



Department of Public Works

Commission on Disability
Regular Meeting Minutes -- Amended
July 12, 2000

Roll Call: 6:40 p.m.

Present: Karen Craig; Norm Rabkin; Miya Rodolfo-Sioson; Marissa Shaw, Charlie Betcher; Emily Wilcox; Karen Rose; Delia Todd; Robert Smith

Absent: None

Staff present: Virginia Vafa, Eric Dibner

Comments from the Public-Carol Denney discussed events at fully accessible venues and Ashkenaz funding; Jesse Townley discussed the Alta Bates lift team and the letter from Easy Does It (EDI).

Business

Actions and Discussion: *All actions are unanimous unless otherwise indicated.*

1. It was M/S/C (Rose/Todd) to support the Ashkenaz accessibility plan as presented. Noes: Commissioners Betcher, Craig; Abstain: Wilcox (no written material submitted by Askenaz). Councilmember Dona Spring attended the meeting and participated in the discussion regarding Ashkenaz.
2. It was M/S/C (Betcher, Craig) that a letter be sent to Alta Bates to reestablish active lift teams. The motion was amended (Wilcox) that the lift teams be on duty 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and that they be adequately trained.
3. It was M/S/C (Craig, Rabkin) that the Commission request that Council write a letter to Immigration Naturalization Service, U.S. Rep. Barbara Lee, Senators Feinstein, Boxer, and President Clinton to grant U.S. citizenship to Vijai Rajan (person with severe disability) without requiring the oath of allegiance. Abstain: Rodolfo-Sioson, Shaw.

4. It was M/S/C (Wilcox, Smith) that the following businesses, who go out of their way to provide accessibility, be recommended for special kudos awards from City Council: Starbuck's (on Shattuck), Washington Mutual, 4 Elements, Radston's, Mel's and Bacheesos's. Also, that special thank you's be made to Bank of America, Mechanic's Bank, Blockbusters and Shattuck Theaters. Awards to be given by Mayor and the Commission on Disability.

Items for Future Agenda:

- Project Impact

Adjournment: Commissioner Rose moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:35p.m.