



Diversity Equity and
Inclusion Office City Hall,
215 SE 7th St Topeka, KS

785-368-3917
www.topeka.org
edelarosa@topeka.or

ADA Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 9th, 2023

1:00 pm, Zoom Meeting

Present: Steve Schoenberg, Anthony Fadale, Michael Byington, Wulf James, Monique Vopat, Carrie Hageman, Kim Dietrich, Nicholas Trammell, Joe, Susan, Bob Nugent, Nelson Casteel, ASL Interpreter Katie, & ASL Observer.

Members Absent: None

Staff: Ernestor De La Rosa, Zaynah Afada

- Welcome & Introductions: Members present introduced themselves to the presenter.
- Approval of Agenda and Minutes: Members of the committee proved corrections to the July 19th meeting minutes and requested that corrections be made. A motion to table the approval of the July 19th minutes was made by Michael and seconded by Wulf. Motion passed unanimously.
- New Business:
 - Presentation by Shawnee County Emergency Management: Nelson Casteel provided a presentation on emergency communication using the PACE acronym; which is Primary, Alternate, Contingency, and Emergency communication to members of the committee. Members present expressed their concerns and asked question regarding communications for persons with ADA. Nelson responded to the questions and concerns.
- Old Business:
 - Ernestor shared that the City's ADA Grievance Process is being reviewed by the City's Legal Department. Updates will be provided at the September meeting.
 - Ernestor shared that the ADA complaints including the intersection of 8th and Quincy are being followed up on with the Public Works Department. Updates on this process will be provided at the September meeting.
- Public Comment:
 - Ernestor asked if the committee have specific organizations they would like to have present during meeting for presentations and questions. Ernestor suggested

having the Community Engagement Department doing a presentation and discussing about the Digital Equity program. Michael asked if the committee can get information or presentations on assisted listening devises and audio description programing for productions in city entertainment and theatrical facilities.

- Next meeting- Wednesday, September 13, 2023.
- Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.