



City of Oakland

Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)
Monday, July 18, 2022 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. via Zoom Conference

Minutes

Commissioners: Howard Tevelson (Chair), Cathy Eberhardt (Vice Chair), Noah Smith (Vice Chair), Erin Hattersley, Ayanna Keeton, Marjorie Lynne, Leonard Moore, Kyle O'Malley

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

Presenters: Fatimah Aure - The Kelsey, Edgar Arellano – GRID Alternatives, Linda Khamoushian – GRID Alternatives, Michael Randolph - OakDOT

Other attendees (from webinar Attendee list): Cynthia Ibarra, Patricia Tam, Midori Tabata, Emma Martin (TheCIL), Ofurhe Igbinedion, Maya Amichai, Barry Robinson, LGonzales, Joe

Meeting called to order by Chair Tevelson at 5:35 pm. At roll call, quorum was not established with 5 of eight commissioners present (X)

Commissioners	Present (x)
Howard Tevelson (Chair)	X
Cathy Eberhardt (Vice Chair)	X
Noah Smith (Vice Chair)	Late
Erin Hattersley	X
Ayanna Keeton	Absent
Marjorie Lynne	X
Leonard Moore	Late
Kyle O'Malley	X

There were no speakers for Open Forum.

Commissioner's Announcements

- Commissioner Kyle O'Malley, who was appointed on June 21, 2022 introduced himself to the commission. His bio is available on the MCPD webpage.

- Chair Tevelson was not able to meet with the police chief as planned but did meet with Deputy Chief Clifford Wong, Bureau of Risk, who seemed supportive of increasing mandatory domain 37 training to include invisible disabilities. He also seems to consider that the optional CIT training for more experienced officers should be considered more “mandatory”.
- Officer Doria Neff is no longer in charge of training.
- Chair Tevelson would like a presentation from OPD by the end of the year.
- Chair Tevelson has contacted one candidate for mayor who is familiar with the issues of persons with disabilities and supports the MCPD recommendation to move ADA programs to the Office of the City Administrator. This candidate asked for his endorsement as MCPD Chair. He has an appointment with another candidate and will be contacting all of them.
- The Chair requests that each commissioner reach out to other candidates who are running in their own districts.

Quorum of six was established when Vice Chair Smith checked in at 5:42 pm.

The agenda was accepted without modification and approved with unanimous voice consent

April 2022 Minutes were adopted with a motion from Commissioner Eberhardt, a second from Commissioner Lynne, and unanimous voice consent.

May 2022 meeting notes were approved with a motion from Commissioner Eberhardt, a second from Commissioner Hattersley, and unanimous voice consent

June 2022 meeting notes were approved with a motion from Commissioner Eberhardt, a second from Commissioner Tevelson, and unanimous voice consent.

The 2021 Virtual Meeting Resolution was re-adopted with a motion from Commissioner Eberhardt, and second from Commissioner Smith, with 7 yes votes from the seven commissioners present.

Commissioners	Yes	No	Abstain
Howard Tevelson (Chair)	X		
Cathy Eberhardt (Vice Chair)	X		
Noah Smith (Vice Chair)	X		
Erin Hattersley	X		
Ayanna Keeton	Absent		
Marjorie Lynne	X		
Leonard Moore	X		
Kyle O'Malley	X		

Fatimah Aure from The Kelsey presented Housing Design Standards for Accessibility and Inclusion. This defines a set of multifamily housing design and operations strategies. Co-created by advocates, developers, and architects, the elements support cross-disability accessibility and link disability-forward design choices to intersectional benefits around affordability, sustainability, racial equity, and safety. Development teams can use the Design Standards to plan and design their projects, then self-certify their communities on their level of access and inclusion. Details can be found in Exhibit E.

- Commissioner O'Malley found the download of the standards and was able to download the full pdf version but not the google doc version using the link. Asked about any current goal to expand from housing but that is not on the table at this time.
- Commissioner Smith asked about the timeframe to provide feedback and Fatimah says that the Kelsey hopes to publish Design Standards 2.0 at the top of next year. It would be good to get feedback by the end of the year.
- Commissioner Hattersley asked about the process to bring a Kelsey development to Oakland.
- The City of San Jose issues NOFAs with extra points for housing developers who are actively using the Kelsey design standards.

- Every locality has different codes and processes, and many developers and architects are only interested in doing the minimum.
- Chair Tevelson wants to know what departments Kelsey works with on their projects. They work with the housing department and ADA programs in San Francisco and San Jose. They are currently hoping for a third development outside of California.

GRID Alternatives Oakland E-Bike Library Program project was presented by Edgar Arellano. GRID Alternatives is in the process of planning an E-Bike Library program for Oakland communities impacted by economic and environmental injustices. Survey is available here: bit.ly/ebikelibrarysurvey

- Commissioner Eberhardt wondered if the program would be like the bikes that are already on the street. What is the difference, is it just the design.
- That will depend on what the community says is important to them and it will look different. They do want to know what is needed in terms of adaptive vehicles from this commission.
- Commissioner O'Malley asked about the plan for storefronts as points for loaning out bikes and assuring that the right of way is maintained. The storefront locations help avoid that to some degree.
- Chair Tevelson stated that there must be adaptive vehicles for people with disabilities. Thinks bike rentals are not working for pwds because of the difficulty of picking them up and dropping them off. The cost must also be very low.
- Commissioner Smith brought up the need for somewhere to stow assistive equipment, possibly a locker or a check in option.
- Anh Nguyen referred GRID alternatives to a Shared Mobility Accessibility Study and recommended reaching out to community based organizations providing adaptive vehicles and forming focus groups.
- Commissioner Moore asked about the availability of double bikes for those with vision impairments and recommended a partnership with a

transportation company to transport residents to the location of the bikes.

The 2022 MCPD Strategic Plan Goals were adopted with a motion from Commissioner Eberhardt, and second from Commissioner Smith, with 7 verbal yes votes from the seven commissioners present

The commission received and approved the MCPD Annual Report from the Chair to the Life Enrichment Committee (LEC) of the Oakland City Council

Staff Updates and Announcements

- The City of Oakland has made a job offer for the open ADA programs position.
- Commissioner recruitment update- ADA has received responses to their vacancy notices from all city council districts except 2 & 3, Mayors office running notice in weekly briefings and D7 included in summer newsletter.
- Flex Street Parklet guidelines are open for review to 7/31/22.

Future Agenda Items

Tentative:

- OakDOT with ZEV and a parking situation on Underhills Road in August
- OFD with MACRO and EMSD in September
- Chair Smith reports that the City Attorney is really busy but should have more availability after July to present the elevator ordinance.
- Chair Tevelson would like to hear from BART regarding their ADA policies.

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

The meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 7:12 pm.