



ACCESS APPEALS COMMISSION--DRAFT

MINUTES

Regular Meeting Wednesday, November 10, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by President Lerner at 1:20 P.M.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Arnie Lerner President
Mr. William Scott Ellsworth, Vice- President
Mr. Walter Park
Ms. Alyce G. Brown
Dr. Ronald Vernali

CITY REPRESENTATIVES:

Mr. Tom Fessler, Secretary

2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from November 10, 2010 were adopted with the amendments requested by Commissioner Brown.

3. REVIEW OF COMMUNICATIONS ITEMS:

Secretary Fessler reported the secretary to the Building Inspection Commission was trying to get Commissioners Lerner and Ellsworth reappointed to the Disabled Access Commission. Both commissioners' terms may continue for 60 days after expiration of their terms.

4. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF COMMISSION OFFICERS:

Commissioner Ellsworth was elected President and Commissioner Vernali Vice-President.

5. NEW APPEAL:

Because of the lack of a court reporter, the commission determined the appeal #10-09 would not be heard at this meeting. The appeal was continued to a regular meeting of the commission on December 8, 2010.

6. COMMISSIONER'S AND STAFF'S QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

Secretary Fessler brought up the issue of time limits to the decisions made by the Commission. In the past some of the decisions were given a three year time limits and other decisions none. For

the sake of clarity and consistency, should the commission impose time limits on all future decisions? Commissioner Lerner stated that the codes addressing disabled access have not changed significantly over the years and time limits don't need to be set in all cases. Commissioner Park reminded everyone that the past and present city attorneys have suggested a three year time limit, contingent with the code cycle, be set. Further research by staff was proposed and no decision reached.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Thomas Fessler, Building Inspector
Department of Building Inspection
Secretary to the Access Appeals Commission