

- (6) Developing programs to insure adequate housing for people with disabilities; and
- (7) Developing programs to insure accessible communications for people with disabilities.

(Ord. No. 93-956, § 1, 8-18-93)

**Sec. 2-388. Mayor's office on disabilities.**

There is hereby established a mayor's office on disabilities. The office shall report to and be directly accountable to the mayor or, at the mayor's discretion, the chief of staff. The office shall be headed by an individual whose job title shall be drawn from the city's existing Master Classification Ordinance at the discretion of the mayor and who shall be an executive level employee and shall have such additional personnel as may be authorized by ordinance, from time to time.

(Ord. No. 93-956, § 1, 8-18-93)

**Sec. 2-389. Purpose.**

The mayor's office on disabilities shall provide support for initiatives of the commission and shall serve as liaison between the mayor, city council, city departments, and other public and private entities on matters pertaining to people with disabilities in the greater Houston metropolitan area.

(Ord. No. 93-956, § 1, 8-18-93)

**Sec. 2-390. Duties and authority of individual designated by the mayor to head the mayor's office on disabilities.**

The individual designated by the mayor to head the mayor's office on disabilities shall perform various duties including, but not limited to the following:

- (1) Assist in developing, coordinating and formulating policies and legislation relating to all people with disabilities, and assist in overseeing the implementation of programs consistent with such policies and legislation;
- (2) Act as a public advocate for the rights and needs of all people with disabilities;

- (3) Assist in coordination of compliance with all federal, state and city laws concerning people with disabilities;
- (4) Assist in analyzing existing programs for people with disabilities, and in developing and promoting additional programs for people with disabilities;
- (5) Assist in maintaining demographic and statistical data regarding people with disabilities;
- (6) Assist and educate individuals and entities in the public and private sectors regarding the implementation of the Americans With Disabilities Act; and
- (7) Provide information to assist in planning and prioritizing allocations for enhancing services and facilities for people with disabilities.

(Ord. No. 93-956, § 1, 8-18-93)

**Secs. 2-391—2-395. Reserved.**

DIVISION 6. JOINT CITY/COUNTY COMMISSION ON CHILDREN\*

**Sec. 2-396. Commission created.**

The joint city/county commission on children is hereby created. The commission shall serve as an advisory body to the city and Harris County governments and their officers and agencies.

(Ord. No. 93-1469, § 1, 11-17-93)

**Sec. 2-397. Composition.**

(a) The commission shall consist of 25 members to be appointed and confirmed as follows:

- (1) Position one shall be the chair, who shall be jointly nominated by the mayor

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\***Editor's note**—Ord. No. 99-1366, § 3, adopted December 21, 1999, states that §§ 2-397—2-400 shall become effective on January 1, 2000. Effective at that time, the membership of the Joint City/County Commission on Children is dissolved and the terms of the members heretofore appointed to serve until December 31, 2000, are early terminated. Consistent with the provisions of the foregoing sections of this division, new commissioners shall be appointed to serve in all positions of the commission, as reestablished, with the exception of position 25. Members so appointed to odd-numbered positions of the commission shall initially serve the unexpired term that ends on December 31, 2000.