

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

Thursday September 05, 2024 1:00-3:00 pm

Center Toward Self-Reliance

901 W. 8th St.

Pueblo. CO 81003

Attendance: Laura Leyba, Tiffany Garcia, Joshua Johnson, Chris Harner, Justin Hiniker, Sharon Campbell, Rita Gonzales, Joseph Treaner, Bob Long, Olivia Leyva, Donald L. Bruestle, Chris Krengel, Chuck Roy, Todd Berisford, Kent Tompkins, and Estella Maes.

Zoom: Ron Sasaoka, Weston Burrer, Anna Jones, Bob Quintana, and Brian McCain.

Absent: Mary Leonard and Tura Cowan.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm and we introduced ourselves.

Public comment: Pueblo citizen Joseph Treaner commented about the lack of sidewalks in our city parks.

Rita made a motion to approve the August 01, 2024 meeting minutes without amendments, Don seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed, and the minutes were approved.

Guest speaker: Tiffany Garcia gave a presentation about a global conference she attended and explained how the DVR (Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Dept. of Labor and Employment) helps people with disabilities, as well as businesses that hire them. Laura

asked how DVR lets people know about them. Tiffany said they do presentations for businesses, but they aren't allowed to advertise. She also said she can do a presentation for the Chambers of Commerce.

City report: Chuck explained to Mr. Treaner how the sidewalks and curb ramps are made ADA accessible every year, as well as new ones are put in. He said he will talk to Steven Meier, City Parks Director, about putting in sidewalks in our parks.

Chuck said the motion sensors in the entrance vestibule at the Pueblo Municipal Justice Center were fixed and signage for the sensors was ordered, although he didn't know if it was posted yet.

Chuck also gave input on why he, the ADA Coordinator, should have voting privileges since our current bylaws state that he is part of the Executive Committee. This will be discussed and voted on at a later date.

County report: Weston said that the County Planning Dept. will move to the former Wells Fargo building soon.

Canon City report: Sharon said that Sonja Baker should be physically able to attend the October meeting and wants to have a cake for her. Josh offered to buy the cake and Sharon will organize this.

Emergency Management: Ron had to leave so Josh filled us in on the bird flu cases, m-pox, and COVID. He also said that an emergency response exercise regarding an active shooter at the Pueblo County Judicial Center was conducted.

Old business: The walk/roll auditors' sub-committee had nothing to report. Don suggested we invite the new State Fair Manager to our

meeting to discuss the fair's 30 year plan for ADA improvements. Laura asked Don to invite them.

New business: More discussion and a vote on whether or not the city ADA Coordinator should have voting privileges will take place at a later date.

Work session: Thursday September 12th 1:00-3:00 pm. Pueblo Dept. of Public Health & Environment presentation (30 minutes) and revised bylaws.

The meeting adjourned at 2:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Leyba, Chairperson/acting Secretary