

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 5:30pm at City Council Committee Room,
9th Floor, Suite 9081
One Civic Plaza NW, Albuquerque, NM

Members Present: Lisa McNiven, Terri O’Hare, Karen Cushnyr, Sacheen Smith, Mike Renaud, Peggy Chong, Daniel Strones

Members Absent: none

City Staff Members Present: ABQ Human Rights/ADA: Annabelle Romero, David Harper: Inspector General COA

Members of the Public: Thomas Sanchez, Charlene Blackledge

Call to Order and Introductions: Meeting had a quorum. The meeting began at approximately 5:35 pm

Approval of Minutes and Agenda: Agenda was moved for approval by Peggy Chong, seconded by Sacheen Smith. Minutes were moved for approval by Peggy Chong, seconded by Michael Renaud.

Presentations: Julie Luna from BernCo.

Public Comment: No comments from public.

ADA Council Discussions:

New member Daniel Strones introduced himself and spoke of his local advocacy work, TBI and civil engineering. The group welcomed Daniel to the Advisory Council.

Julie Luna gave a presentation on the issues the County’s ROW ADA Transition Plan revealed. She prepared packets for each member and gave a summary for the ramps, curbs and sidewalks she measured. She also gave a draft questionnaire to the members and received feedback for revisions.

The chart to the right is a summary image of her efforts and conditions in BernCo.

Priority Points for Addressing ADA Issue (0-5)	Sidewalk Features	Ramp Features
0	1,279	2,055
1	103	405
2	508	191
3	182	97
4	196	199
5	77	138

0 - low priority

5 - high priority

Member Michael Renaud mentioned that some traffic signals have the light buttons pedestrians push located 10 feet from the sidewalks, not accessible. He has also noticed no curb cuts at some bus stops.

Members agreed to the new Council Resolution revisions and Rules of Conduct and Attendance. Daniel moved to approve and Sacheen seconded. Motion approved.

Members spoke with David Harper who attended the meeting about the Inspector General report on ADA access and violations in the city, the 33-page PDF report. The media covered it well, and David mentioned he felt Tessa Mentus at KOB 4 did the best reporting and framed the issues of the report the most accurately of the various reporters. Mr. Harper mentioned the report has been received mostly positively.

Adjournment:

The meeting was moved for adjournment by Peggy at 6:40 pm, and seconded by Sacheen. The informal meeting minutes from November 7, 2017 have been prepared and approved by:

Chairperson: Karen Cushnyr _____ Date _____

Secretary: Terri O'Hare _____ Date _____