

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

WEDNESDAY, September 11, 2024 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Location: <u>Civic Center Plaza</u> <u>1200 Third Ave</u> <u>4th Floor Conference Room</u> <u>San Diego, CA 92101</u>

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Agenda

- Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call Meeting called to order at 10:32 with Chair Wolford, Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry, and Members Cooluris, Roosen, Landon, Jackson, and Zuno present. Member Koczur absent.
- Item 2: Non-Agenda Public Comment None

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- Item 3: Approval of the draft minutes of June 12, 2024 Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry made a motion to approve the minutes with Member Jackson seconding. Passed unanimously with Member Koczur absent.
- Item 4: Information Item: Public Right-of-Way Transition Plan Phase 1 Update (Phuong Nguyen, Senior Transportation Engineer, <u>CR Associates</u>) Mr. Nguyen presented the project, no action taken. Members asked what the total project budget was, Liaison Curtis answered it is a Caltrans grant of \$1,239,000 state grant with an in-kind match of \$261,000. Members also asked if trip and fall sidewalk hazards are included as a asset
- Item 5: Action Item: Election of Chair for the Accessibility Advisory Board Member Jackson motioned for Victor Roosen to be chair of the board, Member Cooluris seconded the motion. Passed unanimously with Member Koczur absent.
- Item 6: Action Item: Election of the Vice Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Board Chair Wolford motioned for Patricia Sieglen-Perry to be Vice Chair of the board, Member Zuno seconded the motion. Passed unanimously with Member Koczur absent.
- Item 7: Information Item: Discussion of Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Chair Wolford requested volunteers for the FY26 Budget Committee, new Chair Roosen volunteered, Vice Chair Sieglen-Perry suggested Member Koczur stay on the committee and volunteered to leave the ad hoc committee to keep the number of members at four or fewer. Member Zuno requested to remain on the committee. Final members are Roosen, Koczur, Wolford, and Zuno.
- Item 8: Ad Hoc Committee Updates & Reports
 - a. Budget Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Wolford, Sieglen-Perry, Koczur, Zuno)
 - See above
 - b. Disability Advocates Outreach & Recruit Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Wolford, Jackson, Koczur, and Roosen)
 - c. Day with a Disability Ad Hoc Committee (Members: Landon, Roosen, Sieglen-Perry)
 Member Cooluris volunteered to be on the committee, Chair Wolford appointed her.

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Item 9: Chair Report September is National Service Dog Month. Organizations who raise service dogs need puppy raisers. Canine Companions, Dogs for Better Lives, are two organizations that need puppy raisers.

- Item 10: City Liaison Report
 - a) Comment Period Open until September 23, 2024, for the Department of Transportation (DOT) Adoption of Accessibility Standards for Pedestrian Facilities in the Public-Right-of-Way (PROWAG). DOT is seeking comments regarding floating bus stops (transit user must cross bicycle lane to travel to/from bus stop), among others. More information and ability to comment is found here:

https://www.regulations.gov/document/DOT-OST-2024-0090-0001

- b) Proposed tax increase on November ballot for City of San Diego voters; outcome is important to future City budgets.
- c) Bike Master Plan update is occurring, you can fill out a survey at <u>www.sandiego.gov/bmpu</u> Current plan is over 10 years old.
- Item 11: Old Business None
- Item 12: Board Comments or Announcements

Member Landon asked about the emails he is receiving from Ali Faraj about crosswalks being blocked by pedicabs in the downtown area. Liaison Curtis let the board know that the ADA Program worked with SDPD to have the pedicabs ticketed; with the Gaslamp Quarter Association on some of the business issues such as A-Frame signs being left in the PROW and outdoor dining chairs in the PROW; we open a case for every issue that has an address – most are overgrown trees or the aforementioned A-Frame and chairs issues; Liaison Curtis sent an email to all pedicab permittees on Sept. 10, 2024, alerting them of the regulations; and are working with Councilmember Whitburn's staff on potential changes to the Municipal Code to address pedicab issues.

Item 13: Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM

Next Meeting: October 9, 2024

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