

# City of Ann Arbor

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Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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## Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

3:15 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second floor, City Council  
Chambers

**Disability Issues, Commission on**

**I ROLL CALL**

*Z. Damon called the meeting to order at 3:15 pm in Council Chambers of Larcom City Hall.*

**Present** 10 - Larry Keeler, Alison Stroud, VACANT POSITION 1, Nikolas Koscielniak, Zachary Damon, Kirk Westphal, Rebecca Benedict, Timothy Hull, Kathleen Mozak-Betts, and Matthew Solomon

**Absent** 2 - Patti Smith, and Sally Petersen

**II APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*A representative from the Center for Independent Living was present at the meeting, which will be added to the agenda.*

*L. Keeler moved to approve the meeting agenda, seconded by A. Stroud. All approved on a voice vote.*

**III APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 20 MEETING MINUTES**

*It was pointed out by the commission that "VACANT POSITION 1" is listed as being present at the meeting, and that Albert Blixt was listed as "absent". H. Koch will make these corrections. The commission discussed excused and unexcused absences, and will be bringing this discussion to a Bylaws Committee Meeting.*

*All approved the minutes as amended on a voice vote.*

**IV PRESENTATIONS**

*A. KATIE MONKIEWICZ, WASHTENAW LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY DISABLED*

*B. ANN ARBOR CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING*

**V PUBLIC COMMENT**

**VI OLD BUSINESS**

**a City Personnel Report - Heather Koch**

*Nothing to report.*

**b Chair Report - Zach Damon on Behalf of Sally Hart Petersen**

*Nothing to report.*

**c Community Engagement Committee - Rebecca Benedict**

*Z. Damon will ask R. Benedict about the 2018 Community Engagement Committee plan and schedule.*

**d Ann Arbor Inclusive - Zach Damon**

*Z. Damon gave an update of the Ann Arbor Inclusive show and thanked everyone who has worked on it.*

**e Partners in Access Committee - Alison Stroud**

*A. Stroud spoke about the last PIA meeting which took place on January 10. Jada and Amber from the Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority were at the PIA meeting to discuss current issues and developments regarding accessibility with the parking meters in the City. A. Stroud mentioned that the DDA will be evaluating accessibility in the City parking structures.*

*A. Stroud also discussed the current status of the Snow Buddies micro-grant.*

**f Recruiting Activity - Larry Keeler**

*If anyone is interested in becoming a commissioner, please contact the Mayor's office.*

**g Transportation Commission Update - Tim Hull**

*T. Hull gave an update on the Transportation Commission. He also discussed the winter snow shoveling issues that have been brought to the Transportation Commission.*

**h U of M Council for Disability Concerns Meeting Minutes - Kathleen Mozak-Betts**

*K. Mozak-Betts gave an update on the January U of M Council for Disability Concerns meeting.*

**VII ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*K. Westphal gave an overview of the "a2fixit" app, which is a centralized*

*system that tracks updates and fixes around the City. The app can be downloaded in various app stores.*

*He also discussed the City of Ann Arbor Citizen's Academy that is being launched this year. Citizens are introduced to various aspects of how the City works through this academy. He encouraged everyone to look into it and sign up if interested.*

#### **VIII NEW BUSINESS**

*The discussion continued from the last commission meeting regarding moving the meeting time from 3:15 pm to 4:00 pm. Z. Damon suggested moving this vote to the next meeting when S. Petersen is here. The commission will table this discussion to the next meeting.*

#### **IX ADJOURNMENT**

*Z. Damon adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm.*

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