

**Fort Worth Human Relations Commission  
Mayor's Committee on Persons with Disabilities Meeting  
March 10, 2022  
10:00 a.m.**

Members of the Mayor's Committee on Persons with Disabilities may be attending remotely in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act. The presiding officer was present in person.

Alfred Henderson opened the meeting and read a few housekeeping rules.

**CALL TO ORDER**

With a quorum of the members present, the Mayor's Committee on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD) Chair Brandie Wiley called the regular session of the MCPD meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Ms. Cherry left the meeting at 10:05 a.m. With her absence a quorum was not present.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present**

Wiley, Brandie (IP)  
Scott, Gregory (IP)  
Henderson, Jenna (V)  
Medlin, Kevin (IP)  
Wyss, Mike (IP)  
(IP: in-person) (V: virtual)

**Absent**

Katten, Steven  
Cherry, DeBorah  
Lunt, David  
Garcia, Mary  
Martinez-Hickman, Dr. Olga

**City Staff**

Henderson, Alfred (IP)  
Linda Tuggle (V)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Wyss made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2022, MCPD meeting; Mr. Scott seconded the motion; with no further discussion, Chair Wiley conducted a roll call vote. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

**COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS**

There were none.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Julie Espinoza, Assistant Director with REV UP Texas, provided a presentation on *The Effect of Senate Bill 1*. The floor was open for questions.

**INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

***Standing Sub-Committees Reports Review ~ Committee Chairs***

Accessibility Sub-Committee: Mr. Scott suggested MCPD participate in early voting. On February 16, 2022, Mrs. Henderson attended the Fort Worth Future City Hall Council Chambers Session; she provided a brief report and requested that the subcommittee submit a specific list of accommodation requirements to [FutureCityHall@fortworthtexas.gov](mailto:FutureCityHall@fortworthtexas.gov). Mr. Medlin provided a brief report on Tarrant Transit Alliance (TTA), and he indicated that a report was emailed to MCPD.

Community Education and Engagement Sub-Committee: Chair Wiley announced that Senior Synergy Expo is in May from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Mr. Henderson informed MCPD that an email will be going out to request volunteers for the event.

Awards and Recognition Sub-Committee: Mr. Henderson announced the Danny Scarth Trailblazer Award winner, Elaine Klos. Mr. Henderson sent an email announcing the winner to MCPD. Mr. Wyss and Mr. Henderson announced the Barbra Jordan Media Award presentation on April 27th at UTA, event time TBD.

Executive Sub-Committee: Chair Wiley reported that the Executive Subcommittee will be meeting soon to review the current standing subcommittee chairs.

***Staff Report ~ Al Henderson, MCPD Staff Liaison***

Mr. Henderson reported the following:

- COVID19 Resources – an email was sent to MCPD with information regarding free home test kits.
- Administrative Updates – the Diversity & Inclusion Department has a new employee, Shameka Kennedy, who starts on March 14, 2022. He thanked Mrs. Tuggle for her administrative assistance with MCPD. Movies That Matter Latino series relaunched this month with its first screening. He suggested that MCPD attend the 2022 Bond Election meetings. He stated that the Bond proposal impacts the disability community regarding streets, sidewalks, and curb-cuts. He will be emailing dates and times to the new MCPD members regarding new MCPD members' orientation. He concluded his report requesting that the new members complete the Texas Open Meetings Act training as soon as possible.

***Assistant Director's Report ~ Angela Rush, Assistant Diversity & Inclusion Director***

No report given. MCPD received a copy of the report prior to the meeting.

***Human Relations Commission (HRC) Liaison Report ~ Mike Wyss, HRC Liaison***

MCPD received a copy of the HRC Report prior to the meeting. Mr. Wyss invited MCPD to the next HRC Hybrid Meeting on April 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

***May MCPD Meeting ~ Committee Chair***

Mr. Wyss motioned to cancel May's MCPD meeting allowing MCPD committee members to attend the Senior Synergy Expo. Mr. Medlin seconded the motion, with no further discussion, Chair Wiley conducted a roll call vote. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPCOMING AND RECENT EVENTS**

None given.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Fort Worth Chief of Police  
Fort Worth Mayor  
Presentation on the new accessible park  
Presentation on Teen Court  
Presentation on anxiety and depression

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Wiley adjourned the MCPD meeting at 11:02 a.m.



**Fort Worth Human Relations Commission (HRC) Report to  
Mayor's Committee on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD)**

**Date: April 14, 2022**

**Prepared by: Mike Wyss**



- The April 2022 HRC meeting was canceled.
- The next meeting is scheduled for May 1, 2022 at 5:30PM.