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Director's Report to the Mayor's Disability Council (MDC)

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Today's Director's Report to the Mayor's Disability Council (MDC) provides a snapshot of some of the core issues that the Mayor's Office on Disability (MOD) has been engaged with since the most recent public hearing of the MDC. The Council is encouraged to follow up on [any of the items presented today](#). Along with this, items for future agenda consideration are provided.

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Legislative updates, April 2022: MDC and members of the public may want to engage with the following:

Local Legislation

JFK Drive: JFK Drive currently has two pieces of legislation under consideration:

1. Referral number ([220261](#)): Park Code - **Golden Gate Park Access and Safety Program** - Slow Street Road Closures (Mayor, Preston, Mandelman, Haney)

Status: Referred to Land Use and Transportation Committee, environmental review issued.

- This legislation forwards the recommendations of [SFMTA and Recreation and Parks \(REC\) staff report](#) to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) for consideration, under positive recommendation.

As the Council knows, your [JFK Drive Resolution](#) is conditional and contingent upon continued accessibility improvements. MOD urges the Council to stay engaged on this issue, as there is work to do to ensure that all elements of your Resolution are realized.

- Since the March 2022 Directors Report to the MDC, MOD and MDC Co-Chairs met with Director Ginsburg and Supervisor Chan to discuss the Resolution.
- MOD has urged REC and MTA to provide Golden Gate Park accessibility commitments related to this legislation in a timeline document that is made available to the public. This work is in progress.

2. Referral [220339](#): Park Code - **Golden Gate Park Access and Safety Program - Slow Street Road Closures - Modified Configuration** (Chan, Walton)

Status: Land Use and Transportation Committee, Waived 30-Day Rule

- This legislation amends the above legislation ([220261](#)) and makes certain street segments one-way, establishes bicycle lanes, and urges additional changes to improve access to Golden Gate Park.
- At the April 5, 2022 Board of Supervisors (BOS) Meeting, there was a motion to schedule the BOS to sit as a Committee of the Whole in a Joint Special Meeting with the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (CTA) on April 26, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. That is, to hold a joint public hearing to consider the subject Ordinances. The public information for this meeting is not yet posted as of the date of this writing.
- The Meeting notice will be forwarded through the MOD distribution list when it becomes available.

Shared Spaces: Referral 211301: [Limits on Fines for Shared Spaces Violations](#) (Peskin et al): Status: Passed

- This legislation limits issuance of fines for violations on some businesses utilizing outdoor dining, while maintaining the ability to fine for physical access for persons with disabilities, and first responder access.

State Legislation

Virtual Meetings Open meetings: state and local agencies: teleconferences (AB 361). Status: Approved by Governor.

- This bill allows for continued provision of virtual meetings for government agencies until January 1, 2024.
- Locally, the Community Alliance of Disability Advocates (CADA) is asking the City to consider continuation virtual public meetings in some capacity beyond the

State Emergency Order. CADA leadership is scheduled to meet with the Mayor's Office in late April.

- The Council is encouraged to learn more about this item at an upcoming Public Meeting.

Transportation Network Company (TNC) legislation (SB 1376): TNC Access for All Act is in pilot implementation phase. MOD, SFMTA and the County Transportation Authority (CTA) continue to be parties to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) comment proceeding, on the recommendation of the Mayor's Disability Council.

- The proceedings are ongoing, and are currently focused on service implementation timelines and the ability to pre-schedule wheelchair accessible vehicle (WAV) rides.

AB: 2336: Speed Safety Pilot Program: advanced and endorsed through Vision Zero, this legislation would allow San Francisco and other California cities to begin a pilot program that tests speed safety and reduction. The Council may want to learn about this and other Vision Zero Efforts at an upcoming Public Hearing.

COVID Response and the Disability Community

COVID-19 Vaccines:

The Department of Public Health (SFDPH) and Center of Disease Control (CDC) now recommend a 2nd booster dose with an mRNA vaccine (either Pfizer or Moderna) starting 4 months after receipt of your 1st booster. This is intended for higher risk individuals, including:

- people ages 65 years and older
- people ages 50 years and older with underlying conditions
- people ages 12 years and older with moderate to severe immune compromise

You can find more details regarding the SFDPH vaccine update [here](#). To find a vaccine site near you, visit sf.gov/get-vaccinated-against-covid-19 or call the COVID Resource Center at 628-652-2700.

[At home vaccination is also available](#). To set it up, call the Covid Resource Center at 628-652-2700.

Upcoming Events of Interest: The following may be of particular interest to the people with disabilities:

City and County of San Francisco Career Resource Fair

Saturday, April 23, 2022

10 AM- 2 PM

Civic Center Plaza

355 McAllister, San Francisco, CA., 94102

The City and County of San Francisco is hosting a large citywide Career Resource Fair for job seekers from all backgrounds who are interested in exploring a career with the City. The City has job opportunities in a wide range of areas, in health care, public safety, technology, construction, human services, and more.

The [Access to City Employment \(ACE\) program](#), an employment initiative specifically for persons with disabilities, will be present at this event.

This is a free event. If interested in this event, please register at <https://sfdhr.org/career-events>.

To request accommodations for this event, please contact:

[***DHR-DiversityRecruitment@sfgov.org***](mailto:DHR-DiversityRecruitment@sfgov.org)

Agenda Items for future MDC Hearing consideration, action, or resolution:

Time Sensitive item considerations:

- **JFK Drive access/Great Highway/Continuation of slow streets:** When the State and Local Emergency Orders are lifted, in addition to JFK Drive, other current road closures and slow streets may be under permanent closure consideration. This is of significant current concern to the disability community, especially those who question how these permanent changes may impact access for residents with disabilities citywide.
- **Hybrid public meeting participation** for people with disabilities:
 - The Council may want to learn more about and track this effort, especially pertaining to the ongoing provision of disability access for all participants and aspects of Civic engagement. (Please see State Legislative item above regarding **Virtual Meetings** for more context)
 - Note: Hybrid meetings apply to City Charter and Policy bodies. The MDC is a passive meeting body and is therefore allowed to meet virtually until further notice.

- **Citywide Web Accessibility Policy:**
 - Dissemination of a citywide policy pertaining to accessibility and language access compliance is underway this Spring. The Council may want to learn about and track this effort, especially pertaining to remediation plans, training, and citywide compliance.
- **Summer Together/Summer Camp Resources:** MOD, Department of Children Youth and Families (DCYF), the San Francisco Unified School District and Recreation and Parks have worked over the past year to bring together a training curriculum aimed at improving access and awareness of the needs of kids with disabilities and their families who wish to participate in summer camp and after-school programs. It is MOD's hope that these efforts will result in fewer barriers for young people with disabilities in San Francisco. The MDC may consider a program update on this item.

Other Considerations:

- **Better Market Street accessibility** improvements update
- **Vision Zero/AB 2236:** See legislative item, above
- **Reinstitution of the MDC Beacon Award:** previously awarded to members of the disability public for outstanding contributions to disability access awareness in San Francisco.