

CITY OF DENTON  
COMMITTEE ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES  
MINUTES  
September 19, 2019

After determining that a quorum was present, the Committee on Persons with Disabilities of the City of Denton, Texas convened in a meeting on Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 6:01 p.m. in the City Council Work Session room at 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Val Vera, Judy Thurmond, Alison Kelly, Tammera Beckham, Rex King, Sonia Redwine, Joe Rivas, Sally Austin

ABSENT: Beth Haswell-Kirkby, Val Morgan, Jessica Spears Williams

STAFF PRESENT: Marc Oliphant, Ryan Adams, Becky Owens, Karisa Richards, Catherine Clifton, Pam Alummoottil

1. PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. CPD19-033 Consider the approval of the minutes for the meeting held on August 15, 2019

King motioned and Beckham seconded to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

B. CPD19-030 Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding meeting procedures for conducting committee business.

Clifton gave a presentation and discussion followed.

All City of Denton boards, commissions, and committees are expected to abide by applicable state and local laws as well as any local rules. These provisions facilitate orderly and efficient meetings, allowing for all participants to be recognized and voice opinions. The Boards and Commissions Handbook includes applicable provisions for this Committee.

C. CPD19-031 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the City of Denton Mobility Plan update.

Alummoottil gave a presentation and discussion followed.

D. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the ADA

Transition plan draft.

Oliphant gave a presentation and discussion followed.

The City will continue to add to the document concerning other aspects of accessibility in the future.

E. CPD19-034 Staff Reports

Staff provided information and updates relating to several issues of interest to the committee and discussed in past meetings. The following is a listing and brief staff response to the matter brought forward.

Meeting Live Streaming and Recording: Beginning in October 2019, the City will begin recording and livestreaming the Committee's meetings via the City's website and DTV.

Bikeshare, VeoRide, and keeping the Right-of-Way clear: The city has one approved bike share provider, VeoRide. VeoRide has been operating in the city for almost one year. Over the past month, VeoRide use has increased dramatically with the new freshman class at UNT. VeoRide is doing constant outreach and education with student users (including sessions at freshman orientation). There are still bikes being left and parked within the ROW (blocking sidewalks) however. City staff is working with VeoRide on additional measure to prevent sidewalk blockage.

Upcoming Events:

National Night Out, 30 Sept & 1 Oct: A citywide kickoff party will take place from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 30 at the Civic Center. On the evening of Tuesday, Oct. 1, City staff will visit neighborhood-organized parties.

October is Disabilities Employment Awareness Month.

Bond Election: November 5th. The city is proposing an approximately \$220 million bond program to fund city improvements. The bond will include \$12 million for sidewalk improvements. [www.cityofdenton.com/2019bond](http://www.cityofdenton.com/2019bond)

3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

Committee members expressed items of interest for future meetings. Staff to provide list of items on meeting matrix for future meeting topics and new business items requested.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

The next committee meeting will be held on Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

Beth Haswell-Kirkby

~~VAL VERA~~ Beth Haswell-Kirkby  
~~CHAIR~~ Vice chair

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