



CITY OF REVERE - COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

Meeting Notes – November 12, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

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Meeting Will Broadcast Live Via Zoom, Revere TV & Revere TV YouTube Channel

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Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Members Present: Ralph DeCicco, Pauline Perno, Jason Barrone, Mario Grimanis, Ellie Vargas, Annmarie Fiore – (All Commission Members Present)

Item #1: Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes from October 8, 2024

- **Made by Mario Grimanis & Seconded by Pauline Perno.**

Item #2: Guest Speaker: Teri Koopman, who is the Outreach Specialist at the MA Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) Universal Access Program

Item #3: Updates/Next Steps from October 8, 2024 Meeting

- **Updates from Pauline & Annmarie regarding the calendar for future monthly guest speakers.**

Item #4: Discussion regarding the Community Music Center of Boston Proposal. As a Commission, we always seek programs we can implement in Revere to benefit children and young adults with disabilities.

Item #5: CODA (Commissions on Disabilities Alliance)- No November Meeting. Next Meeting is Scheduled for Wednesday, December 4 on Zoom.

Item #6: Commission Members Late Items/Information:

- **COD is considering programs for children and young adults with disabilities. COD would fund most of the costs associated with these programs and partner with outside vendors through Revere Parks and Recreation.**
- **COD is looking to pay for an accessible Speaker Podium in the Council Chambers through the DEI and City Clerk's office.**
- **Pauline Perno reminded everyone that with the time change, please be vigilant of people crossing, especially Beach Boulevard. It is extremely important to pay attention to seniors and people with mobility issues crossing; the lighting down there is poor. (It was decided that Pauline would draft a letter to send to the DCR and our State Delegation regarding the Beach.**
- **Jason Barrone reminded everyone to go to Federal websites to look at and download Special education information because it may not be available next year.**
- **Reminder about the HP Parking Spot Sign Application process.**

Item #7: Residents' concerns/issues- None

Item #8: Next Steps:

- **Pauline Perno will draft a letter to the DCR and our State Delegation regarding the Beach Boulevard crossing.**
- **Paulene and Annmarie will provide any updates to the calendar for future monthly guest speakers.**
- **Annmarie will provide updates on Community Music Center of Boston programs.**

Item #9: Reminder –

The Commission on Disabilities office number is 781-286-8267. Residents can also call Revere 311 directly and speak to their staff Monday through Friday. They will answer most questions, but if they cannot or if you want to talk to our department directly, ask to be transferred to the Disability office. Please leave a detailed message, and someone will get back to you soon.

As always, don't hesitate to contact us if you want something discussed or added to our monthly meeting agenda. You can also let us know if you want to speak about any issue or concern. The Commission is here to help and assist all the disabled residents and families of Revere.

- **Motion to Adjourn: Made by Mario Grimanis & Seconded by Jason Barrone,**

Next Meeting: (Via Zoom) will be on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Happy Thanksgiving

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