

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES

THURSDAY, March 16, 2017
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA – FOURTH FLOOR, LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
1200 Third Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 10:35 a.m. with Chair Landon and members Cooluris, Crisci, Hank, Ringler, Sieglen-Perry present. Members Chapman, Martinez, and Miles absent.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None. Visitors introduced.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Cooluris, second by Ringler, to approve minutes of February 16, 2017. Passed 3-0-2 (yay: Cooluris, Landon, and Ringler; nay: none; abstain: Crisci and Hank).

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director (ED) Curtis gave the following report:

- a. There will be a deficit in next year's City budget of approximately \$50 million that will affect how projects are funded. ED distributed the Five Year Financial Outlook report for information.
- b. Transfer of accessible project responsibilities back to asset managing department is a new policy that went into effect 1/1/17 for the ADA office. The Office of ADA Compliance and Accessibility will focus on compliance and enforcement.

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

a. The chair stated that he is awaiting a response from MTS regarding the trolley track access issue across from the Central Library.

b. Mary Wolford delivered to Chair Landon from resident who had concerns about parking and tram service in Balboa Park; item will be on next month's agenda for discussion.

6. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Board Discussion: Creation of Universal Design Guidelines for Pre-Fabricated Restrooms The Board came up with a list of universal design recommendations they want incorporated into City projects.
- b. Creation of Disability Awareness Event Ad Hoc Committee Event on October 24, 2017, at Horton Plaza Park
 - i. Motion by Crisi, second by Landon, to have Cooluris and Hank co-chair the Disability Awareness Event Ad Hoc Committee. Passed 6-0-0 (yay: Cooluris, Crisci, Hank, Landon, Ringler, and Sieglen-Perry; nay: none; abstain: none).

7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Ringler announced his attendance at the CSUN conference:
 - i. The zoo will apply for a grant for audio and website access that includes braille printer that prints in braille, ink, and tactile for simulating how animals feels, and installing UbiDuo keyboards that communicate to staff at the ticket booths.
- b. Landon announced that he went to Washington, D.C. to speak with Congress and Senate members regarding Airaccess30.org, a site where you can share your airline travel experiences.

8. COMMITTEE UPDATES

a. Universal Design Ad Hoc Committee Member Crisi updated members on the recommendations provided to City staff on Universal Design for the YMCA project. Members discussed their desire to develop a significant City policy on universal design so the City recognizes its importance and becomes proactive on universal design access issues.

9. BOARD COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Board Member Hank announced Down Syndrome Day on March 21 at Leichtag Healing Garden.
- b. Board Member Hank announced the Catholic Diocese's diverse learning needs presentation on March 29, and a special education certification courses in El Cajon on March 31 and April 1st.

10. BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS ITEMS

- a. Motion by Sieglen, second by Cooluris, to have placed on April agenda discussion regarding citywide universal design policy recommendations. Passed 6-0-0 (yay: Cooluris, Crisci, Hank, Landon, Ringler, and Sieglen-Perry; nay: none; abstain: none).
- b. Motion by Sieglen, second by Cooluris, to have placed on April agenda discussion regarding city funding of access projects for the May Revision budget. Passed 6-0-0 (yay: Cooluris, Crisci, Hank, Landon, Ringler, and Sieglen-Perry; nay: none; abstain: none).

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c. New MTS bus system

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am