



Agenda

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MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018
10:00 A.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
200 LINCOLN AVENUE, SANTA FE, N.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: FOR THE JANUARY 18, 2018 MEETING
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (15 MIN. TOTAL)
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) ST. MICHAEL'S DRIVE / CERRILLOS ROAD PROJECT – STEPHEN LOPEZ, NMDOT
 - b) CERRILLOS ROAD / SECOND STREET INTERSECTION – STEPHEN LOPEZ, NMDOT
 - c) CITY OF SANTA FE'S WEBSITE – DANIEL FERNANDEZ
 - d) EVACUATION PLANS FOR ALL CITY OWNED BUILDINGS – DANIEL FERNANDEZ
 - e) NEW MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT– AURORE BLECK
7. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) MCD SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEMS FROM MEMBERS AND STAFF (3 MINUTES)

8. ADJOURN

NEXT MEETING MARCH 15, 2018

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**SUMMARY OF ACTION
MAYORS COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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**MAYORS COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
200 LINCOLN AVENUE
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018, 10:00 AM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Mayors Committee on Disability was called to order by Aurore Bleck, Chair, at 10:00 am on Thursday, February 15, 2018 in the City Council Chambers, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Aurore Bleck, Chair
Dave McQuarie, Vice Chair
Michael Wirtz
Nancy Pieters
(3 vacancies)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Kathlyne Gish, Excused
Meriam Jawhar

OTHERS PRESENT

Daniel Fernandez, ADA Coordinator
Rick Abeyta, Santa Fe Indian School
Randy Jones, Santa Fe Indian School
Victor Hughes
Travis Monson, Santa Fe Indian Hospital
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. McQuarie, seconded by Ms. Pieters, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
JANUARY 18, 2018**

Mr. Wirtz said the time we adjourned was 11:55 am.

Mr. McQuarie said the Amendment he is referring to on page 10 is the 1st Amendment.

Mr. Fernandez said on page 2 under the introduction of him he was the Assistant Project Manager.

Chair Bleck said on page 8, paragraph 9 it was a Mayoral forum, on page 9, 1st paragraph, she attended and ADA Coordinator Training, on the bottom of page 9 and on pages 10 and 11 it should be Transit Advisory Board.

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. McQuarie, seconded by Mr. Wirtz, to approve the minutes as amended.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. ST. MICHAELS DRIVE/CERRILLOS ROAD PROJECT

Mr. Lopez, NMDOT, the speaker on this item, did not show up to the meeting. This item was postponed until the March meeting.

B. CERRILLOS ROAD/SECOND STREET INTERSECTION

Mr. Lopez, NMDOT, the speaker on this item, did not show up to the meeting. This item was postponed until the March meeting.

Mr. Monson said this project has been worked on by the Hospital for over 3 years. It is very frustrating that nothing has happened. We have received several sets of plans. Now they are talking about just doing curbs. They are not ADA compliant. We have lots of disabled and elderly who cannot navigate those curbs. There have been 15 accidents at that intersection. Hit and run as well. We want that area designated as a safety zone. We are concerned and frustrated. We have been told for 3 years that it would be done. We are looking for an update and any help the Mayor and Council can give. We know there are issues. Some streets are City and some are Federal. We need help from any direction.

Chair Bleck said we have also been involved for awhile and share your concerns.

She is not aware of them taking the bus stop out. We were promised it would be done by November of this year.

Mr. Monson said the most recent plans shows the bus stop move gone and they just show the detail of the curbs. The existing bus stop is there, but is not ADA compliant. It was supposed to be moved and updated. These plans are dated February 1st. We would like to keep this on the agenda for next month.

Mr. McQuarie said he is currently a patient of the Indian Hospital. He is the one who has been pushing the State to do that. 20 years ago an Indian lady was killed at that intersection and we made the first request then. He is happy to know that he has him to help him push it.

Mr. Monson said yes, there is a lot of interest and we do not want to see another fatality.

Mr. Abeyta said we share the same concerns and thoughts. Can you email us the agenda for the next meeting.

Mr. Fernandez said he would.

Mr. Fernandez said he was going to call Transportation to see if they can give an update. He has messaged and called Mr. Lopez's cell phone and has had no response.

Mr. Abeyta said that is a very dangerous intersection. A lot of people try to beat that light. It does not stay on long enough. Especially when they are coming from Second Street and turning on to Cerrillos. It needs to be left green longer.

Mr. Monson said on the other intersection there is no light so a lot of people come in and out at this intersection. It would be great to have that left arrow.

Chair Bleck said she was so sorry that Mr. Lopez did not come to the meeting to do the presentation he had agreed to. She apologized to the public in attendance for the situation.

Mr. Monson said thank you for your time and interest.

Chair Bleck said we will work together from now on. This is an important issue.

C. CITY OF SANTA FE'S WEBSITE

Mr. Fernandez said he has the New Mexico Technology Assistance Program doing an audit of the entire website to make sure it is ADA accessible. They found some minor changes, but said it was in pretty good shape. They will provide him with a

list of things that need to be done. He is working with the City IT guy who said this will help them out immensely.

D. EVACUATION PLANS FOR ALL CITY OWNED BUILDINGS

Mr. Fernandez said he spoke with Safety on this. He is in the process of doing Evacuation Plans for all City owned buildings. He is hoping to get them in place for emergencies.

Mr. McQuarie said apparently you have a list of things they should do. Does it stress attention to persons that are disabled.

Mr. Fernandez said yes, and it has maps of where areas of refuge are, where fire extinguishers are and routes out of the building.

Ms. Pieters asked will this be for all emergencies.

Mr. Fernandez said yes.

