

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

Thursday June 06, 2024

1:00-3:00 pm

Center Toward Self-Reliance

901 W. 8th St.

Pueblo. CO 81003

Attendance: Chuck Roy, Todd Berisford, Kristi Roque, Rita Gonzales, Sharon Campbell, Laura Leyba, Tura Cowan, Donald L. Bruestle, Alexis Romero Stewart, Mary Leonard, Chris Krenzel, Estella Maes.

Zoom: Dylan Goodman, Ron Sasaoka.

Absent: Deborah MacIlroy, Bob Long, Tiffany Garcia, and Elizabeth Harmes.

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm and there was no public comment. The May 2024 meeting minutes were approved without amendments.

Guest Speaker: Chuck Roy answered questions about the Union Ave./Main St. renovation project that were brought up at a special meeting with the Committee on Thursday May 30th. He said the crosswalk at mid-block on Union near Papa Jose's restaurant will be removed. Electrical outlets on the light poles will be used during the Frijoles & Chile Festival instead of extension cords being a tripping

hazard for pedestrians. At the bridge by Angelo's Pizzeria, a solar powered crossing beacon will be added for pedestrians.

City Report: Chuck advised to avoid construction project around the northside Walmart for the next 3 weeks.

County Report: No County representative attended in Weston Burrer's absence.

Transit: Chris Kregel, General Manager for CitiLift, said they're short 2 drivers. Tura said she was injured on CitiLift and Ryan, the driver, handled it well. Chris also said they're working on the air conditioning issues with CitiLift buses.

Emergency Management: Ron Sasaoka reported for Joshua Johnson who was absent. He said that Burlington Northern & Santa Fe (BNSF) is checking the railroad crossing by the Center Toward Self-Reliance since Tura has trouble going over it in her wheelchair and there's not another entrance. Ron also said the Health Dept. is working on public outreach through a survey.

Old Business: Tura and Laura attended the Mass Casualty Incident training at Pueblo Memorial Airport. Laura had to leave early, but Tura said she thought the paramedics would practice removing her from her wheelchair, and they didn't. She said it was a learning experience and was grateful for the opportunity.

New Business: Don spoke with library staff about the poor quality podium-mounted microphone and speaker system in the Ryals Room used for the Marisol documentary film. Don also spoke with the County Attorney about the inaccessible venue used for the recent Town Hall meeting hosted by County Commissioner Swearingen. Kristi Roque, Customer Experience Manager, said they're working on the sound system.

Tura will schedule the **Annual Report presentation** to City Council with Alyssa Parga. **Tura** will also contact Carol Cosby to schedule a walk audit for the **Civic Center Park Project**.

Mary will find out who the **DOJ Master** is and report back to the Committee.

Don, Mary, and Tura will work on **recruiting** people to help conduct walk audits.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm. We will vote on the updated bylaws at our work session Thursday June 13th from 1:00-3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Leyba, Chairperson and acting Secretary

Pueblo and PACOG ADA Advisory Committee