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ADA Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

1:00 pm, Zoom Meeting

Present: Chair Steve Schoenberg, Monique Vopat, Kim Dietrich, Joe Cheray-Wildheart, Bob Nugent, Wulf Roby, & Michael Byington.

Members Absent: Nicholas Trammell, Anthony Fadale, & Carrie Hageman.

Guests: Marylyn Lind, Susan McClacherty, Lee Holmes, & Braxton Copley

Staff: Ernestor De La Rosa, Zaynah Afada, & ASL Interpreter Emily

- Welcome
- Approval of Agenda and Minutes: The motion to accept the minutes for October was made by Wulf and seconded by Monique. The motion was passed unanimously.
- New Business:
 - Presentation on Quincy Street Improvement Project: Braxton Copley, Director of Public Works, provided a presentation on the street improvement project along Quincy Street between 6th and 8th Street. Mr. Copley also answered questions regarding the concerns from the ADA Advisory Council members regarding future and similar projects with the removal of traffic lights (red, green, and yellow) and replacing them with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) and other safety street improvements.

With the concerns discussed above during the meeting, Michael made a motion: “I move that this Council express the position that the replacement of red, yellow, and green traffic signals with RRFBs can potentially reduce accessibility for people with certain types of disabilities.” Wulf seconded the motion and added that the Access Board and other rules may reinforce it. Wulf noted that he would follow up and share the language staff to be shared with the ADA Advisory Council.

Due to a lack of a final vote, the ADA Advisory Council members requested additional time and information to vote on this motion. Michael then moved to table the motion for the next ADA Advisory Council meeting; Wulf seconded it and will share the language with staff to pass it on to ADA Advisory Council

members—the motion to table the vote table the motion above until the following meeting was passed unanimously.

- Old Business: None
- Public Comment: None
- Next meeting- Wednesday, December 13, 2023
- Meeting Adjourned– 1:51 pm.