: Anh Nguyen, ADA Programs Division Manager; Karen Denicore, ADA Program Analyst I

Agenda

- 5:30 1. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum,
Teleconference Protocol
- 5:35 2. Open Forum
Any person may directly address the Commission on any items within the jurisdiction of this Commission not on the agenda for today. Speakers wishing to address a specific item on the agenda may do so when invited at the time the item is being considered.
- 5:45 3. Agenda Modification
MCPD Commissioners may move around the agenda items to better conduct the meeting.
4. Approval of December 2021 Minutes (**Exhibit A**)
5. Re-adoption of 2021 Virtual Meeting Resolution (**Exhibit B**)
- 5:50 6. Commissioner's Announcements
(discussion not allowed on this item)
- 6:00 7. MCPD Meeting Schedule for 2022 (**Exhibit C**)

- 6:05 8. MCPD Commissioner Handbook Introduction (**Exhibit D**)
- 6:20 9. Finalize 2022 Strategic Plan with actions and assignments (**Exhibit E**)
- 7:15 10. Staff Updates and Announcements

Future Agenda Items

Staff will share update on agenda items for upcoming meetings.

See MCPD scheduler at tinyurl.com/MCPD-AgendaPlanner.
Suggestions for future agenda items are also welcome at adaprograms@oaklandca.gov.

- 7:30 11. Adjournment
(Meeting shall end no later than 7:30 p.m., unless extended by majority vote of the Commission.)

Note: The Commission May Take Action on Any Item on the Agenda

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Exhibit A

City of Oakland

Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)

Monday, December 20th, 2021 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

NOTE: Approved minutes and video recordings are posted at <https://www.oaklandca.gov/boards-commissions/mayors-commission-on-persons-with-disabilities/meetings>

Commissioners: Noah Smith (Chair), Thomas Gregory (Vice Chair),
Cathy Eberhardt, Marjorie Lynne, Karen Nakamura, Frank Sperling, and
Howard Tevelson, Ayanna Keeton, Leonard Moore

Commission staff: Anh Nguyen, ADA Programs Division Manager; Karen Denicore, ADA Program Analyst I

Presenters: Yvonna Cazares

Other attendees (from webinar Attendee list):, Ofurhe Igbinedion, Sheela Gunn-Cushman, Chonita Chew, Samantha Columbus, Emma Martin, Krystal Farmer, Karen Pernet

Agenda

Meeting called to order by Chair Smith at 7:34 PM. At roll call, quorum was established with 8 of ten commissioners present (x).

Commissioners	Present (x)
Noah Smith (Chair)	x
Thomas Gregory (Vice-Chair)	late/excused
Cathy Eberhardt	x
Marjorie Lynne	x
Karen Nakamura	x
Frank Sperling	x
Howard Tevelson	x
Ayanna Keeton	x
Leonard Moore	x

Exhibit A

Agenda was adopted as published with a motion from Commission Chair Smith and unanimous approval.

November 2021 Minutes adopted with a motion from Commissioner Eberhardt, a second from Commissioner Sperling and unanimous approval.

The 2021 Virtual Meeting Resolution was re-adopted with a motion from Commission Chair Smith, a second from Commissioner Eberhardt and a yes vote from all 8 commissioners present.

Commissioners	Yes	No	Abstain
Noah Smith (Chair)	x		
Thomas Gregory (Vice-Chair)	late		
Cathy Eberhardt	x		
Marjorie Lynne	x		
Karen Nakamura	x		
Frank Sperling	x		
Ayanna Keeton	x		
Leonard Moore	x		
Howard Tevelson	x		

Commissioner's Announcements

- Commissioner Sperling requests that the 2022 Meeting Schedule be placed on the January 2022 meeting agenda.
- Commission Chair Smith asked when the MCPD Commissioner Handbook would be shared with the commission.

2022 Chair and Vice-Chair Elections

- Commissioner Tevelson was elected to serve as the 2022 Commission Chair with yes votes from all 8 commissioners present.
- Commissioners Eberhardt and Smith were elected to serve as the 2022 Commission Co Vice Chairs with yes votes from all 8 commissioners present.

