



City of Ann Arbor

Meeting Minutes - Final

Commission on Disability Issues

301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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Wednesday, March 16, 2022

4:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER

L. Keeler called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

ROLL CALL

All participants from Ann Arbor, MI.

Present 7 - Larry Keeler, Timothy Hull, Kathleen Mozak, Matthew Solomon, Rachel Hawkins, Elizabeth Nelson, and Alex Gossage

Absent 4 - Zachary Damon, Debra Poster, Christiana Allen-Pipkin, and Kinsey Button

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved as presented

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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A motion was made by M. Solomon, seconded by A. Gossage, that the Minutes be Approved by the commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 04/04/2022. On a voice vote, the Vice Chair declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were brought before the commission.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Peter Grande, Co-Founder of MUVE, Thomas Sikkema, MUVE and Julia Roberts, Executive Director of WAVE

Speaker P. Grande presented his company MUVE to CODI. They're planning to launch in Washtenaw County in collaboration with WAVE Buses. Q and A followed the presentation.

[22-0541](#) MUVE AACDI Presentation

WASHTENAW LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY DISABLED - KATIE MONKIEWICZ

K. Monkiewicz gave an update: All events are in-person; the full moon and festival community luminary - puppet workshop, Sunday, March 20th from 10 until 4 p.m., on April 1st a downtown parade. Monthly emerging writer's workshop will meet on Monday, March 21st from 6:30 until 7:45 pm, at the Westgate Branch, all writers are welcome. Hello My Name Is...A name change clinic Wednesday, March 30th from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m., joining Jim's Toy Community Center Outreach at the University of Michigan. For more on events that are taking place at the Library, please visit their website at <http://wlbpd.aadl.org/>

ANN ARBOR CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING - ALEX GOSSAGE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A. Gossage introduce Joyce Blair who will give the updates on the Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living. In April the CIL will have a virtual movie club, the theme - "It Will Be Nothing About Us, Without Us." On March 16, 2022 Dance Ability on Zoom. University of Michigan Adapter Sports & Fitness with CIL offering wheelchair basketball from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m., track & field from 7:30 until 9:30 p.m. and wheelchair tennis from 8:00 until 10:00 p.m. March 17, 2022 Virtual Art Open Studio from 1:00 until 2:30 p.m., Movie Club 4-5 p.m., March 18, 2022 Dance Ability on zoom. March 21, 2022 Multiple Sclerosis Support Group 7:00-8:30 p.m., via zoom. March 22, 2022 Trivia Tuesday's from 1:30 until 2:30 p.m., Virtual Art-Painting from 3:00 until 4:30 p.m. Tasty Tuesday from 4:00 until 5:30pm. Second Tuesday's Spinal Cord Injury support group. For information on the events that are taking place with the CIL please visit their website at <http://www.annarborcil.org/>

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE/ANN ARBOR INCLUSIVE UPDATE -
RACHEL HAWKINS**

R. Hawkins gave an update on Ann Arbor Inclusive. March's show will discuss multi-disciplinary collaborative course at the University of Detroit - Mercy on pairing nursing students and engineering students with people who have physical disabilities. A Gossage suggest Peter Grande, Co-Owner of MUVE as a future guest.

PARTNERS IN ACCESS COMMITTEE - ALEX GOSSAGE

A. Gossage gave an update on the snow removal meeting attended by; CM's E. Nelson and T. Radina, Z. Damon, L. Keeler and A. Ghazi-Edwins. Difficulty shoveling sidewalks and providing assistance to ensure the community sidewalks are cleared were discussed. Also suggested, a coordinator or multiple individuals, equipped at interacting and working to serve people with disabilities regardless of the issue. Snow removal and City Council is ongoing CM's Radina and Nelson will discuss with their colleagues a disability liaison for the community. L. Keeler and R. Hawkins discuss ARide and their drivers ability to assist individuals.

RECRUITING ACTIVITY - LARRY KEELER

L. Keeler gave a report on recruiting. He has met with CM Nelson and currently the commission has 4 applications to review and investigate.

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 - TIM HULL

T. Hull provided an update on the Transportation Commission. At last months meeting the commission updated their bylaws to include; every commission that appoints a representative to the board will be able to appoint an alternate. A resolution from City Council requesting U of M to build more housing - no action taken. Next meeting will vote on bylaw changes and a presentation from Vision Zero implementation committee will discuss the street resurfacing project progress. AAATA will present their 2045 plan and mileage increase proposal to improve nights and weekend services. Please contact T. Hull or Z. Damon if you're interested in representing CODI on the transportation commission.

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

K.Mozak provided an update on the Council for Disability Concerns. The council met on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, their guest Enjie Hall, Director of Accessibility and Disability Resources at the University of Toledo. She gave a presentation regarding Overview of the Disability Services Infrastructure. They also have a disability studies program. K. Mozak will send the report to commissioners. There was conversation on Los Angeles Community College district-litigation on accommodations, their decision not to continue to the Supreme Court. Recap on Disability Day of Mourning held at the beginning of March. Next meeting Tuesday, April 12th via zoom.

CITY PERSONNEL REPORT - DENISE JEANES

D. Jeanes gave an update on the latest hires and retirements at City Hall.

CHAIR REPORT - ZACH DAMON

The chair report was discussed during the PIA update.

OLD BUSINESS

CM E. Nelson gave an update on APS signals. Currently there are 54 RFB locations; 10 signalized intersections where APS exist. Options: Compatible for installation for every intersection. Include as part of the Capital Improvement Upgrade part of the project. Currently \$50,000 per

year is allocated from the City. She asked about formalizing a plan link to National Cooperative Highway Research Program. L. Keeler suggest there be a general directory to find all APS locations.

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business.

COMMUNICATIONS

No communications.

ADJOURNMENT

L. Keeler adjourned the meeting at 5:17 p.m.

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