



City of Ann Arbor

Meeting Minutes - Final

Commission on Disability Issues

301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
<http://a2gov.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Wednesday, November 19, 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 9 - Larry Keeler, Zachary Damon, Kathleen Mozak, Matthew Solomon, Alex Gossage, Robert Packard, Lorraine Buis, Sam Ankenbauer, and Annika Konrad

Absent 2 - Rachel Hawkins, and Ayesha Ghazi Edwin

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes per speaker)

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[25-1813](#) Commission on Disability Issues Minutes of October 15, 2025

A motion was made by Damon, seconded by Packard, that the Minutes be Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 12/3/2025. 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 was not present to provide an update to the commission.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN ADAPTIVE SPORTS & FITNESS - ANYA COBLER**

For more information about the University of Michigan Adaptive Sports and Fitness please visit their website at <https://ssd.umich.edu/adaptive-sports>

ANN ARBOR DDA PRESENTATION - NANI WOLF

For more information about the Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority please visit their website at <https://www.a2dda.org/>

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 updates of the downtown Ann Arbor library. The sub-committee will meet again in December. 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 received 1 new application.

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 bottom 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 the issues of snow removal in the City. The commission shared information about new snow removal technology that the City is planning to use. More information and details to come. The commission also discussed different completed construction projects around the City. 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 meeting included a presentation and group discussions about community exchanges and direct communication. More information and details to come.

CHAIR REPORT - ZACH DAMON

Chair Damon reported that the December commission meeting will be held in-person and virtual. The commission will also take a group photo at the December meeting for the commissions social media pages. More information an details to come. Chair Damon also shared that the commissions bylaw review discussion will be held at the December meeting. More information and details to come.

OLD BUSINESS

None

SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE UPDATE

Commissioner Ankenbauer provided the commission with an update regarding creating social media pages for the commission to engage more with community members. Commissioners provided their thoughts and feedback on the committee report.

NEW BUSINESS

2025 COMMISSION ELECTION - CHAIR & VICE CHAIR POSITIONS

Z. Damon was nominated for the Vice Chair position. L. Keeler was nominated for Chair position. The Commission discussed the nominations for each position.

A motion was made by Damon, seconded by Mozak that Larry Keeler be Approved as the commission Chair. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Packard, seconded by Solomon that Zach Damon be Approved as the commission Vice Chair. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

2026 CALENDAR - COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ISSUES & PARTNERS IN ACCESS SUBCOMMITTEE

The November 11, 2026 Partners In Access Subcommittee Meeting will

be held on November 10, 2026.

A motion was made by Damon, seconded by Ankenbauer, that the 2026 Calendar for the Partners in Access Subcommittee be Approved with changes. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried

25-1890 2026 Calendar DRAFT - Commission on Disability Issues
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A motion was made by Damon, seconded by Mozak, that the 2026 Calendar - Commission on Disability Issues be Approved as presented. On a voice vote, On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried

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COMMUNICATIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Keeler moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Damon that the meeting adjourned at 5:58 P.M.

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