

Minutes
Minneapolis Advisory Committee on People with Disabilities
January 19, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Ken Rodgers at 4:35 p.m. Members, staff and guests introduced themselves. Committee has quorum with 9 of its 11 members present.

Members Present: James Farstad, Martha Hage, Margot Imdieke Cross, Georganne Krause, Lee Perish, Ken Rodgers, Keith Swanson, Joan Willshire

Members Absent: Bonnie Jean Smith

Members Excused: Dorothy Balen, Michael Foster

Guests: Council Member Reich, Ward 1

Clara Schmit-Gonzalez, Licensing/Parking Traffic

Ahmed Muhumud, Access and Outreach Manager, Neighborhood and Community Relations

Billie Imhoede, Access and Outreach Specialist, ASL Interpreter, Neighborhood and Community Relations

Toby Broadrick, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board

Staff Present: Ruth Kildow, Becky McIntosh

Interpreters: Bridget Sabatke and Ruth Boetcatr

Council Member Kevin Reich, Ward 1

Ward 1 boundaries include NE Minneapolis and a small portion of SE Minneapolis. His work has been primarily with community development and housing, has worked with Council Member Quincy on housing, new housing area in NE is affordable housing "Monroe Housing." He has also worked with Carolyn Olson, Housing Resource Center. Accessible pedestrian signals located at University & Central Ave are owned by MNDOT, not the city, and he will look into this to see if anything can be done. Currently working with organizer of Art-A-Whirl on accessibility issues and try to get a shuttle bus; and working with the park board and Edison for softball for girls.

Clara Schmit-Gonzalez, Acting Manager for Minneapolis Traffic Control

Clara Schmit-Gonzalez was present to address the continuing issues related to disability parking authorization. If disability parking is violated it is a misdemeanor and can be enforced like other parking violations. To be valid, the permit must show owned by same owner that owned the expired certificate or the permit displayed at the time the tag was issued. If necessary, Georganne Krause will testify to the legislature.

Neighborhood and Community Relations

Ahmed Muhumud,

- o Ahmed will invite a representative from the Elections Office to address the issue of ADA compliance at voting sites. The accessibility booth should be used only by people with disabilities.

Action: Ahmed will draft a statement to be reviewed by Martha Hage, Ken Rodgers and James Farstad. Elections Office representative will be invited to attend February meeting.

- Margot Imdieke Cross asked for an apology.
- Training for ADA Liaisons will be held on February 11.
- ADA Title II Complaint Form will be finalized soon.
- Handouts include: ADA Title II Grievance Procedure; ADA Title II Accommodations Checklist for Neighborhoods; ADA Title Liaison Network

Toby Broadrick, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board – Update

- There will be ADA training for parks, and accessibility audits. Currently using 2010 standards.
- Superintendent would like to attend MACOPD meeting in Spring 2011.
- Members expressed that parking lots remain accessible by having snow cleared and not pushed into accessible parking areas. Police to issue citation if not done.

Approval of November 17, 2010 Minutes and January 19, 2011 Agenda

Keith Swanson motioned to approve the November 17, 2010 minutes, seconded by James Farstad, with no discussion and all approved, the motion was carried.

Motion by Ken Rodgers:

A summary of action items, along with the name of the person responsible for action, be listed separately at the end of the minutes.

Seconded by Margot Imdieke Cross, motion carried.

Ken Rodgers motioned to approve the January 19, 2011 agenda, seconded by Georganne Krause. With no discussion and all approved, the motion was carried.

Old/New Business

1. **Accessibility audit was done on the Public Service Center on December 3, with Ahmed Muhumud, NCR, and Chris Carlson, PSC Building Manager available. Findings include 2nd floor restroom is not accessible, states accessible.**

Action: Martha Hage is editing the 18 page report.

2. **Application for new membership reviewed by the committee and all approved. Applicants present at the meeting were Amanda Tempel and Omar Magana. Connie Moore was unable to attend. Motion to approve new membership applicants by Margot Imdieke Cross, seconded by Ken Rodgers, all approved and motion carried.**

Subcommittee Reports

Executive Committee

- No report.

Access

- **Met with Orchestra Hall and accessibility plans for Peavey Plaza. Orchestra Hall will be temporarily located at the Minneapolis Convention Center during their renovation.**

Finance

- **No report.**

Communication

- **No report.**

Emergency Preparedness

- **At the January 11 Emergency Preparedness meeting, we continued to make progress on a training video for first responders. The February 8 meeting was rescheduled for February 15.**

Strategic Planning

- **Next meeting to be held on February 16 at 3:15 pm.**
- **Strategic plan to be included in the MACOPD website.**
- **James Farstad made the following motion, which was seconded by Margot Imdieke Cross:**

Input the Strategic Plan into a MACOPD (private) website and open the site to the public once it is approved by the full Committee.

Approved by all. No discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Ruth Kildow.

Action Items:

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