



ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

WEDNESDAY, January 14, 2026

In-Person Meeting, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Location: [Malcolm X Branch Library](#)
[5148 Market Street](#)
[San Diego, CA 92114](#)

Chair: Victor Roosen

Board Members: Vice Chair Patricia Sieglen-Perry, Elaine Cooluris, Jacqueline Jackson, Diane Koczur, Wayne Landon, Kate Pecora, Mary Wolford

Staff Liaison: Thyme Curtis (tcurtis@saniego.gov)

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- Item 1: Call to Order (Chair Roosen)
Call to order at 10:31 AM
- Item 2: Roll Call (Chair Roosen)
Present: Chair Roosen, Vice Chair Patricia Sieglen-Perry, Elaine Cooluris, Jacqueline Jackson, Diane Koczur, Wayne Landon, Kate Pecora, Mary Wolford
Absent: None
- Item 3: Information: Mayoral Update from Randy Wilde, Policy Advisor, Mayor Todd Gloria
Mr. Wilde provided updates on the Fiscal Year 2027 including that the five-year budget projections reflect deficit in FY27 and that Council budget priorities memo went to the Independent Budget Analyst January 7.
Potential funding opportunities include Development Impact Fees as they are now City-wide which allows for different prioritization of park projects; parking meter revenues which are collected in four City parking meter zones and are now allocated through Transportation Department's budget process; Mission Bay lease revenues which goes through the Mission Bay Park Committee.
Mr. Wilde discussed the Convention Center Measure C - funds are now being collected for the Convention Center modernization and homelessness endeavors - discussions occurring January 29 at the Active Transportation Committee. Public electrical vehicle charging stations being installed at public spaces. Autonomous vehicle company Waymo coming to San Diego; California Department of Motor Vehicles and California Public Utilities Commission both must approve but there is no local approval. Waymo expects San Diego deployment in calendar year 2026.

Member Pecora stated expectation that City provide policy requirements for autonomous vehicles. Mr. Wilde suggested Waymo be invited to speak to AAB and will provide contact info for Waymo.

Member Cooluris asked where the trash fee is going, Mr. Wilde let the board know all fees pay directly for the collection service.

Member Pecora requested a study be done to ensure required accessible spaces exist in each Balboa Park parking lot.

Item 4: Information: Ana Seda, Executive Director of the Braille Institute of San Diego
Ms. Seda provided an informational presentation on the services and programs provided at the Braille Institute of San Diego. Her contact is ASeda@BrailleInstitute.org and 858-404-5001.

Member Wolford suggested the Accessibility Advisory Board (Board) partner with the Braille Institute to help advocate for funding requests made by the Board to Mayor and Council.

Member Pecora asked how Braille Institute clients obtain transportation to the Institute; Ms. Seda commented it is a challenge with a recent transportation grant becoming no longer available. Member Pecora requested that she and Ms. Seda have a conversation about the transportation needs apart from the work Member Pecora does on the Board.

Item 5: Action: Accessible Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) Policy Letter
(Member Kate Pecora)

Motion from Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry to accept the letter with Member Jackson seconding; passed unanimously with all members present.

Item 6: Information: Ad Hoc Committee Updates & Reports

a. Budget Ad Hoc Committee (Ad Hoc Committee Chair: Wolford; Members: Roosen, Koczur)

b. Outreach Ad Hoc Committee (Ad Hoc Committee Chair: Pecora; Members: Wolford, Koczur, and Roosen)

I. Committee Chair Pecora created map of local non-profit organizations that can be engaged with; she is working on creating social media pages.

c. Day with a Disability Ad Hoc Committee (Ad Hoc Committee Chair: Landon; Members: Roosen, Sieglen-Perry)

d. Accessible Transportation Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee (Ad Hoc Committee Chair: Pecora; Members: Koczur, Cooluris, Jackson)

I. Committee Chair Pecora San Diego stated the Accessible Rider Coalition had its first meeting, next meeting is February 5, 2026. FACT started on-demand service and provides rides within two hours. She is working on lack of accessible rides to and from the San Diego Airport.

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Item 7: Board Member Discussion
Liaison Curtis introduced new staff member in the ADA Compliance and Accessibility team, Adam Futo.

Item 8: Non-Agenda Public Comment
Chair Roosen read a public comment from a Mr. Richard Skinner, received through the web form, regarding his landlord removing accessible parking.

Next Regular Meeting: February 11, 2026

