

Salt Lake City Accessibility Council

Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month.

Agenda

Tuesday, January 27, 2015, 3:00 - 4:30 pm

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

- 3:00 - Welcome & Introductions
 - New Appointments
 - Attendance Reminder
 - Approval of Minutes
 - Public Input
- 3:20 Presentation & Discussion: Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the ADA with
 a Project Using www.AXSMap.com - *Michael Stott*
- 4:00 Committee Updates (5 minutes each)
- 2) Legislation/Housing/Employment/Membership – Rich / Miriam
- 3) Architectural Barriers/Accessibility
- Budget line item
- 1) Parking & Ground Transportation – Craig Carter
- ** Committee Coordination: Regular Committee Meeting Dates/Times **
- 4:25 Announcements & Future Agenda Items
- 4:30 Adjourn (until Tues, Feb 24)

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Committee Assignments

<i>1. Parking / Ground Transportation</i>	<i>2. Legislation / Housing / Employment / Membership</i>	<i>3. Architectural Barriers / Accessibility</i>
	2nd Monday of each month, 2:00 pm, State Health Department, 3670 South Highland Drive	
Craig Carter (Chair) Georg Stutzenberger Michael Barnes Mike Marshall	Michael Lefevor (Chair) Rich Foster Patrick Perry Leah Lobato Everette Bacon	Glenn Reeves (Chair) Jim Huber Todd Claflin (Eleanor's old seat) G Wright
a) 1 in 6 Van Accessible Requirement b) Sugar House plaza c) Taxi cabs	a) By-laws changes b) Medicaid expansion	a) Self-evaluation b) Accessibility brochure c) Public way barriers (curbs, snow, construction...)
<i>Top 5 Priorities for the Council (Identified 2014)</i>		
#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. #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. #4 Sidewalks: watering lawns 24 hours a day blocking sidewalks, barriers/access through constructions 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 – November 25, 2014

Welcome

Approval of Minutes: MOTION by Craig Carter to approve the October minutes. Seconded by Todd Claflin. Passed unanimously.

Committee Updates: Parking & Ground Transportation: Craig Carter reported there is concern about increased density in Sugar House resulting to traffic congestion. Question about whether wheelchairs are legally allowed in bike lanes. Michael Stott said we would have to research that. Discussion about a variety of sidewalk issues and the City's ability to handle those. Michael S reminded everyone to send location-specific complaints to him directly by email, phone, or in person outside of the meeting. He said the city spends half a million dollars per years on sidewalks and the group could benefit by hearing from the Engineering Division about all the work they currently do, then we could consider making a recommendation on improving things.

Presentation: 211 Emergency Preparedness Resources: Chiara Cameron, Director of 211 with United Way: Chiara asked the group what they knew about 211. They have a database of 1,100 agencies with a total of 9,000 services with information about the eligibility and process for accessing those services.

In addition to dialing 211, you can access their information via their webpage. They ask patrons whether someone in their home has a documented disability. They found roughly 40-50% were receiving social security disability benefits. The population with access and functional needs is a population they are trying to serve better.

Craig Carter said the Aging population is a group that may not realize they have disabilities.

Michael Stott asked if you can search the website by keyword. Chiara said that is an option and invited everyone to try it out and let them know if there is any feedback.

Rich Foster asked if you can submit complaints to 211. Chiara said they would make a referral rather than take the complaint directly.

Georg Stutzenberger asked if he came across someone in the park with a mental illness, could they help? Chiara said they would make referrals to a direct service that could go out to help.

Discussion/Motion: City Code 5.76 Transportation of Persons with Disabilities – Jayson Oldroyd, City

Attorney's Office: Michael S summarized the discussion from previous meetings. Jaysen Oldroyd said the Attorney's Office has been reviewing the need for the current ordinance. One member asked Jaysen what he suggested be done. Jaysen said in his opinion, he would remove city code 5.76 and move any regulations that should be retained into 5.71. He suggested retaining the vehicle equipment requirements and the fair manifests.

Craig Carter said there are problems with enforcement such as with the marking of vehicles, which is not required by Uber and Lyft. 5.76 is supposed to be enforced by the SLC Police Department while the other regulations are enforced by the airport. One way to enforce is to have the companies pay a violation. Everett Bacon said Uber has in other cities a function called Uber Assist. Rich Foster said we should simplify the ordinances surrounding ground transportation and we should let free enterprise set the price and increase the quality of service. Michael S asked, Is it in the best interest of the general population of Salt Lake City with disabilities for the city to continue to restrict the number of providers of transportation of people with disabilities or to get rid of the ordinance and open it up to any providers?

Jaysen said one approach to this issue is to eliminate 5.76 and take some provisions and put them in 5.71. This would include doing away with the Certificate of Public Convenience approach and removing restricting the number of providers in this service. MOTION by Michael Lefever to make this recommendation to the Mayor. Seconded by Rich Foster. Passed unanimously.

Items to consider moving over include defining accessible vehicle, submitting fair rates, publicly labeling the vehicle, training requirements, enforcement agency and procedures.

Appointment Process for New Year: Michael Stott said he would email the new membership application to everyone and the window for applications will be open until December 7 so the Membership Committee can review and make their recommendation to the Mayor's Office by the end of the year.