

Disability Advisory Committee

Hale Center Conference Room

January 31, 2020, 11 am

In attendance: Barry Steinhardt, Susan Ardendell, Mary Twohey (by phone), Larry Franklin, Dale Boggs

City: Terri Kearnes, Greg Rice, Rebecca Schlichter. Absent: Trish Hambridge (unexcused)

Before meeting began Rebecca protested the inclusion of Mary by phone. Dale made reference to ADA accommodations for a disabled person. Rebecca pulled out city rules and stated no where in the rules is this accommodation included. She was concerned that a quorum could not be reached if accommodations were used. Conservation discussed use of phones for sub-committee, etc. Dale suggested clarification from City Attorney on accommodations. Rebecca stated she would find out if rules should be changed to allow accommodations.

Due to diversion no actual call to order occurred.

Minutes:

October, November and December minutes reviewed, Susan asked question regarding Oct. minutes stating "Susan will contact city" on intersection question. Greg responded he called and gave update that inspection had been redone and was awaiting truncated domes.

Introduction - Rebecca Schlichter, New City Clerk

Sunshine: This conversation continued from earlier discussion. Rebecca stated she had just completed clerk workshop and was visiting committees to bring compliance to all committees.

Rebecca raised issue of public notice, Dale complained that too frequently DAC/sub committees were not posted on city calendar.

Dale brought up subject of minutes and asked if it would be possible for the staff person to complete minutes. Offering it would provide consistent minutes, in part due to illness the responsibility was passed around. A lot of conversation regarding rules etc. Dale pointed out other committees used a staff person. More debate, Roberts Rules tossed in, results were no, the committee would be responsible.

A lot of back and forth and scenarios discussed. (Difficult to get too specific but it was heated. When Dale quoted a statement from the mayor, Rebecca stated "I know that's not true." Dale offered to bring video. Much of discussion was left open and not understood. Some task done by this committee fall into collection of info to report to the committee for committee discussion. As no votes are taken or real discussion committee doesn't feel those fall under sunshine. But these are task being done by DAC nationwide and have full support of DOJ.)

Dale offered in conclusion that DOJ has accepted roles for DAC, our committee is attempting to follow those roles. In the big picture only one thing supersedes the ADA and that's public safety. Susan added in that it's like the issue (intersection) she brought up was for public safety.

(Note: as per email on 2/3 it appears the sunshine is to be applied in one of those scenarios, which Greg Rice had agreed was an impossible scenario.)

Larry: His approval is for membership is on the 2-4 consent agenda.

Handbook: Rebecca showed a document she was working on which would be available on completion for committees.

Vacancies: the committee has 4 openings, one name was brought up. Discussion followed, question was asked by Barry about out ability to vote due to this item not being on agenda. Rebecca said it would not be an issue. Dale asked Barry to clarify was his question due to sunshine and not publishing in advance of a vote, Barry confirmed that was his intent. Rebecca again said advance notice is not needed, the records would be adjusted.

Continuing Business:

Discussion of Role of DAC in new housing projects - tabled

Informational Items:

Barry announced that Mary would be resigned as committee secretary, clarified she would remain a member. Barry asked Dale to accept role of committee secretary. Vote taken, unanimous in favor with protest from Dale, Dale accepted.

Barry requested motion to adjourn. Susan motioned, Larry accepted. 12:25 pm.