



CITY OF REVERE - COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

Meeting Agenda Notes – April 8, 2025 @ 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
Absent: Annmarie Fiore**

Item #1: Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes from March 11, 2025 Made by Jason Barrone & Seconded by Mario Grimanis

Item #2: Updates/Next Steps from March 11, 2025 Meeting

- **Updates from Pauline & Annmarie regarding the calendar for future monthly guest speakers.**
- **Update to Music Therapy Program/collaboration with Revere Parks and Recreation Department**
- **Update regarding the letter sent to Representative Turco regarding the Revere Beach safety crossing issues.**

Item #3: Guest Speaker: NONE

Item #4: CODA (Commissions on Disabilities Alliance) – Meeting for Wednesday April 2nd, Postponed Until Wednesday, April 9th.

Item #5: Remote Public Meetings Extended Through June 2027

Pandemic-era legislation that allows public bodies to hold meetings remotely has been extended through June 30, 2027.

The extended temporary amendment to the Open Meeting Law signed by the Governor last week ([House Bill No. 62](#)) authorizes a quorum of a board or committee to meet remotely and to require remote public access. The prior authorization for remote public meetings was set to expire on March 31, 2025.

Public bodies may use a variety of platforms for remote meetings so long as the public has “adequate, alternative means of public access.” Meetings may be purely remote or hybrid. Individuals required to appear and present before a public body remotely must be given the same level of remote access as members of the public body.

The statute contains an emergency preamble and therefore takes effect immediately.

Item #6: Commission Members' Late Informational Items

- **DCR Universal Access Program Spring Schedule has been released and can be found on their website. (PDF was shown during the meeting)**
- **Jason Barrone mentioned there is a person with a disability that he follows who is planning a Disney cruise for all wheelchair users.**

Item #7: Residents' concerns/issues : None

Item #8: Next Steps:

- **Updates from Pauline & Annmarie regarding the calendar for future monthly guest speakers. This entails Pauline following up with a specific company regarding their programming to see if they will be able to join our May meeting.**
- **Update to Music Therapy Program/collaboration with Revere Parks and Recreation Department**
- **Update regarding the letter sent to Representative Turco regarding the Revere Beach crossing safety concerns. Specifically, Ellie was going to contact his office directly to update the Commission**

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 are unable to assist you or if you prefer to talk with the Commission directly, please ask to be transferred to the Disability Office. Please leave a detailed message, and we will respond to you shortly.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact us if you would like something discussed or added to our monthly meeting agenda. You can also let us know if you want to discuss any concerns. The Commission is here to help and assist all disabled residents and their families in Revere.

- **Motion to Adjourn: Made by Jason Barrone & Seconded by Mario Grimanis**
- **Next Meeting: (Via Zoom) will be on Tuesday, May 13th, 2025, at 6:00 PM**

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