Exhibit A

Open Forum

Sheela Gunn-Cushman stated that:

- There is not appropriate access to covid testing for pwds who do not have access to a personal vehicle.
- Oakland Housing Authority has accessibility issues for applicants and tenants.

Strategic Planning Review and Update facilitated by Yvonna Cazares

MCPD began a review and assessment of their 2021 strategic goals to discuss their continued relevance, consider the planned and achieved actions on the part of the commission, and propose actions steps and assignments for 2022.

The meeting was extended by 10 minutes to 7:40 with a motion from Commissioner Sperling and a second from Commissioner Gregory

Staff Announcements

Anh Nguyen made announcements:

DOJ Lawsuit of UBER 2 minutes to board policy

"Cal OES/DOR - Emergency Preparedness Guide/Toolkit for Individuals with Disabilities" was developed via a joint initiative between the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) and the California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR).

City Council is considering an emergency proof of vaccination ordinance at their December 21st meeting.

Future and proposed meeting agenda items can be accessed here:

[MCPD Agenda/Schedule, http://tinyurl.com/MCPD-AgendaPlanner - Google Sheets](http://tinyurl.com/MCPD-AgendaPlanner - Google Sheets)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35.

December 2021 Minutes attachment; Updates and Announcements

Alameda County Health Care Services Agency Public Health Department

The current omicron variant and Covid situation is a moving target. Stay informed and as up to date as possible using these resources.

Here is the website home for Covid 19 information: [Home | COVID-19 | Alameda County Public Health Department \(acgov.org\)](#)

Here is the page to find local testing clinics: [Testing | COVID-19 | Alameda County Public Health \(acgov.org\)](#)

- There are many testing sites now available and folks without vehicles may be able to find one close enough to access without transportation assistance.

Here are the instructions for when to isolate or quarantine: [COVID-19 Quarantine and Isolation | CDC](#)

Here is what Alameda County directs on this page: [Isolation & Quarantine | COVID-19 | Alameda County Public Health \(acgov.org\)](#)

“Vaccinated people with an exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 are not required to quarantine if they meet all of the following criteria:

- It has been at least 2 weeks since your final vaccine dose—final vaccine dose means the 2nd dose in a 2-dose series (such as Pfizer, Moderna, or a WHO-authorized vaccine like Covishield or AstraZeneca), or one dose of a single-dose vaccine (Johnson & Johnson).
- AND**
- Have no symptoms of COVID-19 since the last close contact

Even without symptoms, vaccinated people are encouraged to test 5-7 days after their exposure to a COVID-19 case. If your result is positive, or you develop any symptoms of COVID, you must immediately isolate and contact your healthcare provider or the public health department for isolation guidance.”

City of Oakland is also offering a walk-up site for Testing and Vaccinations with the full info here: [City of Oakland | Covid Clinic Re-Opens Site in Downtown Oakland \(oaklandca.gov\)](#)

California Department of Public Health (<https://myturn.ca.gov/>)

There is an option for in-home vaccination and free transportation. This site is run by California Department of Public Health so it may be worth reaching out to them or calling their COVID-19 hotline to find out if there is similar assistance available for testing: 1-833-422-4255 (M-F 8AM-8PM, Sat-Sun 8AM-5PM).

December 2021 Minutes attachment; Updates and Announcements

California Foundation for Independent Living Centers (CFILC) also may be able to offer assistance with testing. If you or someone you know with a disability would like assistance in securing a vaccine appointment or needs someone to talk to about vaccine options, please email disabilityorganizing@cfilc.org or call 1 (877) 427-0387. If you need transportation or a vaccine to come to you at your home, CFILC can provide assistance.

"Cal OES/DOR - Emergency Preparedness Guide/Toolkit for Individuals with Disabilities" was developed via a joint initiative between the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) and the California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR).

The publication, which provides guidance for individuals with disabilities on how to increase preparedness for disasters and emergencies, offers substantial amplification of AFN-specific guidance.

