Americans with Disability Advisory Council Minutes

Date:

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

Time:

5:30 p.m.

Location:

Zoom

Council Members Present:

Travis Davis, Chair Diane Mourning Brown, Vice-Chair Kerry Houlihan Matthew Loehman Sean King

Council Members Not Present:

Kaatje van der Gaarden Daniel Strones

City Staff Present:

Leigh Brunner, Assistant City Attorney Jordan Vargas, Title II ADA Coordinator Crystal Velarde, Minute Taker Jasmine Desiderio, Deputy Director of Albuquerque Community Safety Department

Members of the Public

Nat Dean Karen Cushnyr

I. Call to Order

a. The meeting was called to order at 5:34 pm with Chair Davis, Vice-Chair Morning Brown and member King, Houlihan and Loehman.

II. Approval of Agenda

 a. Chair Davis called for approval of the agenda. The agenda was approved as presented.

III. Approval of August 3, 2021 Minutes

a. Member Loehman moved to approve the minutes for the August 3, 2021 meeting, and Chair Davis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by other council members.

IV. Introductions

a. All who were present introduced themselves.

V. Public Comment

a. Members of the public shared concerns regarding the accessibility of the meetings and how they do not like the webinar format. They also shared they did not feel their accommodations were being met and suggested the Council review old minutes to see how the Council was run in the past. It was shared that a live captioner was ordered however, they did not show for the meeting. Zoom's closed captioning option was turned on for the members of the public.

VI. Presentation from Community Safety with CABQ

a. Jasmine Desiderio, Deputy Director of Albuquerque Community Safety (ACS) Department provided an update on ACS. ACS is the third branch of the City's public safety system. Their department assists with non-violent and non-medical calls for 911. ACS provides services that include mental or behavioral health, homelessness, addiction, abandoned vehicles and needle pick-up. A planning committee has also been composed of community partners, several city

departments, as well as county departments. ACS is projected to take 3,000-3,500 calls a month. The current timeline for ACS is as follows: phase I June 2020-Jan 2021; phase II Feb-Mar 2021 to June 2021 and phase III Aug-Sep 2021 to Oct-Dec 2021. The public will be able to contact ACS via 911, 311, and soon 988. There will be public education around the difference between 911 and 988 and when to call which number.

VII. Summary of Legislative Health & Human Services Committee Meeting

a. Tabled for the October meeting.

VIII. New Business and Announcements from Members

- a. Heather Benavidez, will present on ABLE New Mexico at the next meeting.
- b. Member Loehman will also present on Horizons.
- c. Masks are required for all in-person members, staff and visitors per the CDC.

IX. Adjournment

a. The meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm.

The next regularly scheduled ADA Advisory Council Meeting will be Tuesday, October 5, 2021.

Travis Davis, Chair

10/5/21 Date