

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, February 18, 2016

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

CIVIC CENTER PLAZA –FOURTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

1200 Third Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101

1. CALL TO ORDER
 - a. Meeting called to order at 10:34 am with Board Members Ringler, Martinez, Cooluris, Chapman, Miles, Hank, Landon and Sieglen-Perry Present. Crisci not present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
None

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
Motion by Landon, Second by Hank, to approve minutes of January 13, 2016. Approved unanimously (yay: Landon, Hank, Ringler, Martinez, Cooluris, Chapman, Miles, and Sieglen-Perry; nay: none; abstain: none)

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
 - a. FY17 Budget Development Process – City is currently developing Fiscal Year 2017 budget, as part of that process the Office of ADA Compliance and Accessibility is requesting funds to remove architectural barriers from facilities listed in our Transition Plan, and to remediate complaints received from individuals with disabilities.
 - b. Harbor and Ash – The pre-construction meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2016, and the start date will be determined at the meeting. The project is anticipated to start by the week of February 15, 2016.
 - c. San Diego Center for the Blind (Center) – Office of ADA is working with the Center to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility in public right-of-way directly in front of the

Center on El Cajon Boulevard. Work includes extending the railing in front of the Center and removing a tree; all work was approved by the business improvement district.

- d. Parkade undergoing automation – Thyme will meet with city to ensure Parkade is accessible.

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Downtown San Diego Draft Mobility Plan (presentation by Brad Richter Assistant vice president of planning, Civic San Diego)

No Action taken. Members commented on the lack of accessible features shown in project schematics/renderings, and concern that universal design concept was not used in schematics. Mr. Richter commented that accessibility features, as required by law, will be discussed with design group, who was not hired at the time of the presentation. Board Members requested Mr. Richter return to a future AAB meeting for Board Comment on the accessibility and universal design components of mobility plan, Mr. Richter stated he would.

6. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Creation and approval of the Accessibility Advisory Board's Mission Statement.
Motion by Cooluris, Second by Ringler, to approve, "Inspiring and promoting effective solutions to achieve universal accessibility for all." Approved unanimously (yay: Landon, Hank, Ringler, Martinez, Cooluris, Chapman, Miles, and Sieglen-Perry; nay: none; abstain: none)
- b. Creation and approval of the Accessibility Advisory Board's Bylaws (*see attachment*)
Motion by Sieglen-Perry, Second by Ringler, approved unanimously (yay: Hank, Landon, Ringler, Martinez, Cooluris, Chapman, Miles, and Sieglen-Perry; nay: none; abstain: none)

7. BOARD COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Member Miles volunteered for chairperson, Member Cooluris stated she believes the chairperson should have a visible disability. Item will placed on next agenda.
- b. Member Sieglen-Perry recommended the chairperson recognize a member prior to the member commenting or speaking.
- c. Member Sieglen-Perry suggested AAB organize an annual event, members agreed should organize this event for the month of October and requested the item be placed on the March agenda.
- d. Member Hank announced World Down Syndrome Day on March 21.
- e. Member Chapman announced MS Awareness Month on April 23 at NTC.
- f. Member Martinez announced Vision Impairment Resource Fair on February 20th at the Braille Institute.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.