**SACRAMENTO COUNTY DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION (DAC)**

**PHYSICAL ACCESS SUBCOMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES for March 15, 2022**

**Members Present:** Gene Lozano, Chair; Bill Fallai, Scott Harger, Randy Hicks, Mahavir “Kalli” Kallirai, Carol Moss, Kathy Sachen, Jeff Tardaguila

**Members Absent:**

**Guests**: Don Schmidt, Heather Yee, Keith Gotwalt, Mikki McDaniel Ben Rady, Department of Transportation

**Staff:** Cori Stillson and Cheryl Bennett, Disability Compliance Office (DCO)

**Call to Order and Introductions**

The Chair called the meeting to order and those present introduced themselves.

**Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes for the January 18 and February 15 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

**Public Comment**

No members of the public were present.

**Arden Way Complete Streets Phase I** - Department of Transportation (SacDOT)

Heather Yee provided an overview on the Arden Way Complete Streets Master Plan and the Phase 1 capital improvement project from Morse Avenue to Watt Avenue. Members expressed concerns regarding the proposed use of Class IV Bike Paths which pose hazards to pedestrians with disabilities. Ms. Yee noted that the bike lanes convert to Class II at bus stops to allow for curbside onboarding. The use of a new 12” by 12” trapezoid shaped barrier was discussed. Gene Lozano noted that these were not yet in any regulations and stated that they could easily be stepped over and not detected by a blind pedestrian. He requested more information and proposed viewing a sample and possibly meeting with the vendor. SacDOT staff was amenable to that suggestion and will follow up. Mr. Lozano recommended using Class I Bike Paths with a physical barrier between the pedestrian and bike paths. The Master Plan is expected to be complete this summer and construction will begin on Phase 1 in 2023.

**Item 2**

Ben Rady provided an overview of locations that are proposed for upgrades using anticipated Bicycle/Pedestrian grant funds. Of note are the Fruitridge Road/44th Avenue area and various freeway overpasses. Gene Lozano proposed developing guidelines for cycle tracks and shared use bicycle/pedestrian facilities. By consensus, Subcommittee members support these efforts in concept.

**Unfinished/New Business, Announcements**

These items were deferred in the interest of time.

**Proposed Topics for Next Agenda**

This discussion was deferred due to time constraints.

**Adjournment**

It was moved (Hicks) and seconded (Harger) to adjourn the meeting. Approved, unanimously.