

Pueblo and PACOG (Pueblo Area Council Of Governments)
ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Advisory Committee

Agenda

Thursday June 6, 2024

1:00-3:00 pm

Center Toward Self Reliance

901 W 8th St. 81003

Anyone needing accommodations should contact Charles Roy at 719-553-2295 a week before the meeting

Call the meeting to order and the introductions.

Approval of May 5/2/2024 meeting minutes

Guest speakers: Chuck Roy

City report: Chuck Roy (approx. 15 min) Talking about the Union Ave changes, he is also bringing visuals. He will be expanding on the meeting that was in his office on 5-30-2024.

County report: Weston Burrer (approx. 15 min)

Transit:

City lift:

Emergency management: (approx. 15 min)

Canon City report: (approx. 15 min)

Old business: We need to increase our efforts to recruit more individual with differing abilities. We need to follow up with BNSF Railroad to see about making something so that it is easier, and safer both for wheelchairs and walkers. At the last meeting Joshua Johnson said that he knew of someone from BNS&F that he could put us in contact with. We are still working on getting a bus stop closer to CTSR which I think would make it easier to get new, not only consumers, but there would be no doubt about who we are and what we do. I know that there has been some talk of maybe doing a walk/roll audit on the fire station on Bonforte? If so, we can get that scheduled, and get that done.

New business: Before I report on this, I just want to say how much I appreciated being able to be a victim/patient, and I want to thank SRDA for getting me there safely. On May 8th 2024, I participated in a Mass Casual Incident drill that was held at Pueblo airport, the incident that an airplane hitting a bus. Of course, with it being in Pueblo it was very windy and cold, but that did not stop anyone from participating. As soon as I got there, I was given a yellow tag that described, what I as a victim was going through. I was awake and oriented, but my breathing was a little shallow, so I was triaged as a green. Which means that I was not very seriously injured, but I was very well taken care of by all the first responders. Although I was a little disappointed that they did not get me out of my chair, as they would have to do if this was a true MCI; I thought that that was one of the reasons why I was there. With that said I really believe that many things were learned from this drill and it was definitely a success. As soon as all of the victims/patients were transported back to the airport, we were given a debriefing on the drill, I very much appreciated that. Next time that there is a drill we can fix or change things up, that is how we learn and as long as we, everyone who was involved, are giving their all then we can/and will grow from this experience. I was in very capable hands; I would absolutely love to be a victim/patient again.

I have had somethings fall into my lap that I just cannot pass up, so as of June 30th 2024 I am going to take a leave of absence from being co-chair, I will make the meetings if I am able. I have no idea on when I will be able to return. The work that we are doing, and have done is very important to me; I could probably do both, but I want to be able to give the things that I am doing 100% of my time and my energy to. If I am able, I would still like to go on walk/and roll audits and other outings as to where it is very important to have a wheelchair user. I am looking for other wheelchair users to join the committee, they have just not applied yet.

Our next work session is Thursday June 13th 2024. I hope everyone can make it!