

City of Ann Arbor Meeting Minutes - Final Commission on Disability Issues

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Wednesday, December 17, 2025

4:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Z. Damon called the electronic meeting of the Commission on Disability Issues to order at 4:01 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Larry Keeler, Zachary Damon, Kathleen Mozak, Matthew Solomon, Rachel Hawkins, Ayesha Ghazi Edwin, and Robert Packard

Absent 4 - Alex Gossage, Lorraine Buis, Sam Ankenbauer, and Annika Konrad

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes per speaker)

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mozak, seconded by Packard, that the Agenda be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

25-2165 Commission on Disability Issues Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2025

A motion was made by Keeler, seconded by Mozak, that the Minutes be Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 1/5/2026.On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried

CITY PERSONNEL REPORT - KENNEDI CUMMINGS

Kennedi Cummings reported that there is no city personnel report or updates at this time.

CITY COUNCIL UPDATE - AYESHA GHAZI EDWIN

Council Member Ayesha Ghazi-Edwin reported that the City is in the final phase of the comprehensive land use plan. City council will be meeting with the City Planning Department and would like the commissions input. More information and details to come.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

WASHTENAW LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PRINT DISABLED - KATIE MONKIEWICZ

For information on the events that are taking place at the Library, please visit their website at http://wlbpd.aadl.org/

DISABILITY NETWORK (Washtenaw, Monroe, Livingston) - ANDREA HENRY

For information on the events that are taking place with the Disability Network, please visit their website at http://DNWML.org

PARTNERS IN ACCESS - LARRY KEELER

Vice-Chair Keeler reported that the sub-committee did meet last week and discussed updates on current topics brought to the commission. The committee also discussed updates regarding a commission social media page and new commission leadership. The sub-committee will meet again in January. Those who are interested in participating, or leading a committee can contact Vice Chair.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT - RACHEL HAWKINS

Commissioner Hawkins did not provide an update to the commission at this time.

RECRUITING ACTIVITY - LARRY KEELER

Vice-Chair Keeler reported that recruitment for the Commission has been steady recently. The Commission has 2 vacancies. The commission has

not received any new applications.

Anyone who is interested in applying can do so by contacting the Mayor's office at 734-794-6161, or applying online at https://a2gov.granicus.com/boards/w/fe6c5e22e6f4a331/vacancies. This site can also be accessed online via the following path:

- 1. Go to a2gov.org
- 2. Click "Democracy" in the orange banner at the top of the page
- 3. Click "Board and Commissions" under the Meetings column
- 4. Scroll down to and click "Commission on Disability Issues" from the alphabetically sorted list.
- 5. Click the "Apply" button at the upper-right corner of the page.
- 6. Complete the application, including all required fields, and then click"Submit" at the button of the page.

Interested persons may also reach out if they may be interested in serving on subcommittees such as Partners in Access and Community Engagement.

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION UPDATE - LARRY KEELER

Vice-Chair Keeler reported that the Transportation Commission did meet last month. The commission discussed creating a new transit center. More information and details to come. The commission also discussed different completed construction projects and current construction projects around the City. The commission also reviewed the cities crash data report. The Transportation Commission is meeting tonight at 7:00pm and the meeting will be live on CTN.

U OF M COUNCIL FOR DISABILITY CONCERNS MEETING UPDATE - MATTHEW SOLOMON

Commissioner Solomon reported that the University of Michigan Council for Disability Concerns did meet this month. Commissioner Solomon shared the council discussed direct communication preferences to community members and to members of the council. More information and details to come.

CHAIR REPORT - ZACH DAMON

Chair Damon reported that starting in the New Year, Larry Keeler will be the Chair and Zach Damon will be the Vice Chair of the commission. Chair Damon also shared that the Voices in Action self-advocacy day will be held on April 15, 2026 at the Michigan State Capital. The event is from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. and all are welcomed to attend. More information and details to come.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS COMMUNICATIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Keeler moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Packard that the meeting adjourned at 5:04 P.M.

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