Salt Lake City Accessibility Council

Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month. Bring your lunch if you want.

Agenda

Tuesday, October 22, 2013, 12 noon

Cannon Room (335 – third floor) City & County Building (451 S State)

| 12:00 | Welcome | | |
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| 12:05 | Visit with Mayor Becker | | |
| 12:20 | Public Input | | |
| 12:25 | Approval of Minutes | | |
| 12:30 | Presentation: Sugar House Streetcar & UTA Update Sherry Repscher, UTA ADA Compliance Officer | | |
| 12:45 | Update: Snow Removal Solutions Michael Stott | | |
| 12:55 | Committee Updates (5 minutes each) 1. Parking & Ground Transportation – Craig Carter 2. Legislation/City Council/By-Laws – Miriam Hyde 3. Architectural Barriers/Accessibility 4. Housing/Employment/Membership – Lee Bias | | |
| 1:15 | Announcements & Future Agenda Items | | |
| 1:30 | Adjourn (until Tues, Dec 10th - ??? - combining Nov/Dec meetings) | | |

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Committee Assignments

| 1. Parking & Ground Transportation | 2. Legislation/ City Council/ By-Laws | 3. Architectural Barriers/ Accessibility | 4. Housing/ Employment/ Membership |
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| Craig Carter | Miriam Hyde | Todd Claflin | Jerry Green |
| Mary Guy-Sell | Leslee Hintze | Sherry Repscher | Glynis Wright |
| Mike Marshall | Rich Foster | Glenn Reeves | Lee Bias |
| Michael Barnes | | Mary Ann Cowen | Leah Lobato |

Accessibility Council Minutes – Sept 24, 2013

GUESTS: None.

PUBLIC INPUT: None.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: **MOTION by Miriam Hyde to approve the August minutes. Seconded by Jerry Green. Passed unanimously.**

<u>COMMITTEE UPDATES</u>: Todd commended the committees for coming together and starting to meet.

<u>1. PARKING & GROUND TRANSPORTATION</u>: Chair is Craig Carter. Craig reported one issue is hangtags in the county and counterfeits. Michael B showed an example of a hangtag. Michael S will forward the committee report to everyone via email. Next meeting is Oct 8, 1pm, Main Library, Main Level.

<u>2. LEGISLATION/CITY COUNCIL/BY-LAWS</u>: Chair is Miriam Hyde. Miriam reported they discussed Medicaid expansion. Rich brought up a concern about refugee access. They did not have a discussion on bylaws.

<u>3. ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS/ACCESSIBILITY</u>: Chair was not identified. Todd reported he and Sherry discussed the following: access through construction in the city; listing complaints and the process for handling them; access to the new Performing Arts Center and the Capitol Theater renovation; snow removal and notification; and getting information about barriers into the hands of the community. Next meeting is tentatively Thur, Oct 17, 1:30 pm, Salt Lake County Complex, north building.

A question was raised about whether an ex-officio member can serve as chair of a committee. Craig suggested the bylaws should address that.

Miriam asked if we could set up a tour of the Public Safety Building.

<u>4. HOUSING/EMPLOYMENT/MEMBERSHIP</u>: Chair is Lee Bias. Jerry reported issues are: getting in touch with Roger Borgenicht with ASSIST about opportunities; trying to work with an organization like Habitat for Humanity to try to get a model structure built; employment ties into existing outreach efforts; and for membership, thinking about following UTA's recruitment process with an application with standard questions.

Glenn said one of the best accessible housing organizations is NeighborWorks Salt Lake. Jerry said the committee will contact them.

<u>OTHER COMMITTEE DISCUSSION</u>: Todd asked if there are other topics you feel the committees should undertake. Miriam would like to know when/where meetings are and to receive reports via Michael S. Michael S suggested the Legislation Committee look regularly at the City Council agenda and that the Architectural committee look at Michael's full self-evaluation of the city.

Craig asked where the bylaws came from. Michael S said they were created before he came to the city, maybe by his predecessor, Barry Esham, with this council. Craig called the City Attorney's Office and they asked why we had bylaws. Michael B suggested our bylaws may have no merit. Miriam said they give us structure for what we are all doing. Todd said they assist us in maintaining order. The Bylaws committee would make recommendations to the whole Council. Michael B said the bylaws shouldn't infringe on our rights with the ADA. Miriam asked Michael B to email any suggestions.

Michael S asked that the Membership committee look at the vacancy from Linda Collins and suggested Kira Larkin may be a good candidate.

MOTION by Miriam Hyde that we accept Mike Lefavor as the new representative for the Utah Independent Living Center. MOTION withdrawn by Miriam. Todd asked that the issue be taken up by the bylaws committee.

<u>MEDICAID EXPANSION UPDATE</u>: Miriam said we don't have Medicaid expansion and we won't have it until 2014 at the earliest. The Governor has not made a decision and it's unknown what the Legislature will do with it. Miriam talked about the Affordable Care Act and information can be found at healthcare.gov. Todd asked if Miriam suggested a letter be written. Miriam said the Mayor is on board with the expansion. Todd asked the Legislative Committee to draft a letter from Mayor Becker to the State, and the Council can vote next time whether we want to recommend that letter to Mayor Becker. Miriam said it would create a lot of jobs.

<u>BUDGET</u>: Todd said we talked about this many times before and he was happy with where we left it. Craig said his committee talked about needs and if your committee identifies needs, they should discuss those in their meetings. Todd reminded the group requests from the Accessibility Council may be submitted to the Mayor's office. Miriam suggested water for meetings and transportation reimbursement.

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>: Craig brought up the design for the Performing Arts Center. Michael S said he and Mary Ann Cowen are meeting with the design team and they have plans for public outreach which includes focus groups and broader outreach to the disability community. Michael S said they just hit the 50% design development stage and they are getting to a point where they can share with the disability community.

Miriam announced her stake health fair and the County diversity luncheon.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Sugar House street car opens Sun, Dec 28th, for regular service. Update by Sherry. (Todd asked people to bring other issues to him, Jerry, or Michael S)