



**Meeting Minutes - Final**

**Advisory Commission on Disabilities**

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**Wednesday, November 4, 2020**

**6:30 PM**

**On Zoom Due to COVID**

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**CITY OF NAPERVILLE PUBLIC MEETINGS UPDATE:**

On Friday, June 12, 2020, an amendment to the Open Meetings Act was signed into law. This new law replaces the gubernatorial executive order concerning the Open Meetings Act and allows public bodies to temporarily conduct meetings remotely during a state of emergency, subject to certain requirements, including a determination by the head of the public body that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent.

On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, Mayor Chirico issued an executive order determining that in-person meetings of the City Council and the City's boards and commissions are not currently practical or prudent due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Accordingly, the Advisory Commission on Disabilities meeting scheduled for November 4, 2020 will be conducted remotely. The means by which the public may watch, listen, and/or participate in the meeting are described below.

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**PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES:**

All viewpoints are welcome. Positive comments and constructive criticism are encouraged. Speakers must refrain from harassing or directing threats or personal attacks at Commissioners, staff, other speakers or members of the public. Comments made to intentionally disrupt the meeting may be managed as necessary to maintain appropriate decorum and allow for city business to be accomplished.

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**A. CALL TO ORDER:****B. ROLL CALL:**

Barb Stark's absence from the meeting was discussed. Chairman Briggs indicated that Commissioner Stark had resigned from the ACD the previous day. In an email, she wished the commissioners well.

Each member of the commission introduced themselves and welcomed the new student representatives to the commission. The students also spoke about themselves and their own personal interests in serving on the Advisory Commission for Disabilities.

**Present** 4 - Mikel Briggs, A. Rae Elegant, Daniel Fumagalli, and Michael Heyden

**Excused** 2 - Paul Hinterlong, and Barbara Ann Stark

**Absent** 1 - Suhel Siddiqui

**C. PUBLIC FORUM:**

There was one member of public that attended the meeting and spoke. Mr. Gary Smith, Chairman of the Accessible Community Task Force, spoke and provided an ACTF update to the commissioners. Mr. Smith acknowledged that Barb Stark did indeed resign from both the ACD and the ACTF. In her absence, he would provide liaison functions between ACD and ACTF.

Although the pandemic has made their work more difficult, the ACTF did work with the League of Women Voters to try and improve voting conditions for those with disabilities, spoke with the Disabilities Alliance of Northern Illinois on effective ways to reach out to the community, particularly through job fairs, and has been interacting with the Diversity and Inclusion Committee of the Naperville Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Smith indicated that the ACTF is exploring options for promoting improved visitability requirements for buildings in Naperville, particularly the no-step entry requirement. The ACTF has been advocating for more affordable housing for those with disabilities and has been discussing options for increasing funding at a city level for those with mental illness. They have also been working with the Naperville Park District on providing accessible playground equipment.

Mr. Smith noted that the Naperville City Council proclaimed October to be National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

Mr. Smith thanked Barb Stark for all her years working with the ACTF and noted that she will be missed.

**D. REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Approve the minutes of the August 5, 2020 ACD meeting.

**A motion was made by Elegant, seconded by Fumagalli, to approve the regular minutes of the August 5, 2020 meeting of the ACD. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

**Aye:** 4 - Briggs, Elegant, Fumagalli, and Heyden

**Excused:** 1 - Hinterlong, and Stark

**Absent:** 1 - Siddiqui

2. Receive a staff report regarding a public information effort to increase awareness of respecting accessible routes and parking spaces

Peter Zibble, TED Operations Manager, gave a brief overview of the city's recent efforts to engage the public and remind them that public sidewalks need to remain clear and unobstructed, and accessible parking spaces must be reserved for those that are legally permitted to use them.

**E. OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business to discuss.

**F: NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Briggs closed with thoughts on the role of the ACD. He noted that although the commission is set up discuss issues specific to city facilities, programs and services, there are often times that there is very little to discuss. He asked that the commissioner give some thought to the possibility of asking City Council to expand the scope of the commission's responsibilities.

**G. ADJOURNMENT:**

**A motion was made by Fumagalli, seconded by Elegant, to adjourn the meeting.  
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

**Aye:** 4 - Briggs, Elegant, Fumagalli, and Heyden

**Excused:** 1 - Hinterlong, and Stark

**Absent:** 1 - Siddiqui