

Minutes – Regular Meeting
DISABILITY ACCESS COMMISSION
Wednesday April 24, 2019
Village Hall, Oak Park Illinois

Roll Call and Call to Order

Present: Amy O'Rourke, Jen Kovar, Brian Roman, Colleen Burns and Mari Davis.
Staff Liaison: Stacy Dexter
Quorum: The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM and a quorum was declared.

Minutes

- Motion to approve the February 27, 2019 meeting minutes, motion carried.

Agenda

- Motion to approve the April 24 Agenda, updating spelling of Commissioner Burns to "Colleen" and amending to reflect **Item 7 Communications including discussion of a. Video**, motion carried.

Non Agenda Public Comments

- OPRF AP Government student, Maxwell Barnett attended for a class assignment

New Business

- DAC is planning to work collaboratively with other agencies to attempt to open conversations, raise awareness and actively represent community concerns. This may include coordinating future meetings at alternate locations and individual committee members engaging in conversation and outreach.
- Future efforts will be made to limit meeting length. Previous adjournment noted lack of quorum ending meeting.

Ongoing Business

1. Review Public Works elevator memo – Commissioner Kovar will follow up with inquiry to establish implementation and timeline
2. Accessible Clear Passageways
 - a. Outdoor Dining – permitting is underway for the 2019 outdoor dining season. Committee felt the letter to businesses provided an opportunity to clearly communicate expectations of businesses utilizing outdoor dining space. Committee also felt that periodic checks on outdoor dining spaces mentioned by Cameron Davis would further promote compliance.
 - b. Construction – Private & Public – DAC felt a form of centralized communication with regard to construction impacting ROW traffic would be helpful, much like the downtown business group communication set up. Options will be explored on a best practice for communicating the information, including utilizing the construction projects link on the VOP webpage.
3. Benchmarking Laws, Best Practices, Policies and/or Ordinance – Commissioner Yannias's research was distributed to the Commission for review in her absence. Items will be discussed at a future date.
4. Commissioner Kovar is continuing in her outreach efforts with the Chamber of Commerce. Commissioner Roman will also make himself available for future opportunities to partner with the Chamber.
5. Chair O'Rourke will follow up with Clerk Scaman regarding the Trustee Liaison position following the upcoming installation of new Board Members.
6. Chair O'Rourke will explore the possibility of relocating future meeting to locations which might engage other interest groups including the Progress Center, Senior Center and other entities which might benefit through sharing experiences and partnership with DAC. All Commissioners will work to compile list of organizations to approach for collaboration.
7. Communication
 - a. DAC Commission members are working with Joe Kreml, Media Production Manager VOP, to compile an informative video to better illustrate some of the work the Commission is doing.

Adjournment

- 8:02PM meeting was adjourned.