

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
CITIZENS' ADVISORY  
COMMISSION ON  
DISABILITIES MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2019  
SECOND THURSDAY, CITY COUNCIL  
CHAMBER  
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD, 1:00 PM**

Deaka McClain, Chair  
David Gauthier, Vice Chair  
Nubia Flores Cedeno, Secretary  
Alice Bruns, Member



Ciara Calsita, Member  
Sherry Diamond, Member  
Connie Gutierrez, Member  
Chris Karadjov, Member  
Jamone Pili, Member

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair McClain at 1:05 pm.

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners** Alice Bruns, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez, Nubia Flores  
**Present:** Cedeno and Deaka McClain

**Commissioners** Ciara Calsita, Chris Karadjov, Jamone Pili and David Gauthier  
**Absent:**

**FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by Commissioner Gutierrez.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

19-004CA Recommendation to approve minutes from the January 10, 2019 meeting of the Citizen's Advisory Commission on Disabilities.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Diamond, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Alice Bruns, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez, Nubia Flores Cedeno and Deaka McClain

**Absent:** 4 - Ciara Calsita, Chris Karadjov, Jamone Pili and David Gauthier

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

19-005CA      Recommendation to receive and file monthly report by the Youth, Employment & Programs standing committee and/or adopt any recommendations this committee would like to make.

Commissioner Gutierrez reported that there was no report for this month.

**A motion was made by Secretary Cedeno, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Alice Bruns, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez, Nubia Flores Cedeno and Deaka McClain

**Absent:** 4 - Ciara Calsita, Chris Karadjov, Jamone Pili and David Gauthier

19-006CA      Recommendation to receive and file monthly report by the Accessibility, Transportation & Services standing committee and/or adopt any recommendations this body would like to make.

Commissioner Diamond reported that there was a discussion to engage Parks & Recreation in a dialogue to possibly start identifying classes and programs in their catalogues that are designated as adaptive.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gutierrez, seconded by Commissioner Diamond, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Alice Bruns, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez, Nubia Flores Cedeno and Deaka McClain

**Absent:** 4 - Ciara Calsita, Chris Karadjov, Jamone Pili and David Gauthier

## **STAFF REPORT**

Citywide Accessibility Coordinator, Heather Blackmun, reported the following:

- The ADA Public Hearings related to the updated transition plan for the right-of-way would occur in March
- Abilities Expo was taking place on February 22-24 at the Los Angeles Convention Center
- City of Long Beach was working hard to get ready for Census 2020
- Disabled Resources Center would be having their annual gala on Thursday, May 16th, 2019

## **CHAIRPERSON AND/OR VICE CHAIR CLOSING REMARKS**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commission Cedeno announced the recent resolution passed by LBUSD on inclusive education practices.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Letter of recommendation to adopt a resolution for more inclusionary practices Citywide, mirrored after the recent resolution adopted by LBUSD for inclusionary education practices

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 pm.