

MINUTES	Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.	
Disability Awareness and Accessibility Review Board Meeting	City Hall Culture Collaboration Room 224 W. 9 th Street Sioux Falls, South Dakota or by teleconference at 1-408-418-9388, Access Code 2492-754-4374##	

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Tana Zwart, Sarah Jorgensen, Delores Lipp, Cathleen Zepeda, Morgan Jackson, Carolyn Ly-Donovan, Kati Seymour present. Nicholas Kummer not present.

STAFF PRESENT: Sharla Svennes, Lyndsey Meier, Elise Rasmussen

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Zwart called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Seymour and seconded by Jackson to adopt agenda. Motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Zepeda and seconded by Jorgensen to approve the minutes from September 2021 meeting. Motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Guest Speaker: Mayor Paul TenHaken:** To commemorate National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM), Mayor TenHaken presented a Mayoral Proclamation to the Board. The Proclamation declares October 2021 as National Disability Employment Awareness Month in the City of Sioux Falls in recognition of the varied and valued contributions of people with disabilities in our workforce. Mayor TenHaken spoke with the Board about the continued importance of their work in promoting disability rights and inclusiveness in our City.
- B. **Update from the Marketing, Education, and Public Needs Committee:** Discussed Artability preparations. Jorgensen shared that Country Garden Flowers and Gifts will be sponsoring flowers. Zepeda spoke with the art director of Lifescape who will be getting back to her about sponsoring food. Seymour suggested awarding prizes for different categories such as people’s choice award. The board was in favor of this suggestion, but would like to ensure essential

funding before further leveraging. Seymour volunteered to develop award ceremony plan to present to the board next month. The Board will reconsider presenting awards after hearing back from Lifescape about providing food. Reviewed marketing list. Zepeda advised that Independent Living Choices has committed to sponsoring and Zwart will add organization logo to marketing flyers. Lipp volunteered to reach out to organizations not yet contacted. Zwart will submit event to community calendars. Discussed advertising through Sioux Area Metro's fixed route and paratransit services. Zwart will develop flyers for marketing on transit system. Discussed using a QR code for conveniently accessing the submission forms.

- C. **Update from Transition Plan and Self-Evaluation Committee:** No update at this time.
- D. **Upcoming Board Meetings and Calendar:** The board discussed rescheduling November and December's meetings to accommodate holiday schedules and plans. Motion by Seymour to change the date of November's meeting from November 24th to November 17th and to cancel the December meeting. Motion seconded by Jackson and passed unanimously, 7-0.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None.

REPORT OF ADA COORDINATOR

Svennes discussed the process of completing sidewalk repairs and how the City is reevaluating this procedure as it can be a financial burden for homeowners. Ideally, the City would like to ensure repairs are completed within a 12-month timeframe. Meier informed Board that Pat Herman has been appointed to the DAARB, filling the last vacancy.

OPEN BOARD DISCUSSION

The Board discussed meeting calendar and rescheduling October and November meetings due to holidays. Discussed handicap parking sign campaign and interest in continuing and expanding efforts. Will continue to next month's agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Lipp and seconded by Jorgensen to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

November 17, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

Lyndsey Meier
Human Relations Specialist