**Houston Commission on Disabilities**

**August 10th, 2023 — 4:00 - 6:00 PM**

The Houston Commission on Disabilities uses ZOOM for the meeting platform. You can register to attend the monthly HCOD meeting at this link <https://bit.ly/HCOD-Registration>

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order (Meridith Silcox, Chair)
2. Roll Call
3. Review and Approval of July Meeting Minutes
4. 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)
5. Expert Speaker (Commissioner Sashikala Nisankarao, Attorney - Employment and Voting Section, Disability Rights Texas)
6. Voting Rights and Polling Accessibility Discussion (Commissioner Lydia Nunez Landry, Regional Representative, Rev Up!)
   1. Disability Voter Rights Week (September 11th – 15th)
   2. Preparation for Disability Mayor Listening Session (Sept 14th)
7. MOPD Report to the HCOD (Angel Ponce, Director, Mayor’s Office for People with Disabilities)
8. MMSC Report to the HCOD (Chuck French, Administration Manager, Houston Parks and Recreation Department)
9. Committee Updates
   1. Community Access, Transit, and Housing
   2. Emergency Preparedness, Response, and First Responder Training
   3. Employment and Transition to Employment
   4. Education
   5. Immigration and Refugee Services
   6. Planning, Membership, and Community Engagement
10. ADA Update (Marshall Watson, Administrative Coordinator – ADA, City of Houston, Human Resources Department, Civil Service & EEO Division)
11. Upcoming Event Reminders
    1. MMSC Listening Session – August 29th
    2. Mayoral Candidate Listening Session hosted by the Houston Center for Independent Living – September 14th
    3. Mayor Sylvester Turner Disability Celebration – September 30th
12. Meeting Schedule
    1. Location TranStar (6922 Katy Road, Houston, TX 77024)
       1. September 14th (hybrid)
       2. October 12th (hybrid)
       3. November 9th (fully in-person)
13. Commissioners Comments
14. Adjourn