

# Salt Lake City Accessibility Council

Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month.

## Agenda

**Note: We are meeting in room 126, first floor.**

**Tuesday, October 28, 2014, 3:00 - 4:30 pm**

Room 126 – first floor  
City & County Building (451 S State)

- 3:00 - Welcome & Introductions  
- Public Input  
- Approval of Minutes
- 3:05 Vote for Vice Chair (after final nominations & nominee statements)  
Current nominees are: Rich Foster, Michael Barnes, Miriam Hyde
- 3:20 Discussion/Motion: City Code 5.76 Transportation of Persons with Disabilities – Jaysen Oldroyd, City Attorney’s Office & Parking / Ground Transportation Committee.  
Link: [http://sterlingcodifiers.com/codebook/index.php?book\\_id=672&chapter\\_id=48812](http://sterlingcodifiers.com/codebook/index.php?book_id=672&chapter_id=48812)
- 3:55 Committee Updates (5 minutes each)
1. Parking & Ground Transportation – Craig Carter
  2. Legislation/Housing/Employment/Membership – Rich / Miriam
  3. Architectural Barriers/Accessibility – Glenn Reeves
    - Budget line item
- Committee Coordination: Regular Committee Meeting Dates/Times
- 4:15 Announcements & Future Agenda Items
- 4:30 Adjourn (until Tues, Nov 25)

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## Committee Assignments

| <b>1. Parking / Ground Transportation</b>  | <b>2. Legislation / Housing / Employment / Membership</b>   | <b>3. Architectural Barriers / Accessibility</b>  |
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|  | 2nd Monday of each month, 2:00 pm, State Health Department, 3670 South Highland Drive                         |   |
| Craig Carter (Chair)<br>Georg Stutzenberger<br>Kira Larkin<br>Michael Barnes<br>Mike Marshall  | Rich Foster (Acting Chair)<br>Miriam Hyde (Chair)<br>Michael Lefevor<br>Patrick Perry<br>Leah Lobato          | Glenn Reeves (Chair)<br>Jim Huber<br>Todd Clafin<br>Eleanor McCowan<br>G Wright   |
| a) 1 in 6 Van Accessible Requirement<br>b) Sugar House plaza<br>c) Taxi cabs   | a) By-laws changes<br>b) Medicaid expansion   | a) Self-evaluation<br>b) Accessibility brochure<br>c) Public way barriers (curbs, snow, construction...)  |
| <b>Top 5 Priorities for the Council (Identified 2014)</b>  |   |   |
| #3 Parking problems in Sugar House: new development, monument plaza, and streetcar. Other on-street parking areas of concern are 9th and 9th, Foothill Village, 15th and 15th. | #2 Snow removal issues.<br><br>#5 Planning & zoning ordinances and permitting process for ADA accommodations. | #1 Crosswalk issues for people with disabilities: timing for people with disabilities, need for verbal commands, right-hand turners failing to yield, left-hand turners failing to yield, flags for visibility.<br><br>#4 Sidewalks: watering lawns 24 hours a day blocking sidewalks, barriers/access through construction zones (not so much Downtown but a problem in other areas; education may be a solution), Sugar House 1100 East going north-south sidewalks are awful; 1700 South sidewalk by SLCC. |

### Accessibility Council – MINUTES – September 23, 2014

Todd Clafin conducted.

**Approval of Minutes:** MOTION by Patrick Perry to approve the minutes. Seconded by Miriam Hyde. Passed unanimously.

**Nominations for Vice Chair - Voting in October:** Todd Clafin opened the floor for nominations. Craig Carter nominated Rich Foster and Michael Barnes and spoke to their experience with the council. Miriam Hyde self-nominated. Craig suggested a printed ballot with space for write-ins and Todd suggested a single election process.

**Discussion: City Code 5.76 Transportation of Persons with Disabilities - Jaysen Oldroyd, City Attorney's Office:** Jaysen described the ordinance provides for a pool of transportation providers to provide transportation for people with disabilities outside of mass transit, taxi cab service, and emergency ambulance service. There have been a number of other providers who have contacted the city in the last several years to apply for a certificate to provide this service. They have been required to show evidence that there is a market demand or need for additional providers and they have not traditionally been successful.

