
PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA



Commission on Disability Concerns Thursday, January 5, 2012 Tempe City Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room

MINUTES

The Meeting was called to order at 6:36 PM by Chairman Mitchell.

(MEMBERS) Present: Chair: Ed Mitchell, Adam Dregely, Irene Mochel, Sarah Kader, Chelsea Chamberlain, Martha Ashburn, Diane Moran, Jolene DeTiege (by phone)

(MEMBERS) Excused Absence (Notification):

Staff Present: Karl Stephens, ADA Coordinator

Public Appearances: NONE

1. **Consideration of Meeting Minutes:** 12/01/11 Draft Commission Minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Mochel to approve the Meeting Minutes for December 1, 2011, seconded by Commissioner Moran and approved unanimously.

2. **Update and Status of Proposed Amendment to TCC 19-93:**

Proposed amendment to be considered at Tempe City Council meeting at 7:30pm. Karl thinks that it will go through. If there are no issues, will become law on March 5th.

3. **Commissioners' Reports on Projects and Interest:**

a) **Downtown Parking Update: Chairman Mitchell**

Karl: Tickets written are up but the data does not show where the tickets are coming from so we do not know what the problem areas are.

Chairman Mitchell: There is a problem with the limited number of volunteers who give the tickets, since they also have other responsibilities. When complaints are made to the city, the response is often that there are too few volunteers. Phoenix has a good system of 4-5 individuals who solely do the tickets.

- b) **Section 8 Housing for Tempe Citizens with Disabilities:** Rich Halverson
Commissioner Halverson not in attendance. A meeting was set up but was canceled, will be rescheduled. The issue of concern is what has the City done to increase the number of vouchers available in the past five years?
- c) **Social Media and Commission on Disabilities Concern Website:** Jolene de Tiede and Chelsea Chamberlain.

Commissioner Chamberlain will send Chairman Mitchell the document.

- d) **Support for Mayor's Commission on Disability Concerns Awards Ceremony:** Irene Mochel

Event set for April 25th, hoping to use the bridge. Using our own caterer is a possibility. The event might be a breakfast to accommodate Mayor's schedule. Chairman Mitchell wants to raise the awareness of the awards. Commissioner Kader volunteered to post flyers at the Disability Empowerment Center

- e) **College Avenue Construction:** Rich Halverson

Karl: This is an ongoing problem. Some residents have taken the hazards into their own hands. Karl is working on the issue and will report back next time.
Chairman Mitchell: Wheelchairs have no safe place to wait for the bus and have to wait in the street.

- f) **Universal Design for homes and Apartments within the Tempe City Limits:** Ed Mitchell

No update.

4. Report on the Status of the ADA Standards for Tempe Special Events

Karl: Special events knows that parks are sometimes inaccessible. The City Attorney called on behalf of special events and is concerned. The commission has the goal of trying to get Special Events more educated so as not to have a big component of any event inaccessible.

5. Guidelines and Standards for City of Tempe Commissioners:

No update.

6. Future Presentations by Tempe Departments

Chairman Mitchell would like to get Parks sand Recreation and DTC to come and present.

7. Commissioners' Issues and Concerns for October:

Commissioner Ashburn: Would like AT phones to make a presentation at a future meeting – potentially next month, February 2nd.

8. Announcements by Commissioners that are of Community Interest:

Candidate Forum is on February 27th. There will also be an Arizona Republic Candidate Forum on January 30th at Tempe City Hall from 7-9pm.

Karl reminds everyone of the MLK Brunch on January 16th at Tempe Buttes, Chairman Mitchell will be honored. Tickets are \$5, 9:30am-Noon.

9. Meeting Adjourned

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