



**MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY  
THURSDAY, MARCH 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 FEBRUARY 15, 2018 MEETING
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (15 MIN. TOTAL)
6. NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
  - a) ST. MICHAEL'S DRIVE / CERRILLOS ROAD PROJECT – STEPHEN LOPEZ, NMDOT
  - b) CERRILLOS ROAD / SECOND STREET INTERSECTION – STEPHEN LOPEZ, NMDOT
  - c) GUADALUPE STREET CONSTRUCTION – DAVID QUINTANA, PUBLIC WORKS
  - d) VAMONOS: SANTA FE WALKS - SARAH NOSS, SANTA FE CONSERVATION TRUST
  - e) MCD MEETING LOCATION– AURORE BLECK
7. OLD BUSINESS
  - a) MCD SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEMS FROM MEMBERS AND STAFF (3 MINUTES)

8. ADJOURN

NEXT MEETING APRIL 19, 2018

**PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN NEED OF ACCOMMODATIONS, CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 955-6520, FIVE (5) WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO MEETING DATE.**

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**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, March 15, 2018, at the City Council Chambers, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Aurore Bleck, Chair  
Dave McQuarie, Vice Chair  
Kathlyne Gish  
Michael Wirtz  
(3 vacancies)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Nancy Pieters, Excused  
Meriam Jawhar, Excused

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Daniel Fernandez, ADA Coordinator  
Stephen Lopez, NMDOT  
Victor Hughes  
Travis Monson, IHS  
Hope Reed  
Keith Wilson, Santa Fe Trails  
Sarah Noss, Santa Fe Conservation Trust  
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Fernandez reported that Mr. Quintana had a family emergency and was unable to attend today. He will be giving the presentation from notes given to him by Mr. Quintana.

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

**VOTE** The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 15, 2018**

Chair Bleck said on page 7, 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph it should say “all the drivers”. On number 8, 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph it should say, “Santa Fe Ride staffing.”

**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**

Mr. Hughes said he prepared a letter for the Mayor asking to be member of this Committee. He will give it to the Chair for submission.

Mr. Hughes said he attended the NAACP monthly meeting and he knows they are interested in representing all marginalized communities. There is an intersection with his interest in PTSD. A representative of the Mayors Committee may want to attend in the future. There are good centergies.

**6. NEW BUSINESS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

**A. ST. MICHAELS DRIVE/CERRILLOS ROAD PROJECT**

Mr. Lopez said the District understands that this intersection has deficiencies, but at this time there is no funding available to do the study to determine the improvements and cost. The District is hopeful that we can reestablish the study at some time.

Mr. McQuarie said there are a few intersections on Cerrillos Road that could be updated. The intersection of US 285/St. Frances and NM 466/St. Michaels has never had pedestrian access. Are they going to update it so that there is pedestrian access there. It looks like St. Frances is a matter of putting in a pedestrian bridge to travel from the south side to the north side.

Mr. Lopez said we have been doing a study on the St. Michaels corridor that was recently completed. The scope of that project does include ADA sidewalks and the option of a bridge that is fully accessible. It is planned for 2022 or 2023.

Mr. McQuarie said so it will be 4 years before they do it.

Mr. Lopez said yes, it is a very expensive project. Part of the corridor improvements include a Rail Trail crossing which will likely be an underpass as well.

Mr. McQuarie said he was working at the highway department as a designer when that came up in the 90s.

Mr. Lopez said he has been participating in the meetings for the study. The consultant has several options. Those are on the DOT website. We are in the process of assembling the information to present to the public so that we can get consensus from the public, the City and DOT.

## **B. CERRILLOS ROAD/SECOND STREET INTERSECTION**

Mr. Lopez said District 5 planned to update this intersection. The pavement is done. There is an issue with traffic signals and utility poles that precludes us from making it accessible to the current standards. At this time the District has a plan to do that and we are coordinating with the adjacent neighbors. The Indian School has received funding to help with that. This plan will include a bus pull out on the NW intersection and the right-of-way for the Indian School, will update all the ADA ramps at the intersection and establish a bus shelter to the current standards. The right-of-way is in a trust with BIA. It takes 1 to 2 years to get the right-of-way. We have the right-of-way from the private owners in the area. This project is projected for 2019 - 2020.

Mr. McQuarie said so you are going to relocate the bus stop to the NW quadrant. Are you going to add curb ramps, 2 per corner, and update the curb ramps on the east side also.

Mr. Lopez said yes, to current standards. Also the new traffic signals will be ADA compliant and accessible. We will coordinate with the City of Santa Fe for the maintenance of the signals there. We plan to use actuated signals in the SW quadrant. There will be major improvements. The preliminary design is in place. Right-of-way maps were presented to the Indian School last July. We met with all the Tribal leaders and they supported it. They also wanted to meet with DOT management on other issues they have on Cerrillos. That has not been scheduled yet.