This product is available for download on the Cal OES AFN Library using the following link: <https://www.caloes.ca.gov/AccessFunctionalNeedsSite/AFNLibrary/Cal%20OES%20and%20DOR%20-%20AFN%20Disaster%20Preparedness%20Guide.pdf>

UBER's "2 Minutes to Board" Policy

The Justice Department is looking to hear from people with disabilities who may have been harmed by UBER's "2 minutes to board" policy. This policy gives riders only two minutes to enter a car, even if they need longer because of their disability. For example, individuals who may need to place a wheelchair in the back of the car or board a service animal are not given more time.

The Justice Department filed a lawsuit against UBER. The lawsuit claims this policy is illegal. You can read more about the lawsuit [here](#). The Department is asking people with disabilities who believe they have been subjected to this policy to contact them.

You can reach the Justice Department at 833-591-0425 (phone and TTY) or 202-305-6786, or by e-mail at Uber.Fee@usdoj.gov.

You can also send a communication by regular mail to this address:

U.S. Department of Justice
Civil Rights Division
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
4CON, 9th Floor
Washington, DC 20530

Exhibit B

OAKLAND Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)

January 2022 VIRTUAL MEETING RESOLUTION

ADOPT A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT CONDUCTING IN-PERSON MEETINGS OF THE MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (MCPD) AND ITS COMMITTEES WOULD PRESENT IMMINENT RISKS TO ATTENDEES' HEALTH, AND ELECTING TO CONTINUE CONDUCTING MEETINGS USING TELECONFERENCING IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e), A PROVISION OF AB-361.

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency related to COVID-19, pursuant to Government Code Section 8625, and such declaration has not been lifted or rescinded. See <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.4.20-Coronavirus-SOE-Proclamation.pdf>

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the City Administrator in their capacity as the Director of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), issued a proclamation of local emergency due to the spread of COVID-19 in Oakland, and on March 12, 2020, the City Council passed Resolution No. 88075 C.M.S. ratifying the proclamation of local emergency pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code (O.M.C.) section 8.50.050(C); and

WHEREAS, City Council Resolution No. 88075 remains in full force and effect to date; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends physical distancing of at least six (6) feet whenever possible, avoiding crowds, and avoiding spaces that do not offer fresh air from the outdoors, particularly for people who are not fully vaccinated or who are at higher risk of getting very sick from COVID-19. See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>;

WHEREAS, the CDC recommends that people who live with unvaccinated people avoid activities that make physical distancing hard. See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/about-covid-19/caring-for-children/families.html>;

WHEREAS, the CDC recommends that older adults limit in-person interactions as much as possible, particularly when indoors. See <https://www.cdc.gov/aging/covid19/covid19-older-adults.html>;

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WHEREAS, the CDC, the California Department of Public Health, and the Alameda County Public Health Department all recommend that people experiencing COVID-19 symptoms stay home. See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>;

WHEREAS, persons without symptoms may be able to spread the COVID-19 virus. See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>;

WHEREAS, fully vaccinated persons who become infected with the COVID-19 Delta variant can spread the virus to others. See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html>;

WHEREAS, the City's public-meeting facilities are indoor facilities that do not designed to ensure circulation of fresh / outdoor air, particularly during periods of cold and/or rainy weather, and were not designed to ensure that attendees can remain six (6) feet apart; now therefore be it:

WHEREAS, holding in-person meetings would encourage community members to come to City facilities to participate in local government, and some of them would be at high risk of getting very sick from COVID-19 and/or would live with someone who is at high risk; and

WHEREAS, in-person meetings would tempt community members who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms to leave their homes in order to come to City facilities and participate in local government; and

WHEREAS, attendees would use ride-share services and/or public transit to travel to in-person meetings, thereby putting them in close and prolonged contact with additional people outside of their households; and

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2021 the Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD) adopted a resolution determining that conducting in-person meetings would present imminent risks to attendees' health, and electing to continue conducting meetings using teleconferencing in accordance with California Government Code Section 54953(e), a provision of AB-361; now therefore be it:

RESOLVED: that the MCPD finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and hereby adopts and incorporates them into this Resolution; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that, based on these determinations and consistent with federal, state and local health guidance, the MCPD determines that conducting in-person meetings would pose imminent risks to the health of attendees; and be it

Exhibit B

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the MCPD firmly believes that the community's health and safety seriously and the community's right to participate in local government, are both critically important, and is committed to balancing the two by continuing to use teleconferencing to conduct public meetings, in accordance with California Government Code Section 54953(e), a provision of AB-361; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the MCPD will renew these (or similar) findings at least every thirty (30) days in accordance with California Government Code section 54953(e) until the state of emergency related to COVID-19 has been lifted, or the MCPD finds that in-person meetings no longer pose imminent risks to the health of attendees, whichever is occurs first.

