

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

WEDNESDAY, March 8, 2023 **In-Person** Meeting, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. <u>Location: Civic Center Plaza – 1200 3rd Avenue,</u> <u>San Diego, CA 92101, 4th Floor – Conference Room</u>

Chair: Mary Wolford | Vice Chair: Patricia Seiglen-Perry

Members: Elaine Cooluris, Jacqueline Jackson, Diane Koczur, Wayne Landon, Kasey Markoski, Victor Roosen

Staff Liaison: Thyme Curtis

Public Comment on an Agenda Item: If you wish to address the Board on an item for today's agenda, please complete and submit a speaker form before the Board hears the agenda item. You will be called at the time the item is heard.

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- Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call (Chair Wolford)
- Item 2: Non-Agenda Public Comment
- Item 3: Action: Approval of Minutes February 8, 2023 Motion by Vice chair Sieglen-Perry, second by Member Jackson, to approve minutes; passed unanimously with Members Landon and Cooluris absent.
- Item 4: Presentation on the Access for All (Wheelchair Accessible On-Demand Transit) Program from Arun Prem, Executive Director, <u>Facilitating Access to</u> <u>Coordinated Transportation (FACT)</u>

Related documents: <u>https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/regulatory-</u> <u>services/licensing/transportation-licensing-and-analysis-branch/transportation-</u> <u>network-companies/tnc-accessibility-for-persons-with-disabilities-program</u>

Postponed per Mr. Prem's request. Staff Liaison Curtis provided background of the Access for All legislation and implementation.

Item 5: Action: Approval of Letter of Support for the Accessible Pedestrian Connections Plan in Disadvantaged Communities Grant Application for Caltrans Sustainable Communities Grant (Thyme Curtis)

Motion by Vice chair Sieglen-Perry, second by Member Roosen, to approve letter; passed unanimously with Members Landon and Cooluris absent.

- Item 6: Updates to Standard Drawings by Alejandra Warner, Access Specialist, City of San Diego
 - a. SDM-117: Accessible Parking, On Street Parking, Electrical Vehicle Charging Station Spaces, and Passenger Drop-Off/Loading Zone
 - b. SDG-132 and SDG 135: Curb Ramps

Members asked what the requirements are for floating accessible parking, Ms. Warner and Ms. Curtis discussed accessible floating parking. Chair Wolford asked if the ratios for accessible parking are based off the previous parking spaces prior to the bike lane installation, Ms. Warner stated no, that the ratios are based off new number of parking spaces. Ms. Warner further stated that there weren't previously any accessible spaces in many areas where bike lanes are installed, and new parking striping plans include accessible parking which is an increase. Member Jackson stated that she is blind and the bike lane has made it more Accessibility Advisory Board Minutes March 8, 2023 Page **3** of **4**

> difficult for her to access her credit union on 5th Avenue as now she cannot be dropped off at the curb but has to navigate across the bike lane and up the curb. Chair Wolford asked if bike lanes can be moved off main thoroughfares to allow for better pedestrian circulation, especially with electric bicycles becoming more common and the fast speed of these e-bikes. Ms. Curtis stated that this item is not on the agenda for discussion; Chair Wolford requested it be added to the next agenda.

- Item 7: Ad Hoc Committee Updates
 - a. Budget Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Wolford, Sieglen-Perry, Markoski, Koczur)
 - a. Chair Wolford wrote Mayor Gloria a thank you note for the meeting the ad hoc committee had with the Mayor.
 - b. Increasing Accessible Housing Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Landon, Roosen)
 - a. Staff liaison Curtis reported that she is working with the Planning Department on possible incentives for accessible ADUs.
 - c. Universal Design Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Landon, Jackson, Sieglen-Perry)
 - a. No update; Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry requested to be added on committee.
 - d. MTS Access Policy Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Jackson, Roosen)
 - a. Ms. Jackson reported that she attended a transportation meeting on Saturday March 4, and she brought material from that meeting. She is also planning on attending MTS's accessibility committee next week.
 - e. Disability Advocates Outreach & Recruit Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Wolford, Jackson, Koczur)
 - a. Chair Wolford wrote a notice in her Nextdoor asking if people would be interested in calling their Councilmember or Mayor about accessibility-related issues; she received no responses. She is looking to create a lobbyist or advocate network. Ms. Wolford will create a flyer. Member Markoski requested to drop from the ad hoc committee and Member Koczur will join the committee.
 - f. Day with a Disability Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Landon, Roosen, Sieglen-Perry)
 - a. Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry asked to join the ad hoc committee. She will work with committee members and pick a few dates that work with their calendars, and send to Liaison Curtis to set up kick-off meeting.
 - g. Data Collection Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Markoski, Landon)

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a. No update.

- h. Volunteer Opportunities Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Wolford, Roosen) a. Not under purview of AAB, removing from Work Plan.
- i. Personnel and Human Resources Presentation on People with Disabilities Recruitment and Working in the CoSD.
- Item 8: Chair Report (Mary Wolford)
- Item 9: Liaison Report (Thyme Curtis)
- Item 10: Old Business
- Item 11: Board Comments or Announcements
- Item 12: Adjournment

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: April 12, 2023, at 10:30 AM

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