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## Disability Commission Minutes Tuesday January 10, 2023 4:00 PM

### Zoom Meeting

#### Members

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| Jeremy Macomber-Dubs, Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Councilor Marianne LaBarge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Keith Benoit, Staff <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Emma Cornwell, Vice Chair <input type="checkbox"/>              | Vacant <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Kathy Murri <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>         |
| Linda Kakos <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                 | Marilyn Clare <input type="checkbox"/>                         |   |
| Rodney Kunath <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               | Michael Morton <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>             |   |

1. Jeremy Macomber-Dubs, Chair, gave notice that the meeting was being recorded.
2. Ben Kalish from Forbes said that the Accessibility Advisory Board meeting, Jan, 24<sup>th</sup> 3-4 pm. Amy Sugihara said that she is happy with agenda items to discuss the trails and how to treat public comments.
3. December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 minutes were approved unanimously by a roll call vote, motioned by Marianne LaBarge seconded by Jeremy Macomber-Dubs.
4. Staff Keith Benoit read a draft of the public service announcement for sidewalk shoveling and asked for edits from the Disability Commission. The next steps on finishing the video were discussed. Keith Benoit read the draft PSA language for the video. Other ideas for getting sidewalks cleared were discussed.
5. The next steps for showing the Crip Camp video were discussed. The Great Room at the Senior Center has been reserved for Tuesday July 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM Staff member Keith Benoit shared a draft letter to the other Disability Commission and asked for edits. 2pm was discussed for having the meeting instead. Rodney Kunath asked if the transcript of the movie and video would be available.
6. Motion to have the meeting at 2pm Marianne LaBarge and seconded by Linda Kakos.
7. Councilor LaBarge said that the Disability Commission should make a proclamation to establish July as Disability Pride Month for June City Council meeting.



8. Updates to the soft surface accessible trails were given.
9. The process for response to public comments was discussed.
10. For Next Meeting
  - PSA Update
  - Crip Camp update
11. Meeting was adjourned unanimously with a motion by Councilor Marianne LaBarge and seconded by Jeremy Macomber-Dubs with a unanimous vote at 5:00 PM