



**NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
City of Santa Monica Disabilities Commission  
AGENDA- Special Meeting  
Monday, May 11, 2015, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
Ken Edwards Center, 1527 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Monica**

**Standards of Behavior that Promote Civility at All Public Meetings:**

- Treat everyone courteously
- Listen to others respectfully
- Exercise self-control
- Give open-minded consideration to all viewpoints
- Focus on the issues and avoid personalizing debate
- Embrace respectful disagreement and dissent as democratic rights, inherent components of an inclusive public process, and tools for forgoing sound decisions

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the Disabilities Commission will be held 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm on Monday, May 11, 2015, at Ken Edwards Center, 1527 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Monica, for the purpose of conducting the following business:

- 1. Call to Order  
Roll Call**
- 2. Approval of minutes of the April 6, 2015 regular meeting of the Disabilities Commission**
- 3. Public Input:** The Commission will hear from the public on issues pertaining to topics of concern to the Commission that are on this agenda. A request to speak or “chit” (available from the staff assistant) should be completed indicating item(s) for public input. Each speaker is limited to two (2) minutes.
- 4. Announcements and Correspondence**
- 5. Westside Center for Independent Living report – Melinda Garcia, WCIL**
- 6. Commission Liaison reports**
  - A. Arts Commission – Commissioner Berg
  - B. Commission for the Senior Community – Chair Arroyo
  - C. Commission on the Status of Women – Chair Arroyo

- D. Planning Commission – Commissioner McCarty
- E. Recreation & Parks Commission – Commissioner Parker
- F. Pier Restoration Corporation – Commissioner Linke-Ellis
- G. Housing Commission – Commissioner Mc Lean

**7. Staff Liaison report**

- City Council update
- Commission budget recommendation letter
- Commission terms expiring June 30<sup>th</sup> 2015
- Accessible Santa Monica website

**8. New Business:**

- A. Public Hearing: Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Title VI Policy Updates – Ed King, Director of Transit Services
- B. Discussion and possible action related to Commission comments on the FY2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and Strategy – Staff Liaison Rowe

**9. Old Business:**

- A. Discussion and possible action related to planning for May is Mental Health Awareness Month – Chair Arroyo, Commissioners Kriesel and Hagen
- B. Discussion and possible action related to planning for the Life Rolls On Event – Chair Arroyo
- C. Discussion and possible action related to a Commission letter requesting that the Santa Monica Mirror and Santa Monica Daily Press caption videos on their website and that captioning be considered a component of universal design – Chair Arroyo
- D. Report from the looping in public venues ad hoc committee – Commissioner Linke-Ellis
- E. Discussion and possible action related to recognition of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act – Commissioner Kriesel

## 10. Future agenda items

## 11. Adjournment

Approved:

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Chris Arroyo, Chair

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Any member of the public unable to attend a meeting but wishing to comment on an item(s) listed on the agenda may submit written comments prior to the meeting by mailing them to: Human Services Division 1685 Main St., Rm. 212, Santa Monica CA, 90401 or by emailing: [DC@SMGOV.NET](mailto:DC@SMGOV.NET).

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