

**LINKED MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE DISABILITIES
ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, HELD IN THE
JANELL WHITLOCK MUNICIPAL COMPLEX BUILDING ON MAY 8, 2026, AT
10:30 A.M.**

Present:	Deborah Pinching	Chair
	Rory O’Neil	Vice Chair
	Machelle Tackett	Board Member
	Carrie Boatwright	Board Member <i>arrived at 10:34</i>
	Belinda Jones	Board Member
	Emma Krum	Board Member
	Ryan Nelson	Board Member
Absent:		
Also Present:	Jeff Patterson	Planning Director
	Trysha Ortiz	Deputy Planning Director
	Jalynn Dominguez	Open Meetings Act Manager

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0:00:03 **1. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Roll was called, determining the presence of a quorum.

0:00:37 **2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 10, 2026**

0:02:05 **MOTION**

The motion was made by Ms. Tackett and seconded by Ms. Krumm to approve the meeting minutes from April 10, 2026

0:02:23 **VOTE**

The vote was as follows; Yes - Pinching, O'Neil, Tackett, Krumm, Jones; No - None; Absent - Boatwright; the motion carried

0:02:36 **3. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO TOUR THE CASCADES RECREATIONAL AND WELLNESS CENTER – JUNE 12, 2026**

0:03:16 **MOTION**

The motion was made by Ms. Krumm and seconded by Mr. O'Neil to approve to Tour the Cascades Recreational and Wellness Center – June 12, 2026

0:03:24 **VOTE**

The vote was as follows; Yes - Pinching, O'Neil, Tackett, Krumm, Jones; No - None; Absent - Boatwright; the motion carried

0:03:52 **4. DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF THE TRANSITIONAL FAIR**

Mr. O'Neil stated that the event went very well. He noted that the people were helpful and that most of those in attendance were seniors from Carlsbad High School. **Mrs. Pinching** stated that they were able to distribute the resource list to attendees. She also shared information about the devices provided for the low vision support group, including a talking thermometer and a talking blood pressure monitor. **Ms. Boatwright** stated that she appreciated all of the vendors who attended and noted that everyone was respectful of the space and of those in attendance.

0:10:32 **5. UPDATE REGARDING RYAN NELSON**

Ms. Dominguez stated that Ryan Nelson's appointment had been rescinded because the Oath of Office was not completed within the required timeframe. She explained because the board currently exceeds the five-member limit, no additional appointments can be made until a vacancy occurs and the board complies with the required five-member capacity.

0:11:40 **6. DISCUSSION OF CONCERNS REGARDING SIDEWALKS, PARKING, AND STREET REPAIRS NEEDED**

Mrs. Krumm stated that at the last meeting she had reported the issue at the Halagueno address. She noted since it was mentioned last month, she believes the matter has likely not yet been resolved due to the short timeframe since it was acknowledged. **Mr. O'Neil** stated that trash containers on Church Street had previously been removed from the sidewalk, but he has noticed that the trash cans are now back on the sidewalk.

0:13:21 **7. APPROVAL OF AN ADA-FRIENDLY BUSINESS TO RECOGNIZE**

Mr. O'Neil stated that he would like to recommend the Holiday Inn Express on Pierce Street. He noted that the hotel has a great entrance with plenty of space, and that the elevator was spacious and easily accessible.

0:14:35 **MOTION**

The motion was made by Mr. O'Neil and seconded by Ms. Jones to approve to recognize the Holiday Inn Express as an ADA-friendly business

0:14:45 **VOTE**

The vote was as follows; Yes - Pinching, O'Neil, Tackett, Boatwright, Krumm, Jones; No - None; Absent - None; the motion carried

0:15:06 **8. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS. (THREE-MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER PERSON. ALL COMMENTS MUST BE RESPECTFUL AND COURTEOUS IN NATURE)**

Mrs. Pinching asked about the call-in number for meetings. **Ms. Ortiz** stated that the information was posted on the agenda and that the same call-in number and access code

will continue to be used. **Ms. Ortiz** stated that next month's meeting will be held at the Cascades Recreation and Wellness Center.

0:20:30

Adjourn

With no further business, Mrs. Pinching adjourned the meeting at 10:50 AM.

Deborah Pinching, Chairman

Date

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