

MEMORANDUM – DENVER COMMISSION FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

TO:	City Council
FROM:	Office of Boards & Commissions
DATE:	9/27/24
PURPOSE:	Appointments for Denver Commission for People with Disabilities
PROCESS:	City Council Confirmation

CURRENT BOARD STATUS

Staff Liaison: Lorrie Kosinski, HRCP

Scope of Board/Commission:

The mission of the Denver Commission for People with Disabilities (DCPD) is to promote and enhance equality for people with disabilities through empowerment, advocacy, and education by working with community members, as well as City and County of Denver officials and employees who have the ability to effect change.

Appointment Process:

The Mayor appoints up to 21 members and City Council confirms appointments for a term of 3 years.

Mayor Mike Johnston has approved the below appointments.

Mario Dino



Bio: was raised in Denver and is completing his senior year at University of Redlands. He currently serves on the Denver Golf Advisory Board and his enthusiasm for golf and adaptive golf is what led him to apply for the DCPD. Mario was born with cerebral palsy and plans to work in the arena of accessible transportation upon graduation. Mario will be moving back to Denver upon his graduation in May.

Term: 11/1/2024 - 10/31/2027 or until a successor is duly appointed.

Michelle Dumay



Bio: Michelle Dumay moved to Denver from Phoenix a year ago. Michelle is very knowledgeable regarding the healthcare, educational and social services systems that support the disabled population in Denver. Michelle currently sits on the Intellectual Developmental Disabilities Equitable Access to Services (IDDEAS) advisory council and was recruited by a sitting DCPD commissioner.

Term: 11/1/2024 - 10/31/2027 or until a successor is duly appointed.

Tralaine Bigbee

Bio: Tralaine Bigbee is a parent of a school age child with autism and shared her experience living and receiving support services from Warren Village (serves unhoused single parent families in Denver). Tralaine has paid it forward through offering support and teaching classes on parenting children with special needs. She believes strongly in being a voice for the voiceless and will bring an aspect of lived experience to the DCPD that it is currently lacking.

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CURRENT BOARD**Mayoral Appointments:****TERM END DATE**

Elena Mendoza	09-30-24
Timothy Dodd	09-30-25
Alicia Cooper	09-30-25
Karen Roberts	09-30-25
Danny Combs	09-30-26
Stephanie Crookston	05-31-27
Dedra Prester	05-31-27
Christine Humphrey	05-31-27
Ty Smith	05-31-27