

Meeting Minutes

Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities Regular Meeting

August 13, 2024 | 7:00 a.m.

Room 101, Chandler Community Center
125 E. Commonwealth Ave., Chandler, AZ



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Fay at 7:02 a.m.

Roll Call

Commission Attendance

Chair Tom Fay
Vice Chair Kim Foy
Committee member William Hespel
Committee member Justine McDilda
Committee member Erin Fortner
Committee member Jeff Deaver
Committee member Julie Lazzara

Staff Attendance

Becky Kuiper, Recreation Superintendent
Nora Boettcher, Recreation Supervisor
Raquel Delgado, Commission Secretary
Josh Adams, Business System Support Analyst
Ray Kaniut, Recreation Supervisor

Absent

Committee member Patrick Laferty

Consent Agenda

1. June 11, 2024 Minutes
Regular Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, June 11, 2024.

Consent Agenda Motion and Vote

Chair Fay moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Seconded by Comm. Fortner.

Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Action Agenda

2. Approve Scholarship and Stipend Program Applications – none received.

Discussion

3. Introduction of new Committee members and staff

New committee member Julie Lazzara and new staff member Nora Boettcher were introduced to the Committee.

4. Capital Project Funding/Bond Election Discussion - Matt Dunbar, Budget & Policy Director

Budget & Policy Director Matt Dunbar presented on the process to explore a bond election in 2025. Mr. Dunbar asked that the Commission provide him a list of any commissioners interested in serving on the exploratory committees.

5. Civitan Foundation Presentation - Talitha Joslin & Patrick Andrews

The Civitan Foundation presented on the programs and services offered at their centers. Programs include adult day services with daily programs such as media, art, culinary, movement, theatre and music. The Civitan Foundation Chandler location is looking to bring other services offered at their Phoenix location such as employment services and collaboration with Flerish thrift store.

6. Discussion of potential alternate meeting times and locations

Comm. Hespel stated community members have shared interest in attending the Committee meetings, but the early morning time made it difficult.

Discussion ensued regarding the use of virtual meeting applications and which applications would be an option to use if approved.

Mr. Adams suggested the possible option to switch one meeting per year vs. changing the regular noticed scheduled meeting time, to allow for community members to attend at a more suitable time. Further discussion proceeded to include the possibility to change meeting location to accommodate travel distance for community members.

Chair Fay requested staff explore a poll to get feedback from all committee members.

7. Discussion of the upcoming 2024 Golf Challenge, to be held Thursday, November 14, 2024

Mr. Kaniut gave an update on registrations; sponsorship & donations are big push. He showed the golf cart seat cover included with registration.

Ms. Kuiper shared sponsorship and raffle letters.

Comm. Hespel suggesting committee members begin reaching out to their own contacts for sponsors.,

Any outreach to potential sponsors should be communicated to Ms. Kuiper for tracking of responses.

8. Discussion of the upcoming 2025 Fun Run

Ms. Kuiper opened the discussion regarding the dates of February 20 or 27, 2025; she is waiting for the city council calendar to come out before finalizing the date. The pavilion at Tumbleweed Recreation Center is reserved as placeholder for both dates.

Discussion followed regarding maximum capacity participant numbers and the need for a waitlist.

Current registration is handled on a first come first serve basis.

9. Discussion of 2024 Committee Goals

Vice Chair Foy requested to move this item to next meeting and have it as an earlier item on agenda.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 a.m. by Chair Fay.


Raquel Delgado, Secretary


Tom Fay, Chair