

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

**THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2019  
SECOND THURSDAY, CITY COUNCIL  
CHAMBER,  
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD, 1:00 PM**

Deaka McClain, Chair  
Nubia Flores Cedeno, Secretary  
Alice Bruns, Member  
Ciara Calsita, Member



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

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Secretary Nubia Cedeno at 1:02 pm.

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners** Alice Bruns, Ciara Calsita, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez,

**Present:** Chris Karadjov and Nubia Flores Cedeno

**Commissioners** Jamone Pili and Deaka McClain

**Absent:**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

## PRESENTATION

John Keisler, Director of the Department of Economic Development, presented the City's Blueprint for Economic Development (a catalyst for new and ongoing dialogue and cooperation among all stakeholders who view the creation of economic opportunities as fundamental to enhancing the quality of life in the City of Long Beach).

Sherry Diamond spoke.

Nubia Flores Cedeno spoke.

Chris Karadjov spoke.

Connie Gutierrez spoke.

**Commissioners** Alice Bruns, Ciara Calsita, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez,  
**Present:** Chris Karadjov and Nubia Flores Cedeno

**Commissioners** Jamone Pili and Deaka McClain  
**Absent:**

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. 19-009CA Recommendation to approve minutes from the February 14, 2019 meeting of the Citizen's Advisory Commission on Disabilities.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Alice Bruns, Ciara Calsita, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez, Chris Karadjov and Nubia Flores Cedeno

**Absent:** 2 - Jamone Pili and Deaka McClain

## STANDING COMMITTEE AND AD HOC REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

3. 19-010CA 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.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Alice Bruns, Ciara Calsita, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez, Chris Karadjov and Nubia Flores Cedeno

**Absent:** 2 - Jamone Pili and Deaka McClain

4. 19-011CA 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.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Alice Bruns, Ciara Calsita, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez, Chris Karadjov and Nubia Flores Cedeno

**Absent:** 2 - Jamone Pili and Deaka McClain

5. 19-012CA Recommendation to receive and file and/or approve any recommendations from the 'Stamped Concrete/Decorative Surfaces' ad hoc committee.

Commissioner Bruns reported that the City of Long Beach will no longer be using stamped concrete in the pedestrian path of travel. However, the City will not be removing any stamped concrete that is currently in place unless that area is part of a bigger "complete street" project and is non-compliant with current accessibility standards.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Alice Bruns, Ciara Calsita, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez, Chris Karadjov and Nubia Flores Cedeno

**Absent:** 2 - Jamone Pili and Deaka McClain

## NEW BUSINESS

6. 19-013CA Recommendation to request the Youth, Employment & Programs standing committee research and develop a resolution for inclusionary practices Citywide, to be brought back to the commission at a later date and voted on as a recommendation for Mayor Garcia and City Council.

Nubia Cedeno spoke.

Connie Gutierrez spoke.

**This CA-Agenda Item was approve recommendation.**

**Yes:** 6 - Alice Bruns, Ciara Calsita, Sherry Diamond, Connie Gutierrez, Chris Karadjov and Nubia Flores Cedeno

**Absent:** 2 - Jamone Pili and Deaka McClain

## STAFF REPORT

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Draft recommendations for Economic Blueprint
- Invite Lea Ericksen, Director of Technology & Innovation Department, to do a presentation related to digital inclusion
- Invite the Collge of Engineering from CSULB to do a presentation regarding the assistive technology lab

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:09 pm.