

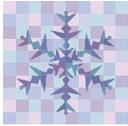


**Commission on People with Disabilities
Wednesday, March 9th, 2016**

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

*Executive Office Building, Lobby Level Auditorium
101 Monroe Street, Rockville, Maryland 20850*

Seth Morgan, Chair - Marcie Povitsky, Vice Chair



Inclement Weather Policy: For consistency, if Montgomery County Public Schools open late, morning Commission meetings are cancelled; if schools close in the early afternoon, late afternoon and evening Commission meetings are cancelled; or if schools are closed all day all Commission meetings for that day and evening are cancelled. This applies to full Commission meetings as well as subcommittees and every activity organized by the Commission.

- 6:00 Call to Order, Introductions & Approval of February, 2016 Meeting Minutes –
Seth Morgan, Chair**
- 6:10 Independence Now – Sarah Sorensen, Executive Director (www.innow.org)**
Independence Now is a nonprofit organization designed, governed and staffed by people with disabilities. We are part of a nationwide network of Centers for Independent Living providing the following core services: Information and Referral; Advocacy; Peer Support; and Independent Living Skills training. Independence Now is a resource and advocacy center that promotes independent living and equal access for people of all ages with all types of disabilities residing in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. We advocate and embody independence and equality for all people with disabilities.
- 6:45 Chair and Vice Chair Report – Seth Morgan and Marcie Povitsky**
- 7:00 Ex-Officio and Member Updates**
ADA and EOB Circle Renovation – Nancy Greene
Recreation – Charlie Butler
Transportation – Faisal Khan
Respect the Space – Seth Morgan and Mike Subin
Employment – Angela Washington
Housing – Susan Smith
Montgomery County Public Libraries – Rita Gale
Montgomery College – Christopher Moy
MCPS – Margie Parrott
HHS – Jay Kenney
DD Advisory Workgroup – Sue Hartung
CPWD Liaison to COH – Kathy Mann Koepke
COA liaison to CPWD – Karen Maricheau
- 7:20 Announcements**
- 7:25 Community Speaks –** Public remarks limited to 1 minute each. Sign up to speak before meeting.
- 7:30 Adjourn**

Meeting Accessibility Policy, Travel and Parking, and Commission Ground Rules on next page

Meeting Accessibility Policy: The Commission will make all reasonable good faith efforts to provide accommodations, aides, services, or barrier removal to enable all members and meeting participants' full inclusion. Accommodations are provided upon request with advance notice. Persons requesting accommodations such as sign language interpreters, Computer Assistive Real Time (CART), accessible format materials (Braille, large print, electronic files, and audio format), or other reasonable accommodations are asked to:

- Provide a detailed description of the accommodation needed and contact information;
- Make the request as early as possible, at least three (3) full working days in advance of the meeting;
- Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fulfill;
- Accommodations of persons that conflict with each other such as one person requiring the use of a service animal and another person being allergic to animals will be resolved with the staff person.

Taking the steps outlined above will provide the Commission staff with adequate time to best meet the needs of the attendees at its public meetings. To make requests or for any questions, please contact Betsy Tolbert Luecking, Community Outreach Manager, at 240-777-1256 Voice or via MD Relay at 711 or you may send a request by email to Betsy.Luecking@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Travel and Parking

If you require Paratransit Services, please call MetroAccess at 301-562-5361 (V) or 301-588-7810 (TTY) at least 24 hours prior to a scheduled meeting. The pick-up and drop off is at the Terrace Level Circle Door Entrance. **MetroAccess riders should schedule their pick-up time at 7:45 p.m.** Commission members must have a County issued security badge in order to park on Level G-2. Take elevator to Level – L. Visitor parking is available in the parking garage at the Council Office Building. Enter the EOB at the Terrace Level Cafeteria entrance, located next to the driveway to underground parking. Accessible street visitor parking is near the Executive Office Building. Rockville Metro is nearby. *Alternative formats of this document and other meeting documents are available upon request and will be provided within 3 working day notice.*

Commission Ground Rules

- 1) Start and end meetings on time.
- 2) Adhere to the agenda and time allotted.
- 3) Expect participation from everyone.
- 4) Encourage contrary points of view.
- 5) Limit side bars and 1-1 conversation.
- 6) Practice active listening.
- 7) Be respectful of other commissioners, staff, guests, speakers, and the public.