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**MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY  
THURSDAY, MAY 17, 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 APRIL 19, 2018 MEETING
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (15 MIN. TOTAL)
6. NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
  - a) PUBLIC-RIGHTS-OF-WAY (PROW) PRIORITY DETERMINATION – MARK TIBBETTS
  - b) FORT MARCY LOCKER ROOM RENOVATION UPDATE – SAM BURNETT
  - c) TRANIST DEPT. “SENSITIVITY TRAINING” UPDATE – DANIEL FERNANDEZ
7. OLD BUSINESS
  - a) MCD SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - b) MCD BROCHURE DISTRIBUTION – AURORE BLECK
  - c) 2018 COMMUNITY DAY – MERIAM JAWHAR
  - d) MAIN LIBRARY MOLD UPDATE – DANIEL FERNANDEZ

ITEMS FROM MEMBERS AND STAFF (3 MINUTES)

8. ADJOURN

NEXT MEETING JUNE 21, 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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\*\*Please notify Aurore Bleck, Chair at (505)473-2060 and/or Daniel Fernandez, ADA Coordinator/Liaison, at (505)955-6612 if you are unable to attend.

**SUMMARY OF ACTION  
MAYORS COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
200 LINCOLN AVENUE  
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**MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
200 LINCOLN AVENUE  
THURSDAY, MAY 17, 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, May 17, 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  
Michael Wirtz  
Nancy Pieters  
Meriam Jawhar  
(3 vacancies)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Kathlyne Gish, Excused

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Daniel Fernandez, ADA Coordinator  
Victor Hughes  
Mark Tibbetts, MPO Officer  
Elizabeth Matin, Stenographer

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chair Bleck said Mr. Burnette was unable to be here so Daniel Fernandez will be reporting on item 6 B.

**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**

**APRIL 19, 2018**

Chair Bleck said on page 1, add the apostrophe to Mayor's in the title, on page 5 it should say Rincon and multimodal. Stephen Lopez was not there.

Mr. Wirtz said Eeds is the correct spelling.

Ms. Pieters said on page 2 it should say Ms. Pieters, on page 8, it should be Chair Bleck said.

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

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

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

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

**A. PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY (PROW) PRIORITY DETERMINATION**

Mr. Tibbets said we have done a Pedestrian Plan and an ADA Transition Plan that address sidewalk conditions. We do not have a schedule at this point to complete all the accommodations. It is an MPO long range focus to work with roads, sidewalks and bikeways, in the City and the County.

Mr. Tibbets explained what an MPO is and what they do. Our job is to create plans, host meetings and do public meetings. We are looking at specific projects and funding to bring the city into ADA compliance. We will come up with a prioritized program and look for funding. We want to address the issues, but need to do it in a systemized way. We hope to start this summer working with Daniel Fernandez. He is a big help.

Mr. Wirtz asked where do you look for funding.

Mr. Tibbets said CIP money and the sidewalk fund. It is a matter of how do we promote these priorities up on the priority chain. We are hoping to cobble some of these projects together and package them for funding. Right now some projects are being done in the Agua Fria area.

Chair Bleck said in the past former Councilor Maestas suggested the gas tax for funding.

Mr. Tibbets said once we get everything established we may be able to look at that.

Mr. McQuarie said the City of Santa Fe recently completed a public rights of way survey so the City could establish which roads and priorities for those roads to be done. The City is responsible and it is part of their transition. There was a letter dated November 2013 that suggests a few roads from the Federal Highway Department and the Department of Justice. There is a part of Sandoval that is a priority to us. What is the City priority. We spent \$300,000 to get that study done and the City Engineer/Public Works Director did not even attend the meetings. How can we get the City Public Works to pay attention to what they are supposed to do for transition and get it done.

Mr. Tibbets said those are all very good points. That stretch of Sandoval is on our plan. It is a dangerous crossing and high speed. The MPO coordinates with Public Works, but sometimes we don't hear about a little improvement project where we could piggyback to get some of these things done. The Public Works Director will be changing over. We still have an interim. We are hoping we can coordinate together when there is a person hired for Public Works and Land Use. We need voices like yours to get these things off dead center.

Mr. Tibbets said our feeling is we are looking for slower speeds. Roads are for everyone no matter how they are traveling. Planners are still thinking roads are for cars. They are for people in cars, buses, bicycles and walking. The sooner that sense gets clarified in the designs the better. For now we try to find some sort of counter measures where people are to get across in an safe way. Solutions are not easy, but we have to establish priorities.

Chair Bleck asked if a member of the public has a priority do they get that to Daniel.

Mr. Tibbets said when we use the term priority we have to be thinking about the fact that ADA law gives rights. It can go as a legal case. The more we speak to those issues about safety the better. The primary priority is to get around the City safely. It is helpful to address committees and the Governing Body. Face to face presence is very effective.

Mr. McQuarie said he appreciates the position he is in and he appreciates your broad interpretation of ground transportation which includes walking, skateboards and wheelchairs.

Chair Bleck said thank you.

Mr. McQuarie asked Daniel to do him a favor. Please notify City Public Works to provide this Committee with their priority list of public right of way projects and an

approved target date. Also he would like for the list that Chair Bleck prepared to be sent to all the Committee members and to be attached to the minutes from this meeting. That list is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "1".

## **B. FORT MARCY LOCKER ROOM RENOVATION UPDATE**

Mr. Fernandez said we conducted a review of the Ft. Marcy locker room renovation. It crossed his desk that the project is ready to go forward. They are bringing the men's and women's locker rooms up to code including ADA standards. He doesn't know the timing. The design is complete so it will be within the upcoming months. This is part of the transition plan that is getting addressed. They will renovate the entire building as funding comes through.

Mr. McQuarie said our committee reviewed the plans. We don't do follow up. We give advice and we depend on their personal integrity to get it done within access standards.

## **C. TRANSIT DEPARTMENT "SENSITIVITY TRAINING" UPDATE**

Mr. Fernandez said on April 25<sup>th</sup> he coordinated with the Governor's Committee to provide training for transit operators. The first session was on April 25<sup>th</sup>. It included hands on training and a video. There are activities so operators can get a feel and understanding. Last month the training dealt with hard of hearing, speech impairments and blind or sight impairments. It is important to keep this sensitivity training going as new drivers come on. May 23<sup>rd</sup> is the next training. It will cover cognitive disabilities, mental health disabilities and physical disabilities. We had 63 operators at the first session. We got copies of the evaluations they filled out and there was nothing but positive comments. This is good for the City. Hopefully we will be able to provide this training to all the departments in the City.

Mr. Wirtz asked how long is the training.

Mr. Fernandez said 1 hour each. We do the same training 3 times in the same day for operators. All operators, including paratransit, are included.

Mr. Fernandez said we did reach out to the call center operators and are trying to spread the awareness.

Chair Bleck said that is great.

## **7. OLD BUSINESS**

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

## **Plan Review**

Mr. McQuarie said there are plans in the works to review. After this meeting he and Daniel are meeting with Public Works about some outstanding projects. Everyone is welcome. In the near future hopefully we will address parking issues.

Mr. Fernandez said the Director of Parking is scheduled here for next month's meeting.

Chair Bleck said she would like to form a new subcommittee. It will be the IPM Subcommittee and Mr. Wirtz will be the Chair.

## **IPM**

Mr. Wirtz said he was contracted by several citizens about violations of the Ordinance in the last several months in terms of spraying at the golf course and other places. Rob Carter is no longer an employee of the City and that is a good sign. He needs to figure out who to talk to.

## **Transportation**

Chair Bleck said at the last Transit Advisory Board meeting she mentioned what Mr. McQuarie had said about the Sheraton Bus Terminal renovation and that they needed to make an accessible and marked route to the Plaza. Mr. Wilson is going to check that out. One corner we were worried about is on Cerrillos and that is DOT. They are going to check that out. For the Southside Bus Terminus renovation Mr. Chapman wrote a grant and they got \$2 million. The City owns the property on the other side of Cerrillos and they want to use that for the bus terminal for the southside. The mall does not want the bus stop there because they say it is too hard on the roads. On the signs that Mr. McQuarie was concerned about she told them to check compliance on signs. They will look at that. They will not present it to the plan review committee, but will present it to our Committee. Public transportation for the Airport came up. Most of the flights arrive outside of the route times for transit. When the access roads are completed that will be more feasible. 2 permeant positions for paratransit were approved for the budget. The scheduling program for the system is going to stay with Route Match. They sent out a technician to help the call center people be more efficient. They are looking at Route Match to give automated calls for paratransit saying they on their way. They do have a problem with a group of people who are never ready. There is a lot of turnover in operators. System wide ridership is down and they think it is due to terrorism.

## **B. MCD BROCHURE DISTRIBUTION**



Chair Bleck said we need to distribute our brochures and we need to coordinate the distribution.

Mr. Fernandez said he put them at City Hall and Market Station.

Mr. Wirtz said he will take them to the Brookdale Senior Center. Ms. Pieters will take them to the Santa Fe Care Clinic and the Casa Rael Nursing Home. Ms. Jawhar will take them to DVR, Lifelink, the Santa Fe Community Guidance Center and St. Elizabeths. Mr. McQuarie will take them to the Indian Hospital, Public Health Service and the Dental Clinic. Ms. Pieters said she will take them to the main library. Chair Bleck will take them to the southside library.

Chair Bleck said we will do more when we have more.

### **C. 2018 COMMUNITY DAY**

Ms. Jawhar said she did not make the event after all.

Mr. Fernandez said the Governor's Committee did not participate so he was unable to give them brochures to hand out.

### **D. MAIN LIBRARY MOLD UPDATE**

Mr. Fernandez said he researched the issue of mold in the main library per Mr. Wirtz's request. He reached out to the Library Division Director. They responded and basically said there has been no mold detected at the library since the mold eradication was done in 2001. There have been two subsequent tests done showing no mold.

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

Ms. Jawhar said she will be in California for the next meeting.

Ms. Pieters said she will be in Colorado for the next meeting.


Mr. McQuarie asked Daniel to find out the status of the convention center transition, when we will get the plans and when is it to be completed.


Mr. Fernandez said he did reach out. They are working on a response.

### **9. NEXT MEETING JUNE 21, 2018**

### **10. ADJOURN**

There being no further business before the Committee the meeting adjourned at 11:35 pm.

  
Aurore Bleck, Chair

  
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

Of current interest to the Mayor's Committee on Disability:

1. Parking violations in ADA spaces: Police are not able to patrol these parking spots on private property or respond to complaints of disability parking placard holders because of higher priorities. The committee suggests rewriting/updating the ordinance that covers parking violations to allow meticulously documented infractions to be ticketed with the submission of photographic evidence.
2. Pesticide management: Update the Mayor's Committee on Disability resolution to add oversight of the city's Integrated Pest Management program. The staffing plan for this year saved money in the budget to allow the spring hiring of staff to get the weeds mowed early. Sometimes a confluence of circumstances pushes public officials to use pesticides where a quick staff response would suffice. The current IPM program requires notifications that are not always done in these cases. More and more people experience some level of multiple chemical sensitivity that makes public spaces a danger to them if the spaces are sprayed. [Note: Are these chemicals safe for our children if present in our parks or the Railyard?]
3. Accessibility downtown: There is a comprehensive Public Right of Way (PROW) plan for the City that looks at accessibility of sidewalks and crosswalks. The Engineering Department is committed to fixing the sidewalks that are inaccessible in the PROW plan over 20 years. Progress needs to be documented and reported. Currently, in conjunction with the upcoming renovation of the Sheridan Bus Terminus, there needs to be an accessible, marked route from the temporary bus terminus that will be used during the construction to the Plaza. [There is also a "Transition Plan" that is older that looks at City buildings and is rarely remembered or used as a plan for remediation.]
4. Fort Marcy bridge repair: The path surface around the repaired bridge is not solid and not accessible for people using manual wheelchairs or other mobility devices. Engineering responded by saying that the path was fine for able-bodied men in the prime of life ("I can walk on it") and therefore fine for everyone? The bridge needs to be fixed and the Engineering Department needs sensitivity training.
5. Bus stop at Second Street and Cerillos Road in front of the Indian Hospital: This inaccessible bus stop has been a problem for more than twenty years, and it appears that it will be remedied hopefully in 2019. Funding is set aside by NMDOT, and the project is awaiting right-of-ways from the BIA. This project has been stalled innumerable times and needs to be monitored to ensure it is fixed and not derailed again.
6. Housing in Santa Fe: Housing is not available at affordable rates for those who are currently able-bodied and those who are not.
7. Community Day is held on the Plaza once a year (tomorrow, May 12<sup>th</sup>, from 10-3) and attended mostly by tourists. If the participants are really meant to be Santa Fe residents, the location is not working.

Mayor's Committee on Disability meetings are the third Thursday of each month at 10:00 am in the rear of the City Council Chamber. The monthly agenda is available on the City website.

Aurore Bleck  
Chair, Mayor's Committee on Disability  
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Exhibit "1"