Exhibit C

Proposed 2022 MCPD Meeting Calendar

Month	Date	Monday
January	January 24, 2022	4th
February	February 28, 2022	4th
March	March 21, 2022	3rd
April	April 18, 2022	3rd
May	May 16, 2022	3rd
June	June 20, 2022	3rd
July	July 18, 2022	3rd
August	August 15, 2022	3rd
September	September 19, 2022	3rd
*October	October 17, 2022	3rd
November	November 21, 2022	3rd
December	December 19, 2022	3rd

* Retreat (In Person) Saturday in October 2022? 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Exhibit D

MCPD Commissioner Handbook

A supplement to The City of Oakland [Board & Commission Member Handbook](#)

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City of Oakland Citywide Priorities

1. *Holistic community safety*
2. *Housing, economic, and cultural security*
3. *Vibrant, sustainable infrastructure*
4. *Responsive, trustworthy government*

Incorporated by reference (click on Title below to access online):

[Board & Commission Member Handbook](#)

[Board and Commission Member Essentials](#)

[Public Ethics Commission \(PEC\) Overview of Governing Laws and Policies](#)

[Government Ethics for Public Servants](#)

[ADA Title II Regulations](#)

[City of Oakland FY 2021-2023 Adopted Policy Budget](#)

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January 2022

Dear MCPD Commissioner,

Thank you for serving on the Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD).

This handbook was created to serve as a guide as you navigate your role as an MCPD Commissioner. This document is provided as a supplement to the City of Oakland's Public Ethics Commissions [Board & Commission Member Handbook](#).

Here you will find information about the history and background of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the role of ADA Programs Division, MCPD roles and responsibilities, and the protocol and guidelines for MCPD meetings.

As we move forward with virtual meetings as our safest option to meet on an indefinite basis, it is time to put attention on meeting protocols and procedures. We have seen more public participation on the virtual platform and clear meeting procedures with strong facilitation can assure that meetings remain on topic and timely, encourage multiple points of view, and ensure that clear decisions are made.

Members must remain aware that they represent the Commission and conduct themselves in a manner that reflects the spirit and goals of the Commission. MCPD meetings are public, televised, and recorded. Professional appearance, tone, and attitude are mandatory, despite the virtual nature of the meetings. Commissioners must always remain aware of the camera and microphone and avoid inadvertent, unprofessional actions or vocalizations.

Commissioners should always be prepared for meetings, familiar with the current agenda items under consideration, and ready to engage in discussion about them. They should plan to report on their own activities to further the strategic plan, goals, and objectives of the Commission.

In this handbook, the roles of the officers and the commissioners are fleshed out and the section on Roles, Responsibilities, and Protocols contains an Overview of the Roles of the Chair and Commissioners in Meetings. It is important that each Commissioner read and understand these best practices fully and have a clear understanding of how to conduct and participate in fair and effective public meetings.

This goal has been led by Chair Tevelson since 2017 / Commissioner Nakamura will support 2022

1.1 MCPD will continue to provide input and monitor OPD policies and procedures concerning PWD to include Domain 37 training and CIT.

Keep and broaden this goal to rise to what opportunities present themselves in current situation?

“Because this is a deeply intersectional issue- race/poverty/disability/environmental issues and PWDs inordinately find themselves victims of escalated police violence because of their disabilities, this goal needs to be broadened to establish relationships with the DVP, MACRO, and other first responders to extend monitoring from policies and procedures to include actual outcomes.”

(New) Actions for 2022

Karen Nakamura to assist with on this goal with engaging DVP, MACRO, First Responders, Yvonna will help with the connection with DVP which has not responded to past outreach.

Actions taken in 2021

- The role of MCPD is transitioned to liaison and oversight on this goal.
- Commissioner Tevelson informed the Police Commission and the Dept. of Violence prevention that he is the MCPD Liaison/ This goal will get more attention w/help from Yvonna as there has been no response from DVP
- Commissioner Tevelson attended Department of Violence Prevention Town Halls held in February and March of 2021
- A letter was composed and sent to the Police Commission expressing MCPD concerns and demands.
- The letter received a response from the ED of the Community Police Review Agency who had received it from Yvonna Cazares

Barriers and Issues

Much is still unknown about how things will move forward. It is difficult to make specific plans on a professional and a personal level, it might be okay to keep goals broader and see where opportunities present themselves. (Sperling)

This goal has been led by Commissioners Lynne and Nakamura since 2018

1.2 MCPD will advocate for improved safety services for the disability community and the community in general in the face of emergencies and natural disasters. Increasingly poor air quality and the need for clean air refuges is a specific concern and a permanent issue going forward. Accessible shelters and transportation to them are critical to community safety.

It seems like this goal is still needed?

(New) Actions for 2022

Have CRIL present to MCPD to expand upon the DDAR (Disability Disaster Access and Resources) program that would provide direct services to Alameda County residents. Describe what services are available directly through CRIL for both PSPS and non-PSPS and how to obtain them and expand on other relevant CRIL programs and services.

Actions planned for 2021

- MCPD will reach out to OFD/ OES to arrange to co-host a community safety town hall **/keep this and try again (Nakamura)**
- By 12/31/2021 MCPD will identify service gaps in the emergency response system and report them to the Mayor and City Council.
- MCPD will advocate for accessible clean air safe spaces and accessible transportation to them.

Actions taken in 2021

- PG&E representatives made a presentation on the Community Wildfire Safety Program, community resource centers in Alameda county, their additional support for access and functional needs customers, and their Disability Disaster Access and Resources Program
- Emergency Management Services Division staff presented updated draft plans and policies for adults with functional needs (AFNS) for emergency preparedness and during shelter evacuations to the commission for input.

Barriers and Issues

PG&E customer service not aware of outside contracted services and cannot refer
Poor outreach leaves most completely unaware of available resources
Accessibility issues with accessing information online

This goal has been led by Commissioners Tevelson and Sperling since 2021

2.1 MCPD will provide input to the City regarding Oakland’s ongoing development and implementation of its ADA Transition Plan.

The commission will continue to recommend to the City Council, City staff, and the Mayor’s Office the need to maintain and enhance the effectiveness of the ADA division by restoring and adding funding for services and programs.

It is critical that the ADA Programs Division have a more autonomous position within the City department hierarchy to better monitor the ADA Transition Plan progress and assist City Departments with recommendations to meet their individual compliance requirements.

Must always keep this goal. First point describes mission of MCPD. Critical in terms of funding and advocacy. Budget will be readdressed this upcoming year.

(New) Actions for 2022

Participate in mayoral debates/and forums and find out how candidates intend to handle MCPD and place ADA Programs Division? (MCPD feels ADA Programs should be under the mayor, not OakDOT)

Look for natural allies, like labor groups, who are hosting forums and panels.

Include 2.1 second and third points in the Annual report from MCPD to Life Enrichment Committee and all other relevant communications.

Make a call to action, Lobby City Council Members

Actions planned for 2021

- The MCPD will support staff work to achieve this goal
- The Commission will advocate during the City Council and staff and Mayor’s Office Budget Engagement Process by sending letters from current and previous chairs with the recommendations of the Commission and following up to assure that the recommendations are received and considered.
- MCPD representatives will make a presentation to the Life Enrichment Committee of the Oakland City Council.

Actions taken in 2021

Issues and Barriers

Limited bandwidth of LEC agenda who asked such reports to go directly to city council. Should MCPD be doing their work on LEC? Is this the best body to work with? They are non-responsive in the past.

Issues with accessibility in regard to public access to budget meetings/per Sheela Gunn-Cushman

Commissioner Gregory has had the lead on this goal since 2018/ Termed out 2021

3.1 MCPD will advocate to ensure the accessibility and affordability of housing in Oakland.

Both the funding and the universal design areas will need leadership to move forward

(New) Actions for 2022

Continue to advocate during every budget cycle for funding for accessibility modifications

Participate in General Plan community engagement process just kicking off to promote Universal Design. (Staff starting this process have already reached out to connect with MCPD)

Consider approach to get COO to consider a Universal Design Ordinance
Get the approach model used by the City of Alameda for Oakland to proceed with adopting of UD ordinance

City of Alameda is a good partner because they are interested in promoting UD

Facilitate meeting with Alameda Sarah Henry and Bill Gilchrist or Joanna Winter?

In 2018 P&B presented Downtown Specific Plan with equity specific group with members of disability community made a recommendation to include UD Guidelines city wide.

Commissioner Nakamura worked with Alameda in their process and is well informed to present and promote to LEC and City Departments

Action planned for 2021

- MCPD will invite the Director of Housing and Community Development to brief the commission on the specific City of Oakland requirements for housing developers to include both affordable and accessible housing in their planning.

Actions taken in 2021

- Commissioner Gregory reports that \$500K supposedly provided by Measure W and the \$500K supposedly provided by Measure KK for home modifications was not all received by HCD. They were unaware of the \$500K that they did have and did not spend it. That has now been made available to HCD but even added to the current budget it will not be enough to even cover the current wait list.

- Alameda’s Communications and Legislative Affairs Officer, Sarah Henry, and Commissioner Beth Kenny from their Commission on Persons with Disabilities made a presentation to MCPD on the Universal Design Ordinance adopted by the City of Alameda in 2017.

Issues and Barriers

Still more requests for rehab than funds available even with “finding” \$500,000

Grants and loans are usually not made available to renters, who make up a large portion of the disabled community. MCPD wants to see grants made available to renters.

Commissions Smith (2018) and Eberhardt (2021) have led this goal

3.2 Whereas the MCPD recognizes a high prevalence of homeless individuals living in Oakland are also PWDs, often disconnected from services, and whereas the MCPD recognizes a responsibility to represent the voices of all PWDs living in the city, the MCPD will collaborate with official activities and initiatives addressing homelessness in the city, with the objective to improve conditions for and/or reduce the number of PWDs who are homeless in Oakland.

Keep this goal. Not enough affordable housing to place homeless in permanent housing

(New) Actions for 2022

Follow up with General Plan about need for affordable housing and need to address homelessness

Reach out during mid-cycle budget process

Will EBALDC/ MidPen be willing to share their concerns about lack of affordable housing with the general plan development and/or mid-cycle budget process?
(Commissioner Eberhardt)

Action planned for 2021

MCPD will maintain a dialogue with homeless services to be updated on the status and needs of unhoused PWDs. / Yvonna to provide a contact with COO Homeless services/ Laura Tannenbaum

Actions taken in 2021

Commissioner Eberhardt arranged presentations from two local community development agencies, EBALDC and MidPen, who described their agencies policies and practices on the accessibility of their communities, how they prioritize appropriate housing for low-income persons with disabilities, agency efforts to address homelessness in general and specifically for unhoused persons with disabilities, and what collaborations and suggestions they have to address the number of unhoused residents in the community

Issues and Barriers

AC county has the majority of funds for homeless issues/ COO HSD HRC contracts with organizations to to homeless outreach (City Team, BACs,)

<p>Commissioners Smith and Lynne have led this goal since 2020</p> <p>3.3 Renters Rights: Ensure Oakland renters with disabilities have access to the same financial and/or civic benefits afforded to Oakland homeowners with disabilities.</p> <p>Keep this.</p>
<p>(New) Actions for 2022</p> <p>Chanee Minor, Rent Adjustment Program Manager in HCD, is a good contact for rent control measures. Yvonna can connect.</p>
<p>Actions taken in 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commission Chair Smith began a dialogue with the Oakland City Attorney and found that they were already interested in working on an elevator ordinance and will bring it to the commission as soon as they have completed their internal review process. <p>Action planned for 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MCPD will examine how current and proposed rent control measures could impact the availability of accessible rent-controlled housing for PWDs. / there is still a lawsuit against the city for the lack of accessible rent-controlled housing for pwds.
<p>Issues and Barriers</p> <p>There is still a lawsuit against the city re: the lack of rent-controlled housing for PWDs</p>