

Santa Cruz County Commission on Disabilities

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Meeting Minutes

DATE: Thursday, September 9, 2021

TIME: 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM LOCATION: Remote Meeting

PRESENT: John Daugherty (1st District), Robert Schindler (1st District), Stacie Grijalva (2nd District),

Becky Taylor (3rd District), Richard Gubash (3rd District), Brenda Gutierrez Baeza (Vice Chair - 4th District), Michael Leimbach (4th District), David Molina (Chair - 5th District),

EXCUSED: Lynn Stipes (5th District)

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Kaite McGrew (Commissions Coordinator)
GUESTS: 1 member of the public was present.

1. Call to Order

Meeting convened at 12:32 PM.

2. Roll Call

3. Agenda Review

4. Approve August 12, 2021 Minutes

Motion to Approve Minutes

Motion/Second: Schindler/Daugherty

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment: None

6. New/Continuing Business:

6.1. Shared Adventure Mural Dedication at Ramsey Park

Steve Miller with Shared Adventures invited the Commission to attend the October 16th Mural dedication at Ramsey Park. Vice Chair Gutierrez Baeza will be one of the speakers. The mural, funded by a Santa Cruz County Arts Council grant, features athletes with disabilities and will be displayed on a wall facing the proposed all-abilities park site.

Motion to co-sponsor the mural dedication event

Motion/Second: Taylor/Daugherty

Motion passed unanimously.

6.2. Scotts Valley Palo Alto Medical Foundation Urgent Care Clinic Closure
Leimbach updated the Commission on the status of the PAMF Clinic closure and summarized alternative urgent care options.

6.3. Adaptive Swim Program Community Survey

Commission reviewed survey questions for a community survey designed to inform program priorities and offered feedback.

7. Commission Reports:

7.1. History Report: No Report

7.2. Legislation Report:

7.2.1. California Assembly Bill 361

Staff updated the Commission on the status of California Assembly Bill 361 which would allow Commissions to continue to meet remotely during a state of emergency. Should the bill pass, it would go into effect immediately.

8. Ad Hoc Subcommittee Updates:

- 8.1. Recreation Subcommittee
 - 8.1.1. Gutierrez Baeza reported on tabling at the County Park Friends community festival at Felt Street Park in Watsonville. This may become an annual event.

9. Staff Report

Staff reported that they were unable to locate any suitable outdoor venues for future meetings, but the question may be moot if AB 361 passes. Staff is meeting with County Counsel to determine the best way to formalize fundraising for EEO Commissions. In the interim, the Commission can continue to receive donations as we have done in past years.

10. Emerging Matters:

Fire season and potential rolling blackouts may begin to impact the disabilities community.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:17 PM.

Submitted by: Kaite McGrew, Commissions Coordinator