

**Contra Costa County In-Home Supportive Services  
Public Authority Advisory Committee  
Advocacy Sub-committee  
October 18, 2016  
Meeting Summary**

**Members present:** Gary Gray, Wilson Cheng, Joe Juarez, Sarah Birdwell (phone)

**Absent:** Cathy Cratty

**Staff:** Jan Watson, Elizabeth Dondi and Beatriz Salgado

**Roll Call and Introductions:**

Chair Wilson Cheng called the meeting to order. A quorum was established.

**Public Comment Period:**

None

**Individual Member Reports & Announcements:**

Gary Gray reported that the Oakland Coliseum BART station elevator has been closed for 14 weeks in a row. Joe Juarez stated that the elevator at the Pittsburg station has been closed for three weeks. Sarah Birdwell said that the elevator at the Pleasant Hill station has been closed for three months. She said that she must ride past her stop in Pleasant Hill all the way to Concord and then back to Pleasant Hill station in order to be on the right side of the platform to use the working elevator. Sarah said that she has been refusing to pay for her BART ride as long as the elevator is down. Jan Watson suggested that Gary may wish to write to the BART manager who had given the committee his personal email address in response to a letter sent to BART. Beatriz Salgado provided the BART manager's information to Gary.

**Approval of July 19, 2016 meeting summary:**

Joe moved, and Gary seconded a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried; see votes below:

|   |                | Approval of Meeting Summary |    |        |         |
|---|----------------|-----------------------------|----|--------|---------|
|   |                | Yes                         | No | Absent | Abstain |
| 1 | Sarah Birdwell |                             |    |        | X       |
| 2 | Wilson Cheng   | X                           |    |        |         |
| 3 | Cathy Cratty   |                             |    | X      |         |
| 4 | Gary Gray      | X                           |    |        |         |
| 5 | Joe Juarez     | X                           |    |        |         |

**Unfinished Business:**

Gary stated that he had been in contact with LeRoy Moore regarding the possibility of his helping with a disability awareness fair. He said that LeRoy would be glad to help but that he wishes to be paid. Jan reported that she had raised the question of holding such a fair with the Director of Aging and Adult Services. The Director said that she doesn't think that the Public Authority has the staff time or resources to put on such an event. She mentioned to Jan that the Employment and Human Services Department (EHSD) is in the process of revamping all its outreach materials.

**New Business:**

No discussion held.

**Agenda items for next meeting**

Under Unfinished Business:

BART elevators

East Bay Paratransit

Under New Business:

Discussion of senior/disabled issues

**Next Meeting:**

November 15, 2016

**3:00 PM – 4:00 PM, 500 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill**

The meeting was adjourned by Wilson Cheng.

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Wilson Cheng, Chair

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