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ADA Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 21, 2024

12:00 pm, Zoom Meeting

Present: Chair Joe Charey, Vice-Chair Kim Dietrich, Steve Schoenberg, Michael Byington, Anthony Fadale, ASL Interpreter Doris, Jadyn Smith, Carrie Hageman, Ray Petty, Bob Nugent, Monique Vopat; Kara ASL Interpreter, Melanie ASL Interpreter.

Members Absent: Nicholas Trammell, Wulf Roby

Staff: Monique Glaude', Zaynah Afada

Information: The ADA Advisory Council's meeting was rescheduled from March 13 to March 21, 2024, at 12 pm due to connectivity issues.

Welcome & Introductions:

• <u>Approval of Agenda and Minutes:</u> Michael moved to accept the corrected meeting minutes, which was seconded by Steve. The motion passed.

• New Business:

- o Introduction of Interim DEI Officer and ADA Coordinator: Monique Glaude introduced herself as the Interim ADA and DEI Officer.
- o ADA training for small businesses Response from Legal Team: Zaynah shared updates from the legal team regarding the ADA ordinance and the public events that members can hold. Based on the information provided, the members agreed to conduct two public events, the first scheduled for August and the second for October.
 - Michael motioned to have Public Accommodation and Service Animals and Equally Affective Communication as the two topics to focus on for the public information session. Kim seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- O ADA Presentation to Council, April 16, 2024: Zaynah reminded members of the ADA presentation that will take place at 6 pm on April 16, 2024, at the Governing Body Meeting.

Old Business:

Letter of Support: Members of the ADA expressed interest in supporting the Safe Streets and Road for All Grant application submitted by public works. The Subcommittee will meet to review the letter of support.

- Public Comment:
- Next meeting- Wednesday, April 10, 2024

• Adjourn – 12:33 pm.