**Houston Commission on Disabilities**

**August 14th, 2025 — 4:00 - 6:00 PM**

The Houston Commission on Disabilities is an in-person meeting at TranStar (6922 Katy Road) in the Conference Room. Doors open at 3:30pm. The meeting is streamed on the City of Houston Office for People with Disabilities Facebook page.

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order (Meridith Silcox, Chair)
2. Roll Call (Kimberly Blanchard, Program Assistant, City of Houston Office for People with Disabilities)
3. Review and Approval of June Meeting Minutes
4. Chair’s Comments (Chair Silcox)
5. Public Comments (Names of those who have indicated their interest in speaking will be called, each speaker will have a maximum of 3 minutes to speak)
   1. Augustin Villarreal – Sharing personal story
   2. Meghan Castillo – Castillo Counselling Services, sharing information regarding counseling services available to the community
6. OPD Report (Angel Ponce, Director, Office for People with Disabilities)
7. Expert Speakers –
   1. Shana Halvorsen – Founder and CEO, EmpowerED, LLC
      1. Support services for families and students for educational success
   2. Wendy Maurer – Regional Business Development Manager – Cole Health Pediatric Therapy, ABA Solutions
      1. IEP supports in public education
8. MMSC Report (Chuck French, Administration Manager, Houston Parks and Recreation Department)
9. ADA Update (Robin Jolivet-White, HR Division Manager)
10. Commissioner’s Comments
    1. Share highlights and updates on community engagement
11. Events
12. Adjourn