



Disability Advocacy Committee Minutes

For the regular meeting of:

August 8, 2016

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: City Administration Building, 220 N Santa Fe St

Meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities

Present:

Chair: Jay Anderson

Vice Chair: George Curtis

Member: Judi Pirnstill

Member: Absent

Member: Shelley Jensen

Member: Mary Wheeler

Member: Absent

Alternate (2): Alvin Martin

Absent: Don Ajluni, Brittney Salas

Visitor: Kathleen Curtis, Dodie Stack

Staff: Lupe Garcia, Rhonda Haynes

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1. **Meeting** was called to order at 5:00pm by Chair Jay Anderson.
 2. **Introductions & Welcome** – Introductions and welcome of guests.
 3. **Public Comment or Written Communication:** None
 4. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of minutes from July 11, 2016 (George Curtis and Judy Pirnstill)
 5. **New Memberships Approved** – Committee updated by staff that Council approved the new memberships for Brittney Salas and Alvin Martin, as well as the reappointment of Mary Wheeler for an additional 2-year term.
 6. **2015 Draft Action Amendment & 2015 Draft CAPER** – Presented by Rhonda Haynes (City staff). Rhonda answered questions regarding Ice House and Housing Rehabilitation program adjustments. Committee voiced concerns regarding making sure programs and services are for community members with legitimate needs. Committee stressed proper oversight of funds is critical to success and to ensure no abuse of programs. Staff provided additional insight into oversight of programs, committee approved.
 7. **Barrier Awareness Day Planning: Discussion:** The committee discussed the Healthy Visalia event occurring in October as well as the COS Disability Awareness Day event. The DAC plans to attend both events. Additional information is needed for the Healthy Visalia event, George Curtis is attempting to find the date and any other information.
 8. **COS Disability Awareness Day Event** – Jason Huckleberry to register committee for this event. Event to be held October 20th at COS.
 9. **Parenting Network Event:** Discussion postponed to next meeting.
 10. **Adjourn** – Meeting was adjourned at 6:07pm.

Next Meeting: Monday, September 12th, 2016