ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, September 14, 2022
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
END TIME IS APPROXIMATE, MEETING MAY END EARLY OR LATE

This scheduled Zoom meeting is dependent on the San Diego City Council passing Item S508: Recommend Council to Adopt a Resolution Authorizing Teleconferenced Public Meetings Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953, at its Tuesday, September 13 meeting.

ONLINE MEETING
CLICK HERE TO VIEW LIVE VIA Zoom at its scheduled time.

If Council does not pass Item s-508, the meeting will be held in person at:
1200 Third Avenue, 18th Floor, San Diego, CA 92101

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CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL
Virtual Zoon meeting called to order at 10:31
Present: Chair Wolford, Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry, Members Jackson, Cooluris, Roosen, Markowski, and Landon
Absent: Member McKenzie

PUBLIC COMMENT
No public comment.
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When the chair indicates it is your turn to speak, click the unmute prompt that will appear on your computer, tablet or Smartphone, or dial *6 on your phone.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
1. Victor Roosen, ADA Coordinating Program Manager, San Diego Gas & Electric
   a. Member Roosen introduced himself, stating he previously worked at the Red Cross where he re-wrote sheltering manual and witnessed many barriers for people with disabilities, now it is part of his DNA to ensure there is equal access.

2. Dr. Kasey Markoski, Consultant for International Programs for People with Vision Loss.
   a. Member Markoski introduced herself, stating she has a PhD in Special Education and her professional experience is in working with all ages of people with vision loss. She has worked with City’s ADA team and enjoy getting creative during planning stage of projects to make projects available for people of all abilities.

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS
1. Brief Review of Transition Plan Facilities Included in Recent California State Funding Allocation to City Facilities
   a. Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry commented on how exciting it is to have such a windfall of funding for City facilities.
   b. Chair Wolford requested at a future meeting a FY23 budget overview for ADA transition plan project facilities and complaints.

2. Rancho Bernardo Recreation Center Project Review (Alejandra Warner, Access Specialist, ADA Compliance and Accessibility Section, City of San Diego)
   Ms. Warner provided a presentation of the Rancho Bernardo Recreation Center Project.
3. City of San Diego IBA Report on FY24 Budget Development and Discussion of Board’s Budget Ad Hoc Committee Plans for FY24 Budget

Chair Wolford provided overview of the Board’s efforts last budget cycle. She stated the AAB lobbies the Council, Mayor, and IBA every year for ADA Compliance and Accessibility Section projects via the Budget Ad Hoc Committee. They try to get in front of the budget process early in the year, and the process is starting now. The Ad Hoc Committee requests from ADA Coordinator and AAB Staff Liaison Curtis and her staff on what is highest priority are for TP and complaints, so AAB knows what to lobby for.

Chair Wolford requested Staff Liaison Curtis provide updated figures for Ad Hoc Committee’s Budget Requests PowerPoint.

Member Landon requested that last year’s AAB Budget PowerPoint be sent to all members.

Chair Wolford appointed Kasey Markoski to the Budget Ad Hoc Committee per Member Markoski’s request. Ad Hoc Budget Committee members are Chair Wolford, Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry, Members Landon and Markoski.

MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

1. July 13, 2022
   Member Landon motioned, Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry seconded, to approve meeting meetings. Passed unanimously with members Roosen and Markowski abstaining and Member McKenzie absent.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

1. Universal Design Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Jacqueline Jackson, Wayne Landon, Victor Roosen)
   No Update

2. Increasing Accessible Housing Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Victor Roosen, Wayne Landon)
   a. Staff Liaison Curtis will be setting up a meeting with committee to brainstorm with the City’s Planning Department ways in which Accessory Dwelling Units can be incentivized to be built accessible or adaptable.
   b. Chair Wolford appointed Member Roosen to the committee.

3. Budget Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Board Chair Mary Wolford, Members Patricia Sieglen-Perry and Wayne Landon)
CHAIR’S REPORT
Attended an event for service dogs, as Mary uses a hearing alert dog. Biggest need is for “puppy raisers.” Visit www.dogsforbetterlives.org/puppyraiser for more information.

STAFF LIAISON REPORT
• Virtual meetings are allowed only when City Council makes necessary findings to allow, per state law. Council must make these findings every 30 days. There may be a time when in-person meetings are required.
  o Chair Wolford asked if a member could make a reasonable modification request allowing attendance from home due to inability to travel to an in-person meeting due to their disability, thus allowing it in limited circumstances without disclosing address because it’s due to a disability. Liaison Curtis will seek City Attorney’s guidance on this question.
• Mayor Gloria supported the CASp funding assembly bill, now called the Accessibility Compliance Fund. This bill continues the $4 fee for every business tax license rather than reverting to $1. Waiting on Governor Newsom’s signature.
• Briefed group that Park Blvd along Balboa Park will have protected bikes lanes and eliminate all parking, except two new accessible parking spaces for access to the Rose Garden.
  o Additionally, the City is surveying Balboa Drive to change to diagonal spaces, thus adding over 100 spaces.
  o ADA Compliance and Accessibility is applying for a grant to provide door-to-door service within Balboa Park exclusively for seniors and individuals with disabilities.
• California State granted City $750 Million for stormwater improvements. When any large infrastructure projects happen in the City public rights-of-way improvements are often triggered, making our City more accessible.

OLD BUSINESS

BOARD COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS
• Member Jackson requested the unfunded complaint list for Council District 4.

ADJOURNMENT
12:04

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: October 12, 2022, at 10:30 AM

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