

# City of Ann Arbor

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## Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

4:00 PM

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

**Commission on Disability Issues**

**I ROLL CALL**

*Z. Damon called the meeting to order at 4:01pm. New commissioner Christiana Allen-Pipkin was also introduced to the commission.*

**Present** 10 - Larry Keeler, Zachary Damon, Timothy Hull, Kathleen Mozak-Betts, Matthew Solomon, Rachel Hawkins, Kristen Harrison, Debra Poster, Elizabeth Nelson, and Christiana Allen-Pipkin

**Absent** 3 - Sally Petersen, Alison Stroud, and Nikolas Koscielniak

**II APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 20 MEETING MINUTES**

*L. Keeler moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting, seconded by R. Hawkins.*

*All approved on a voice vote.*

*Z. Damon proposed moving the approval of meeting minutes to the third item of the agenda and moving the approval of the agenda to the second item as a permanent change. K. Mozak-Betts moved to approve this change, seconded by E. Nelson. All approved on a voice vote.*

**III APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*L. Keeler moved to approve the agenda, seconded by T. Hull.*

*All approved on a voice vote.*

**IV PRESENTATIONS****a KATIE MONKIEWICZ; WASTENAW LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY DISABLED**

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

**b SOPHIE SKOCHELAK; NFT, IL SPECIALIST, ANN ARBOR CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING**

*Shannon Clark filled in on behalf of Sophie Skochelak. For information on the events that are taking place with the CIL, please visit their website at <http://www.annarborcil.org/>*

**V PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO EIGHT MINUTES**

*There were no public comments brought before the commission.*

**vi OLD BUSINESS**

**a CITY PERSONNEL REPORT - COREY FARRIS**

*No report*

**b CHAIR REPORT - ZACH DAMON**

*Z. Damon discussed a public meeting for Wednesday April 3rd regarding a proposed sidewalk project by the City, as well as the U of M Army/Navy Basketball game that will be occurring on March 30th. The chair also mentioned that students looking to join the commission for a meeting and give feedback for their classes should obtain agendas from the City website, which are published prior to the meetings.*

**c COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE - COMMITTEE CHAIR**

*R. Hawkins provided a report for the Community Engagement Committee. The committee is in the process of recruiting new members and considering new opportunities and events that could make a difference. The public as well as commissioners are invited to join.*

**d ANN ARBOR INCLUSIVE UPDATE - TOM HOATLIN/LINDA EVANS**

*Z. Damon did not receive an update this month, but will report next month when more information is available.*

**e PARTNERS IN ACCESS COMMITTEE - ALISON STROUD**

*A. Stroud was not present, no update to report. Z. Damon asked commissioners participating in the Partners in Access Committee to let him know if discussions need to be initiated regarding how to move forward with the committee.*

**f RECRUITING ACTIVITY - LARRY KEELER**

*L. Keeler gave an update on recruiting activities for the commission. Anyone who is interested in applying can do so by contacting the Mayor's office at 734-794-6161, or apply online at <https://a2gov.granicus.com/boards/w/fe6c5e22e6f4a331/vacancies>*

*Z. Damon discussed that anyone in the public that might be interested in*

*helping with one of the committees are welcome to contact himself or L. Keeler*

**g TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION UPDATE - TIM HULL**

*T. Hull gave an update on the Transportation Commission. The meeting that occurred last month pertained to road diets that the City may be planning on moving forward with and "quiet" zone for trains in the Ann Arbor corridor.*

*L. Keeler informed the commission on behalf of the micro-mobility committee that a provisional copy of an ordinance regarding the scooters was submitted and should be discussed at a future Transportation Commission meeting.*

**h U OF M COUNCIL FOR DISABILITY CONCERNS MEETING UPDATE - KATHLEEN MOZAK-BETTS**

*K. Mozak-Betts gave a report on the Council of Disability Concerns. The March meeting was treated as a working session and discussed what members were working on and where they were at with those tasks.*

*Two events were announced, Speakable that will be occurring on 3/21 and the second is a viewing of the film "The Rebound" on 4/8. Also discussed was a presentation of a grant study and an event they will be holding with the public.*

**VII ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*E. Nelson announced a friendship walk with Best Buddies that will occur on 4/13. Also announced were potential changes at City Council made to the City crosswalk law with the pedestrian having to indicate when they intend to cross. She asks the commission to help provide input on the verbage to this law as more language will be needed. L. Keeler mentioned that this would be a task for the Partners in Access Committee that can partner with E. Nelson on this issue. Z. Damon will be reaching out to all commission members on the committee via email to coordinate the efforts.*

**VIII NEW BUSINESS**

*New business regarding the crosswalk ordinance was mentioned in announcements.*

**IX      ADJOURNMENT**

*Z. Damon adjourned the meeting at 4:59pm.*