

Seattle Disability Commission Agenda

March 20, 2025 - 4pm-6pm

Commissioners Present: Co-Chair Shelby Dey,
Kaitlin Skilton, JJ Jensen, Bianca Gallegos

Members of the public: Samiya Nasim

4:05 Call to Order

- Interaction Agreements
 - Commission Votes in favor of proposed Interaction agreements.
- Universal Design
- Roll call/Commissioner introductions
- Welcome & introduce public

OCR Staff & Updates

Meredith Stone

- Reminder to all: New commissioner orientation meeting next Thursday (3/27) 5:30-7:30pm at City Hall Rm370.

- The orientation meetings will be held quarterly, much of the meetings will not be recorded as there are in person portions and a tour of city hall.
- Click this link for [Orientation Videos:](#)
- Click this link for [Commissions Resource Page:](#)
- Seattle City Light is looking to present for 20-30 minutes at the next Disabilities meeting in April.
- Best way for public to contact Seattle Disabilities commission is at SDC@seattle.gov

February Retreat Debrief Commission

- Highlights of the retreat
 - Commissioners liked the laid-out calendar planning for the year, felt more strategic and allows for short- and long-term planning. Also liked the hybrid option, which made it more accessible.

2025 Disability Commission Goals

- **Be a voice** for the disabled community

- **Increase community engagement** by recruiting new Commissioners and doing outreach
- **Deepen partnerships and advocacy on policy**
- **Recognize the importance of intersectionality** & advocate for all people (see Disability Justice)

Commission next steps

- All the work in commission?
- Will there be committees?
 - In the past the Commission has had committees to discuss transportation, employment and advocacy.
 - Commissioners like the idea of having more informal but topic focused discussions in committees if interest in a committee emerges.
- Letter to FIFA JJ
 - The Commission asked if they could help with any planning or provide any insights to maximize accessibility of the international soccer event in Seattle. Have not heard back from FIFA yet.

Review our “do it now” timeline events

- Look ahead on the calendar of event
 - Who will take the lead, who will go, who will support?

Review Timeline (wall and Miro board)

- April
 - 4/17: Next Commission meeting
 - TBD: Currently, no date has been set yet for the “Meeting Facilitation and Parliamentary Procedures” meeting.
 - Commissioners are encouraged to discuss how to best manage any committees they form at the next “5 Chair Meeting” on May 14th from 5:30-7:30pm.
- May
 - AAPI Heritage Celebration (5/3) from 11-5pm
 - No volunteers today, and possibility of only some of the hours.
 - Pride Flag Raising (May TBD)
 - Commissioners are invited to event at City Hall and then a reception in Bertha

Knight room right next to the flag. Good chance to meet the mayor and meet others in the community.

- Kaitlin Skilton and Shelby Dey will attend.
- The date is tentatively set for May 30th, early evening. More info to come.

- June

- SDC monthly meeting is currently scheduled on Juneteenth. In April, Commissioners will discuss a late June in person summertime SDC meeting.

Parking at Lincoln Park

Kaitlin

- Concern expressed:
 - Shared a blog post regarding plans to remove ADA parking at Lincoln Park. Later, Parks clarified to the community that this was temporary parking that was just being moved. Currently there is no answer to what that means in the long term for ADA

parking at Lincoln Park. Commissioners would like SDC to be a vessel for the community to get their questions answered.

- Kaitlin will draft her concerns and ask Meredith to review and pass onto a Seattle Parks employee who visited a SDC meeting in January. If possible, see if we can invite them to SDC meeting and community members to be able to hear responses.

Approve Minutes & Notes

- Vote on approving January 2024 minutes
 - Decision Process Example:
 - “I move to approve the January 2024 minutes
 - Motion - “I second”
 - Any discussion, edits
 - Roll call
- Vote Results
 - JJ moves to approve the January 2025 minutes, Bianca seconds.
 - All commissioners vote to approve.

Closing Comments & Adjournment

- Commissioner Co-Chair moves to adjourn the meeting at 5:29pm