Patrick Perry asked about vans at Senior Care Facilities, Are they required to have a certificate? Jaysen said yes. Patrick asked if there is pricing competition. Jaysen said yes but only within the providers with certificates.

Miriam Hyde asked, How many people know these things are available? and If there was a better education program, how many more people would use it? She asked Why not have more of a free market open competition? Jaysen said pricing of ride fairs needs to be provided to the city to keep on file. The way ground transportation is set up, it's not entirely a free market. Jaysen speculated that the reason for the current ordinance may have been to encourage this type of service where it may not have naturally occurred.

Craig Carter said the city regulates ground transportation broadly and one part of that is the taxi cab ordinance which now has a requirement to have 5% of its fleet be accessible vehicles.

Everette Bacon said the Uber app as a program called assist which allows you to ask for assistance. Those are accommodations that the taxi cabs have not offered in the past.

Todd Claffin said when this ordinance was written, it was a good thing but now as time as gone on there are now more companies and other transportation services that could be useful to people with disabilities. Todd asked Jaysen if he's asking if the ordinance is being reviewed for discrimination. Jaysen said the City is reviewing whether the ordinance is still useful or whether it does more harm than good. Rich Foster asked what the decision-making process would be. Jaysen said his office is reviewing ground transportation ordinances with business licensing and ground transportation office at the airport. Jaysen said it would be nice to get this council's advice on what to do with the ordinance and the reasons for that.

Michael Barnes said he would like more information about what is required of the cab companies. Jaysen said cab companies are not required to meet 5.76. Michael B asked How difficult is it to obtain a certificate? Jaysen said it can be difficult. About 4-5 companies have applied in the last 5 years and only one company received a certificate.

Michael Stott described the big picture of ground transportation regulation in the city to help explain where 5.76 fits in.

Todd said we would like to refer this matter to our Ground Transportation committee and we will plan to make a group recommendation

**Follow-up Discussion: Building Services & Licensing Divisions Presentation:** Michael Stott summarized the discussion from last meeting. Glynis Wright said there is a federal hotline phone number that she called and it worked.

Georg Stutzenberger said the compliance could be done through the business licensing process through their inspections. Michael S agreed saying there might be some opportunity there. He said business licensing has a checklist which the presenters said is connected to building code and it's mostly health and safety issues.

Miriam Hyde said bus service was just cut from her street and it's now very difficult for her to take public transit.

Todd Claflin suggested we look at the business licensing inspection list and that the Architectural Barriers/Accessibility committee take that on. General consensus.

### **Committee Updates**

1. **Parking & Ground Transportation**: Craig Carter reported on his participation in the City Ground Transportation Committee. He said there was some concern about the director of Parking Enforcement. He shared a cartoon about Mayor Becker and transportation. They talked about the City's interest in a federal grant. They talked about the need for adequate parking spots at new business. Michael Stott reported the City agreed with the council's recommendation last meeting to replace the ADA parking stalls removed with the Sugar House monument redevelopment.

2. **Legislation/Housing/Employment/Membership**: Rich Foster reported the committee has made some assignments for keeping an eye on legislation and other issues. They know there was some work done on the application process and they are open to working on any membership needs. Their next meeting was scheduled for 2nd Monday of each month at 2 pm at Rich's office at the State Health Department at 3670 South Highland Drive, 5th floor board room, but next month the day falls on Columbus Day so they'll reschedule.

3. **Architectural Barriers/Accessibility**: Todd Claflin reported the committee has not met recently. He said Michael Stott and he are going to Sugar House tomorrow to look at the accessibility issues there.

### **Future Agenda Items:**

- ordinance 5.76
- 211 presentation - Rich's contact following meeting?
- bus shelters - Todd's contact
- Engineering on sidewalks
- business licensing process