

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

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2017  
SECOND THURSDAY, 1:00 P.M.,  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD, 1:00 PM**

David Gauthier, Chair  
Deaka McClain, Vice Chair  
Ciara Calsita, Member



Richard Hernandez, Member  
Chris Karadjov, Member  
Jessica Marquez, Member  
Jamone Pili, Member

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners** Ciara Calsita, Richard Hernandez, Jessica Marquez, Deaka

**Present:** McClain and David Gauthier

**Commissioners** Chris Karadjov and Jamone Pili

**Absent:**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

1. [17-077CA](#) Recommendation to approve minutes from the November 9, 2017 meeting of the Citizen's Advisory Commission on Disabilities.

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

**Yes:** 5 - Ciara Calsita, Richard Hernandez, Jessica Marquez, Deaka McClain and David Gauthier

**Absent:** 2 - Chris Karadjov and Jamone Pili

### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Youth, Employment & Programs - Commissioner Calsita reported that the committee is still working on a resources guide for the public.

Accessibility, Transportation & Services - Commissioner McClain reported that the committee had begun discussions on a future accessibility townhall.

### **AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Community Events ADA Checklist Ad-Hoc - Commissioner Calsita reported that the ad-hoc is still looking over the new ADA events checklist recently adopted by the City of Long Beach.

Calendar Ad-Hoc - Commissioner McClain suggested that this ad-hoc keep the MLK parade on the commission's radar for 2019.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

2. [17-078CA](#) Recommendation to continue discussion and approve sending a letter of recommendation to Mayor Garcia regarding specific accessible features at our City parks.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair McClain, seconded by Commissioner Calsita, to laid over. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Ciara Calsita, Richard Hernandez, Jessica Marquez, Deaka McClain and David Gauthier

**Absent:** 2 - Chris Karadjov and Jamone Pili

**STAFF REPORT**

Citywide ADA Coordinator Heather Blackmun reported that she is working with Mayor Garcia's office in filling the three vacancies currently on the commission.

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

Antonia Herrera, Library Services, was invited by Chair Gauthier to say a few words. Ms. Herrera reported that the ICPD (Main Library) had finished all of its assistive software upgrades. Ms. Herrera also reported that the new ICPD (at the new downtown library to open in 2019) will have a bigger area and more workstations/computers. The main library is already starting to prepare for the 2019 move.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:37 PM.