Ms. Pieters asked do you know if the State plans are still in effect.

Mr. Fernandez said yes, they are pushing them very hard. The current Fire Marshall is pushing it.

Ms. Pieters said when she worked for the State they also had plans for bio terrorism that included the disabled.

Mr. Fernandez said he is trying to bring that same mentality to the City to bring them up to par.

Ms. Pieters said it would be nice if we could work along with the State so we don't have to reinvent the wheel. It would also be nice to lay it out in writing and let us have that.

Mr. Fernandez said he presented a plan to the City Safety Task Force with roles and responsibilities and processes.

Ms. Pieters said she thinks it is important.

Mr. McQuarie said he suggests that he look at Evacuation Plans for buses and senior vans. He would like to see the bus drivers be informed as to how they evacuate their bus.

Mr. Fernandez said that is a good point. Thanks for bringing that up. In 2

months there is going to be a training for all the transit drivers. They reached out to him. That could be a topic.

Chair Bleck said it seems like it would be good to have the drills here as well. They save lives.

Mr. Fernandez said he is open to any suggestions.

Chair Bleck said she is glad he is working on it.

E. NEW MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT

Chair Bleck said we need 3 new members.

Mr. Wirtz said he has a potential person who is interested. He will invite Colleen Davidson here to the next meeting.

Chair Bleck said she is recruiting Victor Hughes who is a Veteran and is in our audience today.

Ms. Pieters said she also has someone, but she has not talked to her. She will talk to her about the Board.

Mr. Wirtz asked so they need a letter to the Mayor and a copy to clerk.

Mr. McQuarie asked have we heard anymore about the status of our request for our Resolution.

Chair Bleck said it is on hold. It was tabled by City Council.

Mr. Wirtz said he will work on that after the election. We will have new Councilors and a new Mayor.

Mr. Fernandez said he knows Kathylyne mentioned the possibility of a Facebook page. He reached out to IT and it seems like we may be able to get this done, but he needs other authorizations and approvals. Since it will be a City Facebook page he will be the only one who can post anything. It looks like it is moving forward.

Chair Bleck said that is good. She is thrilled to have so many candidates for the Board vacancies.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. MCD SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

PLAN REVIEW

Mr. McQuarie reported that they did Sheraton and the shelters. Our recommendations are in the package. We reminded them that parking for the disabled has to be in every lot. They came back with they would do 2 lots. He told them all or none. He requested a copy of the Detour Plan that is required by law. They are going to furnish copies. That is the only thing he wants at this time. They are still delinquent on working on access for the disabled. We reviewed the 2014-15 curb cut project. He told them that overall it looks good, but there are 2 places where they did not show curb cuts on the far side. According to regulation they have to do the whole intersection. As a rule our City Engineering does not do full access for the disabled. He found out that according to regulation the intersection must be accessible to the maximum extent feasible. If they can prove in writing that it is then they don't have to do the access. On Monday we will be doing a quick plan review on a roundabout. It is on Agua Fria and Cottonwood. It is up to the City Finance Committee and the Public Works Committee to make staff send to us the plans to review before they get to the money request. He is tired of them using public money and not including the disabled. That is the practice right now.

TRANSPORTATION

Chair Bleck said the Transit Advisory Board does not meet in January. Our next meeting is February 27th at the Transit offices. She did have them put on the agenda to review our staffing levels for Santa Fe Ride in addition to our vacancies. They have had so many people sign up for the services since the taxi company left the City. They need more staff. We need more drivers in the budget.

Mr. McQuarie said at the meeting please emphasize that they are currently not addressing access to the disabled at an optimal level. Their on time reports show they are at 89% to 90% of the time. That is not acceptable. They need to give us the raw numbers.

Chair Bleck said that is their goal. They can't use short staffing as an excuse forever.

Chair Bleck said that on-time percentage means to her that they have traffic problems. She doesn't know if that is an employee issue or lack of employees or over scheduling.

Mr. McQuarie said ADA regulations say they must make allowances for capacity. Not being able to hire enough drivers is not an excuse.

Ms. Pieters asked is their budget flat year after year or are they getting increases every year.

Chair Bleck said they got a little increase last year. Pay is an issue as well. There is not ladder up for promotion. They said they are doing a study of comparable cities and their pay.

Ms. Pieters asked have the number of people with disabilities increased in Santa Fe. She is assuming yes. The population is always growing. We have an ongoing population.

Chair Bleck said they have been telling us all year that they are getting more and more people signing up.

Ms. Pieters asked do they have any interest in changing the dead-end status of the drivers.

Chair Bleck said we have talked about it several times. There is a possibility of steps. Driver retention is the biggest issue they have. The Board has discussed this several times. All the drivers have to be drug tested.

Ms. Pieters said as the population ages more drivers will be necessary. It takes 2 weeks ahead to schedule a ride. We need to increase taxes.

Chair Bleck said we could use the gasoline tax. There is a tie in.

8. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS AND STAFF

Mr. Wirtz said he will follow up on the Resolution. He gave an overview of the process already done on this. He will get with the new Councilor winner after the election. He will get with Dave to see where the hold up is.

Chair Bleck said keep us updated.

Mr. Fernandez said he was contacted by Vamanos Santa Fe Walks. They are promoting several types of walks for the community. One is an ADA Senior Walk which is going to happen once a month for 6 months.

Chair Bleck said she would like to generate interest in Santa Fe Ride.

Mr. Wirtz said we need to get DOT here next month.


Mr. Fernandez said they accepted for today. He will work on that.

9. NEXT MEETING MARCH 15, 2018

10. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Committee the meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.


Aurore Bleck, Chair


Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer