



# ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD

## MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, January 14, 2021

2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

### ONLINE MEETING

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW LIVE](#) VIA YOUTUBE at its scheduled time.

#### CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 2:30 with Chair Hank, Vice Chair Wolford, and Members Landon, Gibbens, and Cooluris present. Members Crisci absent.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

**Public Comment:** Pursuant to the provisions California Executive Order 29-20, Commission meeting will be held via teleconference until further notice. In lieu of in-person attendance, members of the public may submit their comments via a public comment webform. Members of the public wishing to address the Commission under Public Comment must submit a Public Comment webform prior to the meeting. Instructions for word limitations and deadlines will be noted on the webform. Pursuant to open meeting laws, no discussion or action, other than a referral, shall be taken by the Commission on any issue brought forth under non-agenda public comment.

1. Alyssa Muto, Director of the Mobility Department, introduced herself.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Accessible Housing Code Update

Executive Director Curtis discussed current work underway with her department and the Planning Department to increase accessible housing units above and beyond what is required per California Building Code. It is still in the planning stages and hoping the final Council approval will occur this year.

Informational item only.

#### MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

1. October 15, 2020

Motion by Member Cooluris, second by Member Landon, to approve. Passed unanimously with members Sieglen-Perry and Crisci absent.

#### DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA

1. Standard Report

Executive Director Curtis presented the Draft Standard Report to the board. Member Landon motioned, with Vice Chair Wolford seconding, to approve with change for Executive Director Curtis to email to member for a brief review prior to sending final to City Clerk. Passed unanimously with members Sieglen-Perry and Crisci absent.

2. Curb Ramp Scoring

Alejandra Warner, Access Specialist for the Office of ADA Compliance and Accessibility, City of San Diego, briefly discussed the need to update the curb ramp scoring matrix. Chair Hank created an ad hoc committee to work with Ms. Warner on the update with members Wolford, Landon, and Sieglen-Perry.

#### COMMITTEE UPDATES

1. Universal Design Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Kim Gibbens, Wayne Landon)

No report

2. Increasing Accessible Housing Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Michelle Crisci and Wayne Landon, and Elaine Cooluris)

No report; item on informational agenda.

3. Budget Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Board Chair Sharla Hank, Mary Wolford, Patricia Sieglen-Perry)  
No report

#### CHAIR'S REPORT

None.

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Beginning at the March meeting, we will be using Zoom Webinar instead of Microsoft Teams.
2. Working to replace project assistant position that was last filled by Brock Jones, who retired last year.
3. City and County now has "Text to 9-1-1" ability for all who need it.
4. Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles (WAVs) data – shows very little available here in San Diego County but hoping that improves with State Law.
5. Lifts for docks – researched if any lifts available, found only for Challenged Sailing group but not for general public. Ms. Curtis will research installing one or more on City waterways.

#### OLD BUSINESS

1. Accessibility Advisory Board Meeting Matrix

#### BOARD COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Chair Hank mentioned DS Action is focusing on health and wellness for all. Would like to hear what other member-affiliated organizations are doing at this time during the pandemic.
2. Vice Chair Wolford mentioned the State is updating building code, and is providing online training (for a fee) for CASps and those studying to become a CASp.
3. Access Specialist Alex Warner updated group that the Access Board has also revamped its accessibility guidelines and has great training products with graphics.

#### ADJOURNMENT

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: March 11, 2021 at 2:30**

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