Ms. Reed asked can we see the plan for the intersection.

Mr. Lopez said yes, but it is not formally approved yet. It is confidential right now.

Ms. Reed asked doesn't the City maintain the Cerrillos Road.

Mr. Lopez said no, NMDOT does. There were plans at one time to do a road transfer to the City, but that did not happen.

Mr. McQuarie said it is not up to standards so they will not accept it.

Mr. Monson asked is all the funding in place. Is the only hold up the BIA right of way.

Mr. Lopez said yes on both counts. We need right-of-way certification to begin the construction.

Mr. Lopez said we are also going to add a left turn from the IHS facility to Cerrillos.

Chair Bleck said thank you so much Mr. Lopez. Come back and keep us posted as you move along.

Mr. McQuarie said this is a State problem, but have you sent a letter or notification to the BIA that the sidewalks on the Indian property need to be updated so that they have curb ramps. Now they do not have them.

Mr. Lopez said the District understands the limits to access on Cerrillos. The Indian School understands that needs to be addressed. They want to discuss that with DOT management.

Mr. McQuarie said the BIA should be notified that they need to do that. ADA is not enforceable on that property, but it is inside the hospital.

Mr. Lopez said they are a government agency representing Tribes in New Mexico. Because Cerrillos is DOT we have to provide the access to the Indian School for them to do that.

Mr. Wirtz asked is there a possibility of a turn to the right on to Cerrillos from 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

Mr. Lopez said there are no plans to do that at this time. 2nd Street is a City street. They have not stated that they have any intention to do that.

Mr. McQuarie asked what is the estimated start date for construction.

Mr. Lopez said 2019. We need the right-of-way donation before we begin.

Mr. Monson asked what will the duration of the construction be.

Mr. Lopez said we will do it in the summer. It will take about 6 months.

### **C. GUADALUPE STREET CONSTRUCTION**

Mr. Fernandez said Mr. Quintana gave him a briefing on this project. There is a public meeting scheduled on March 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the convention center. This project is to provide a lane diet to make the 4 lane into a 2 lane to make sidewalks. The project is to make it more pedestrian friendly. The funding is coming from safety funds. Construction is scheduled to take place in the spring/summer of 2020.

Mr. McQuarie said it looks like a definite restriction is placed on pedestrian traffic crossing Guadalupe.

Mr. Fernandez said he does not have any information on that. They do have some options and are having public meetings so that the public can weigh in their opinions.

Ms. Reed said she shares David's concerns. The intersections are not square. Will they put 2 curb ramps per corner.

Mr. Fernandez said they do have several options and different looks at each intersection. As far as detail he cannot answer that.

Ms. Reed said they are working on the corner at San Francisco. That had a parking lot out to Guadalupe. It will be interesting to see what they do with the parking lot.

Mr. Fernandez said he asked that we get as much input as possible on this. He encouraged everyone to attend

Mr. McQuarie asked which room in the convention center is the public meeting in.

Mr. Fernandez said he will find out and get that out to everyone.

### **D. VAMONOS: SANTA FE WALKS**

Ms. Noss introduced herself as the Executive Director of the Santa Fe Conservation Trust. She said we have a legacy as a 25 year old land trust. Dale Ball was our first Executive Director. We have a very big trail legacy. We want to reach out to a wider constituency to get people moving around and enjoying nature. That is the basis of our starting this program. We will have once a month walks from May through October. There will be 42 walks. One of the tracks is going to be an ADA/senior walk. It will start at the Mary Esther Senior Center down the River Trail and back. They will be 1 hour walks. We are hoping to start those in May. Daniel is involved in helping us find the walk leaders involved in ADA issues and a movement specialist. We don't have the



dates in May, but she will get that to you. We will start marketing it in April. She and Daniel are going to check out where we are going to walk and make sure there is access to everyone. Christus St. Vincent, the SW Care Center and La Familia are our partners. They are setting up community health workers and doctors to walk with us. Those will primarily be on the south side of town. Our overarching goal is to get people moving and address obesity and health and to reach out to the southside population who tend to have a lower rate of healthcare due to access issues.

Mr. McQuarie said if you notice anything that is ADA deficient please let us know. We rely on people telling us what the problems are. We can't check everything.

Ms. Noss said that could be an interesting undertaking. Finding out peoples challenges we can relay that back to you. We will do exit questionnaires.

Ms. Noss asked is there a place we should reach out to in order to let people know there is this opportunity for them. We are doing social media promotion and some print.

Mr. Wirtz suggested the Richard Eads radio show.

Ms. Noss said that is a great idea. She will reach out.

Ms. Noss said this is a pilot. Hopefully over time it will grow. We are excited.

Mr. Wirtz said he was hired a long time ago by Dale Ball to design the Dale Ball Trail. Every penny for that was donated.

Ms. Noss said our citizens don't realize that there are these really nice ADA trails and walks. Our website has trail maps on it. We will be in touch.

Mr. Wirtz said you might go to the various nursing homes and advertise.

Ms. Noss said yes, we are going to do that. She hopes you guys will come walk with us. We are always looking for volunteers to help us. Daniel has been super and awesome.

Chair Bleck said thank you so much for coming.

Ms. Noss said she will bring the schedule back next month. It was nice to meet you all.

## **E. MCD MEETING LOCATION**

Chair Bleck said we moved to this location because a member was allergic to the chlorine at the Chavez Center. We have a choice of meeting here or there, but should decide on a place and stick to it. Nancy brought this up at the last meeting.

Chair Bleck asked Mr. Fernandez and Ms. Martin which one they preferred. Both said City Hall as long as it works for all of the members.

Mr. McQuarie said he prefers the Chavez Center. This place is an echo chamber. He has a hard time hearing what is going on. The classroom at the Chavez Center has a harder surface and lower ceiling. He agrees that the chlorine can really bother some people. He has a super hard time getting a ride all the time here with para transit to come here. If need be he can ride his scooter to the Chavez Center.

Ms. Reed asked would it be better for you if you met in the back of this room where the ceiling is much lower.

Chair Bleck said you being able to hear is a significant reason to move.

Ms. Reed asked why don't you try in the back of the room.

Mr. McQuarie said it is better. It is a more compact area.

Chair Bleck said we used to meet back there. The need to hear is a very significant need.

Ms. Gish said we also moved here so that people with City government could meet with us easier. Lets try the back of the room and if does not work move to the Chavez Center.

Chair Bleck said she proposes that we try the back of the room and if the hearing capability does not improve we move to the Chavez Center.

Everyone agreed.

## **7. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. MCD SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **PLAN REVIEW**

Mr. McQuarie said his memo is in the meeting packet. We reviewed one set of plans for construction on Agua Fria and Cottonwood. Our comments were straight forward and are in the memo in your packet. He reminded them that the contractor will be responsible for making it ADA accessible and that traffic control signage is a

requirement. The plan did show it. The City did not include it and it is mandatory. We are planning a couple of more plan reviews soon. One is more curb ramps and the other is signaling an intersection. He will bring reports to the Committee on those.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

Chair Bleck said the Transportation Advisory Board did not have quorum so there was no meeting.

### **8. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS AND STAFF**

Mr. Wirtz said he spoke to Coleen Davidson who is interested in being appointed to this Committee and is writing a letter to the Mayor.

Chair Bleck said Nancy has a couple of people who are interested as well.

Mr. McQuarie said at the next meeting Transportation said they were going to talk about having traffic control at intersections. They are required to do so. They said they were going to look at the bus stop at DeVargas. We must know if the route will be pedestrian accessible access from DeVargas to Sheridan. Yellow tape is used when construction is being done on sidewalks. There needs to be good signage.

Mr. Wirtz said a constituent contacted him who wrote to the library downtown explaining that a section of that library that has books that are very moldy and she is chemically sensitive and can barely be in the library. She wrote and complained. Also whoever does the cleaning in that library is using products that are toxic and make people ill. There have been a lot of complaints to the library. Also vendors on the Plaza for big parties who are selling their food sometimes emit a whole lot of smoke that makes people ill. She wrote to the City. She never heard back from library or the City.

Mr. McQuarie asked have any of you noticed or had people ask you about access for Ft. Marcy or Otero Street where it is not accessible to cross the street or parking lot. He has had a couple of people come to him about that. He checked it out and he agrees that they are not accessible.

Mr. McQuarie said at Ft. Marcy the new bridge for pedestrians for Zozobra is not accessible. The Governors Committee commented that it is not accessible. That project was supposed to be reviewed by us for inspection, but we have yet to be contacted. Officially he has not looked at it.

Mr. Wirtz said now that we have a new Mayor and 3 new Councilors he will work with Carol Romero Wirth, who is his Councilor, on the resolution for this committee. We proposed it and it hit a stone wall. He will try to revitalize that resolution.

Mr. McQuarie said he is glad you are going to do that. Last time at Council he invited the new Mayor and all the Councilors to please attend our meeting at least once or twice.

Ms. Gish said we should be working on getting them to attend meetings. She can invite her Councilors, Coppler and Harris. When she interned for the City we had a plan to meet with the Mayor once a month to give a run down on what was going on. We should pursue that.

Chair Bleck said the Transportation Advisory Board will be discussing staffing issues at their May meeting.

**9. NEXT MEETING  
APRIL 19, 2018**

**10. ADJOURN**

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 am.



Aurore Bleck, Chair



Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer