

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 5:30pm

at North Valley Senior Center, at 3825 4th Street NW 87107

Members Present: Lisa McNiven, Peggy Chong, Terri O'Hare, Karen Cushnyr, CeeCee Montgomery

Members Absent: none

Staff Members Present: Annabelle Romero (Office of Human Rights and Diversity/ADA)

Call to Order and Introductions: Meeting called to order at approximately 6:10 pm

Approval of August 2, 2016 Agenda: Lisa made a motion to approve minutes and agenda,

Peggy seconded approval.

Issues

ADA Advisory Council Ordinance- Karen emailed Counselor Pena's office with no response. We do not have any other sponsors. We have requested revisions, but the document has not been returned.

Annabelle said we should request a meeting with counselor Pena through Nancy Montoya, and to be persistent. Terri called and emailed Counselor Pena's office with a response from Nancy Montano that Councilor Pena didn't have time yet to review the new revisions.

Adoption of the ADA Advisory Council Resolution: Changes were made and adopted. Signed by Karen Cushnyr and Terri O'Hare. Will need to clean up this copy and send to Annabelle and Shannon.

Karen sent scans to Terri, changes were made on an original Word doc and city staff now has the document.

Annabelle took the signed last page with her.

Discussion

Peggy - is working with ABQ Ride to fix the App through 311 to make it accessible. When a recent update

went through, it made it hard to access for those with disabilities.

Peggy - per her concern- talk to the Mayor's office and ask if members with disabilities are considered or included in Boards. Is there inclusivity training for other areas, such as law enforcement, Fire Dept?

There seem to be inclusion and language problems. Is there some kind of policy to enforce hiring preference?

Need to meet with city bus drivers regarding pets on buses test pilot. Potential for city Police

Dept to send high ranking representative to December meeting.

Lisa - mentioned Schedule A- ask what or how the city goes about the hiring process. Call Allen Armijo - Director of Constituent Services. Put this in writing and then send to the Mayor's office and City Council.

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Terri - Quorum is difficult to make. Calling in is an option but with current system it is difficult to hear.

Mentioned some forward planning, look ahead to SW Con on Disability in 2017, do we want a table there? How to pay for these? How to raise our visibility for new members and so the community knows we exist.

Annabelle- November meeting will be update on Transition Plan.

Karen - spoke about Pets on Buses issue. Also shared that the issues with Service Dogs and lack of enforcement of current state laws is lacking. Also training of Police /Fire officials needs to be discussed.

Public Comment

There were no members of the public present, thus no comment.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm by a motion from Karen Cushnyr.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the ADA Council will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at the North Valley Senior Center at 3825 4th Street NW, Albuquerque 87107

The meeting minutes from October 4, 2016, have been prepared and approved by:

Chairperson: Karen Cushnyr _____ Date _____

Secretary: Terri O'Hare Date: 10.31.2016

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