



City of Surprise
Disability Advisory Commission
Wednesday, December 5, 2007 - 6:00 P.M.
Surprise City Hall – Council Chambers
12425 W. Bell Road, D-100
Surprise, Arizona 85374

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Members Present:

Gustav Szvetits, Chairperson
Jim Olmsted, Vice-Chair
Ken Hill
Scott Hjalmerik
Michelle Lewis
Barbara Porter

Staff Present:

Michael Schrock, Director, Management & Budget
Jean Poe, Risk Manager
Nanette Bowles, Disability Advocate

Members Absent:

Wayne Nielsen

Staff Absent:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Szvetits called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Surprise City Hall, Classroom, 12425 W. Bell Road, D-100, Surprise, Arizona 85374, on Wednesday, December 5, 2007.

2. **APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 17, 2007 MINUTES**

Chairperson Szvetits called for approval of the October 17, 2007 minutes.

MOTION: Commissioner Olmsted moved to accept the minutes as presented, second by Commissioner Porter. Motion approved 5-0.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A Sun City West resident who is legally blind and travels into Surprise is concerned about several major intersections in Surprise and would like to have these investigated for future auditory crosswalk signals. She would also asked about the possibility of having some of these intersection lights being lengthened to allow additional time for crossing.

4. **CURRENT EVENTS AND REPORTS**

Nanette Bowles announced two upcoming events within Adaptive Recreation. The first the Inaugural Special Olympics Winter Party and Tree Decorating Ceremony being held on December 7th from 10 am-1 pm at DreamCatcher Park. The other event is an Adaptive Fishing Derby being held December 15th from 9 am-12 noon at the Surprise Lake.

5. **AGENDA**

- A. Presentation on Open Meeting Law and Roberts Rules of Order – Julie Kriegh, Deputy City Attorney
- B. Report on the Roadrunner Basketball Team – Commissioner Hill
Commissioner Hill discussed the upcoming Wheelchair Basketball Tournament being held Saturday December 8th at Valley Vista High School. Three teams are coming in from California for the tournament then the winners will go to the playoffs in February. Commissioner Olmsted showed the logo for the t-shirts that will be sold at the event.
- C. Discussion and Possible Action on the Northwest Valley Inclusion Project– Commissioner Nielson
In his absence, Nanette Bowles reported that meetings have continued and progress is being made on the “Access Northwest Valley” project. A domain name for the website has been reserved as www.AccessNWValley.com though it will not be up and running for a few months. Ms. Bowles added that eight Indexes have been completed to date.
- D. Update on Executive Order for Accessibility Guidelines for City Facilities – Jean Poe, Risk Manager
Ms. Poe reported that the Executive Order has been signed by the Legal Department, Management and Budget Director Michael Schrock and the City Managers Office.
- E. Discussion and Possible Action on Use of Enhancement Funds for Stadium and Public Safety Automatic Door Openers– Nanette Bowles, Disability Advocate
Based on the contingency motion, the sum of \$15,660 has been allocated towards the installation of automatic door openers to the elevators at the Stadium. Another \$23,920 has been allocated towards automatic door openers to the public lobby restrooms as the Public Safety building.
- F. Visitability Subcommittee Report– Commissioner Olmstead
Commissioner Olmstead reported that the December Home Builders meeting was cancelled but rescheduled for January 8th. He also reported that the City of Tucson has passed an “Inclusive Home Design Ordinance” that will go into effect on January 1st, 2008.
- G. Citizen’s Corp Council Report – Nanette Bowles, Disability Advocate
Ms. Bowles reported that coordination for the Emergency Preparedness Summit for Individuals with Disabilities is progressing. The event will be held on January 12, 2008 at Radiant Church and include a general session and four break out sessions. People are encouraged to register as soon as possible so accommodations can be made.

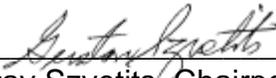
6. AGENDA ITEMS FOR JANUARY 16, 2008

Agenda items for the next meeting will include:

- Public Comments
- Current Events and Reports by Commissioners or Staff
- Commissioner Hill's report on the Wheelchair Basketball Team
- Commissioner Nielsen's report on the Access Northwest Valley Project
- Visitability Subcommittee Report
- Report on the Citizen's Corp Council
- Report on Auditory Light Signals and Light Duration

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Szvetits adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.



Gustav Szvetits, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Nanette Bowles, Disability Advocate

CERTIFICATION:

I, Nanette Bowles, Disability Advocate for the City of Surprise, Maricopa County, Arizona, do hereby verify that these are the true and correct minutes of the Disability Advisory Commission meeting held on **Wednesday, December 5, 2007.**



Nanette Bowles, Disability Advocate