



## ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD

### Meeting Minutes

WEDNESDAY, November 8, 2023

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Location: Civic Center Plaza**

**1200 Third Ave, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**

**San Diego, CA 92101**

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### Agenda

- Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call  
Meeting called to order at 10:34  
Present: Chair Wolford, Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry, Members Jackson, Roosen, and Koczur  
Absent: Members Elaine Cooluris, Wayne Landon, Letty Zuno
  
- Item 2: Non-Agenda Public Comment  
None

- Item 3: Action: Approval of Minutes of July 12, 2023, and September 13, 2023 Motion by Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry, second by Member Jackson, to approve meeting minutes of July 12, 2023, and September 13, 2023. Passed unanimously with members Cooluris and Landon absent.
- Item 4: Information Item: Facilities Transition Plan - Update and Review (Alejandra Warner, Access Compliance Officer, ADA Compliance and Accessibility Program, City of San Diego)  
Ms. Warner provided an update and presentation to the City's Facilities Transition Plans, and highlighted other projects throughout the City that includes ADA and inclusive design elements. Chair Wolford expressed concerns about the amount of the funding dedicated to remediating complaints and transition plan projects. Members were extremely appreciative of the information.
- Item 5: Ad Hoc Committee Updates & Reports
- a. Budget Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Wolford, Sieglen-Perry, Koczur, Zuno)
    - I. Chair Wolford announced she emailed the Mayor and Councilmembers a brief email asking for the same requests as the Board last year. The Ad Hoc Committee will follow up with meetings.
  - b. Increasing Accessible Housing Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Landon, Roosen)
    - I. Chair Wolford sunset the committee, Liaison Curtis assured group she would continue to internally push for additional accessible housing above what is required in the California Building Code (CBC).
  - c. Universal Design Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Landon, Jackson, Sieglen-Perry, Roosen)
    - I. Liaison Warner suggested that the ad hoc committee learn about the changes to the CBC and provide public comment at meetings.
  - d. Disability Advocates – Outreach & Recruit Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Wolford, Jackson, Zuno)
    - I. Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry will work to obtain list of non-profits from Port.
  - e. Day with a Disability Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Landon, Roosen, Sieglen-Perry)
    - I. Member Roosen announced that RSVP invitation was sent for the event dates of Feb. 8 and 9. Received five affirmative including Councilmember von Wilpert, Chief of Staff to Mayor Gloria Paola Avila, and Communications Director Rachel Laing.

Item 6: Chair Report

- Chair Wolford told the group about Poppi the Guide Dog and her owner. The owner and her guide dog were almost hit by a car when crossing a roundabout, as the blind woman and her guide dog are unable to tell when it is safe to cross at roundabout. Liaison Curtis researched Poppi the Guide Dog social media accounts and let the group know the service dog and its owner live in Australia.

Item 7: City Liaison Report

- Active Transportation and Infrastructure Committee today at 2:00, AAB was emailed agenda on Monday. Included on the agenda are the Draft Mobility Master Plan (MMP) and Complete Streets Policy. MMP was presented at AAB a few month ago.
- Ocean Beach Pier Renewal - all potential designs have accessibility built into project, final of four workshops to be held in January. Sign up for alerts at <https://www.sandiego.gov/cip/ocean-beach-pier-renewal>
- Reminded members to watch required PRA and Brown Act training videos.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Pedestrian Promenade – Liaison Warner provided comments on the feasibility study regarding what accessibility elements are required for the project.

Item 8: Old Business

None.

Item 9: Board Comments or Announcements

None.

Item 10: Adjournment – Happy Holidays, see you in 2024!

Meeting adjourned 12:30.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: January 10, 2024**

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