

ADA Advisory Council Minutes – Nov. 10, 2021

Attendance

Advisory Council Members Present: Steve Schoenberg, Anthony Fadale, Joe Cheray, Robert Nugent, and Marilyn Lind

Absent: Kim Dietrich and Frank Kent

City Staff Present: David Bevens, Assistant

Welcome & Introductions

Additions and Approval of the Agenda and Minutes

Approval of the minutes and agenda.

Public Comments, Public Outreach – Steve and Joe attended the Citizens Advisory Council (CAC), a group made up of neighborhood leaders, via Zoom. The main speakers shared about their efforts to update the transportation plan for this area. Speakers were Bill Fiander, Planning Director, and a consultant charged with creating the plan. Their attendance were on behalf of the ADA Advisory Committee.

Old Business

Bird Scooters Update – Susan McClatcherty, CAC President and guest at the meeting, said that a representative was supposed to speak at the Nov. 9 Topeka City Council meeting but was unable to due

to technical issues with the broadcast. Staff was asked to check the contract and ordinance the City has created with Bird Scooter to see if they are following the rules and conditions set out by both.

ADA Accessible Parking Survey – Update – Joe agreed to pick up the slack and contact those who took the survey and wanted someone to contact them. Thank you Joe.

Review/Restart Subcommittee Work – Update
There was nothing new to report. Work will begin once some other initiatives have been completed. Regarding the LE Training Review, the group wants to wait until the seating of the new police chief before moving forward with dialogue and recommendations.

New business

ADA Webpage content – Draft Review

David provided a draft to the group, one that was a modification of the existing draft. It was suggested that the Vision, Goals and Accomplishments be added to the page, and that information under links be prominently displayed.

Candidate Survey Question re: Full-time City of Topeka ADA Coordinator Position – A question on the City Council Candidate Survey asked the candidate if they would support the hiring of a full-time ADA Coordinator similar to what they have in Lawrence and other larger cities in Kansas. Anthony suggested that the City look into what Lawrence and Manhattan have done as it was vetted thoroughly in Lawrence before it was implemented. It was agreed to make contact with Evan in Lawrence.

Report on any ADA compliance complaints

Non-ADA Council related issues/questions

Schedule next meeting – Dec. 8

Adjourned