

## **Houston Commission on Disabilities**

**February 8th 2024 — 4:00 - 6:00 PM**

The Houston Commission on Disabilities is an in-person meeting at TranStar (6922 Katy Road) in the Conference Room. Doors open at 3:30pm. The meeting is streamed on the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities Facebook page.

### Meeting Agenda

- I. Roll Call (Stephanie Haechten, Sr. Community Outreach Coordinator, Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities)
- II. Call to Order (Ricky Harris, Vice Chair)
- III. Review and Approval of January Meeting Minutes
- IV. Public Comments (Names of those who have indicated their interest in speaking will be called, each speaker will have a maximum of 3 minutes to speak)
  - a. Brian Dang (UTHealth, McGovern Medical School Graduate Student) – Family Needs Assessment Research Survey of Disaster Preparedness
  - b. Julia Rodriguez (Resource Development & Marketing Director at Beaumont Community Players) – A Miracle Worker production with shadow cast ASL interpreters.
  - c. Ariel Ehrman (Houston resident) – Public Health and Safety, comment submitted digitally
- V. Expert Speaker (Julian Ochoa, Emergency Preparedness)
- VI. MOPD Report to the HCOD (Angel Ponce, Director, Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities)
- VII. MMSC Report to the HCOD (Chuck French, Administration Manager, Houston Parks and Recreation Department)

- VIII. ADA Update (Marshall Watson, Administrative Coordinator – ADA, City of Houston, Human Resources Department, Civil Service & EEO Division)
  
- IX. Committee Reports (Chair Silcox)
  - a. Education & Employment
  - b. Community Access, Transition, & Housing
  - c. Emergency Preparedness and First Responder Training
  
- X. Accessible Voting Discussion (Commissioner Nunez Landry, Commissioner Sias, and Commissioner Sashi Nisankarao)
  
- XI. Meeting Schedule
  - a. March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Annual Orientation, No Public Meeting
  - b. April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024
  - c. May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024
  - d. June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024
  - e. July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – No Meeting
  
- XII. Commissioners Comments
  
- XIII. Adjourn