Disability Awareness Starts Here (DASH) Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, September 4, 2018, noon to 2:00 at the Community Center

Attendees: Pat Teal, Jack McCreary, Marion Huxtable, David Griffiths

Absent: Bonnie Bolster, John Frasca, Celia Fry, Leesa Monroe, Miranda Nash,

Nancy Johnson

Visitors: Bethel Prescott, Luann (last name?)

Additions to Agenda:

None

Minutes:

No minutes for August

Treasurer's Report:

Bonnie sent out treasurer's report.

We need to write an ACA grant for reprinting the Entertainment Guide. Pat will send out the application form to us, so we can consider if we can do this.

Post Office:

Jack outlined strategy for sharing the problem with Colleen Bryan, Senator Murray's staff. Basically we need to ask for the USPS to put out a bid for design of a ramp. This supports the USPS's stated expression of the desirability of a ramp.

Chetzemoka Park restrooms

Marion evaluated on August 2 and took photos. Will send a Citizen Concern to the City as this has garnered response on previous issues involving the City.

Discovery Bay Brewing

Nancy, Pat and John visited. It is accessible. Mirror in restroom is too high and will be lowered. The tables outside are too low. Owners will look for higher table for patio. Patio is largely grass.

City Museum

Bill Rooney is dedicated to making it more accessible. Changes needed are signage to show the accessible entrance, threshold to firehouse needs a specialty threshold. A ramp is needed for the 6 inch step at entrance to the jail. DASH evaluation will go to the City. Marion will write up report.

Distribution of Guides for Accessible Lodging

Pat passed round the distribution list. Jack needs some of the places on his list taken over by another Board member.

Updates to website

Need links to City and County ADA Coordinators. Need to check for broken links. Marion will check the links.

ACAC

The Committee will vote regarding which projects to forward on October 1. There is a total of \$100,000 to be spent. We will consider a small grant application for reprinting of Entertainment Guides.

NMTAB

They will work on updating the City's Non Motorized Plan. Pat will keep us informed.

Press Release

The Leader did not print our press release about the Accommodations Guide. Will consider a Letter to the Editor.

Democrats Fish Feed event

Dave reported on the event and the problems with accessibility. The accessible parking places were blocked. The access route between parking and check-in was blocked. Disabled people were rerouted to a longer route to a ramp. The organizers had a heavy hand in dealing with issues of access and this prevented people from entering.

Next meeting:

Tuesday, October 2, 2018, at the Community Center