

COUNTY OF MONTEREY

COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

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COUNTY OF MONTEREY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES SPECIAL MEETING

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2025

MINUTES

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson Gay called the Regular Meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

Commissioners Present – John Gay, Josh Bowling, Roger Miller, Jose Sanchez Barajas, Lorraine Gonzales, Steven Macias, and Hillary Theyer

Commissioners Absent – Stefanie Baughman (unexcused)

Staff Present – Senior Equal Opportunity Analyst, Natalie Alfaro; Senior Equal Opportunity Analyst, Daniel Gonzalez; Administrative Secretary (via Zoom), Ruby Jacinto; and Deputy County Counsel, Hanh Phan.

II. Public Comment

None.

III. Action Item: Approval of the Regular Meeting Action Minutes of September 29, 2025.

The Commission on Disabilities approved the draft Action Minutes of September 29, 2025.

Commissioner Theyer made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of September 29, 2025, as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Miller; motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Miller, Theyer, Bowling, Gay, Gonzales, Sanchez Barajas, and Macias

NOES: None

ABSENT: Baughman

ABSTAIN: None

NON-VOTING: None

IV. Review, Discuss, and Approve 2026 COD Meeting Schedule – Natalie Alfaro, CRO

The COD reviewed, discussed, and approved the 2026 COD Meeting Schedule.

Commissioner Macias made a motion to approve the revisions to the COD bylaws, as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Bowling; motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Miller, Theyer, Gay, Bowling, Gonzales, Sanchez Barajas, and Macias

NOES: None

ABSENT: Baughman

ABSTAIN: None

NON-VOTING: None

V. Review, Discuss, and Approve COD Letter of Support for Federally Funded Programs – Natalie Alfaro, CRO

The COD reviewed, discussed, and approved the COD Letter of Support for Federally Funded Programs.

CRO will finalize the letter and include the following recipients:

Board of Supervisors County of Monterey

Sonia De La Rosa, County Administrative Officer

Nick Chiulos, Chief Assistant County Administrative Officer

Nicole Hollingsworth, Legislative Program Manager

Commissioner Macias made a motion to approve the COD Letter of Support for Federally Funded Programs, as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Theyer; motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Miller, Theyer, Gay, Bowling, Gonzales, Sanchez Barajas, and Macias

NOES: None

ABSENT: Baughman

ABSTAIN: None

NON-VOTING: None

VI. Action Item: Discuss, Nominate, and Elect COD Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for 2026 – Chairperson Gay

The COD discussed, nominated, and elected Commissioner Steven Macias as Chairperson, and Commissioner Theyer for Vice-Chairperson for 2026.

Commissioner Theyer made a motion to approve the election for Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for 2026, as discussed; seconded by Commissioner Gonzales; motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Miller, Theyer, Gay, Bowling, Gonzales, Sanchez Barajas, and Macias

NOES: None
ABSENT: Baughman
ABSTAIN: None
NON-VOTING: None

VII. Announcements And Events

VIII. Future Agenda Items

- a. Emergency Communications Presentation
- b. DSS Disaster Sheltering Presentation
- c. Invitation/Presentation Member of the Board
- d. Annual Report

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:51 p.m.