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Legislation Education and Public Safety

Minutes*

Tuesday March 5, 2019 Meeting, Disabled Services Conference Room C

Members Present: Natalie Alden, Walter Johnson, Karen Prewitt, Barbara Brown, Jose Morales, Dan O'Connor

Disabled Services Staff Present: Kevin McDaniel, Lois Smokes, Kara Tucker, Clinton Hamilton

In Attendance: The Co-Chair called the meeting to order at 1:50 p.m.

Officer Hamilton provided monthly DPEP update, which included 3 Sheriff Watch events and 16 tickets court cases. Karen asked why the ticket number was low. In April we will hold our next DPEP quarterly. Natalie Alden would like for us to look in to the 30 minute drop off statute.

The committee discussed an apartment being sued because it was not ADA compliant. The committee asked what the City was doing to ensure that buildings were accessible prior to construction. Ravalla Town Center being sued for accessibility.

Natalie Alden suggested that the solution may be that the City create municipal ordinances that mirror parts of the building code that require accessible units.

Dan O'Connor suggested that Human Rights may be the best agency to discuss housing issues and accessibility within the home.

Rory Odom asked for an update on Disability Etiquette Training. Kevin McDaniel stated that Sgt. Patterson recently completed her Instructor Techniques Certification and that he would be requesting a copy of the current training offered by JSO so any outline for training would not be duplicated.

Dan O'Connor introduced Alexis Reed with Division of Blind Services who is currently working with the City to identify an APS on Art Museum Drive. Dan O'Connor expressed his concerns about safety in that area and asked that we expedite requests for APS in the area.



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Jose Morales stated that the entire area is populated with agencies that serve citizens with disabilities and community members with disabilities and we need to address accessible paths of travel for citizens in that community. Dan O'Connor stated again that he is concerned for Alexis' safety and it is a true hazard for citizens with vision disabilities.

Kevin McDaniel was asked for his feedback. Kevin stated that community feedback was important and that he believed Traffic Engineering was a good partner and were working diligently on the issue.

Natalie Alden suggested that the area be reviewed as a candidate for a permanent crosswalk due to the traffic and population.

Jose Morales stated that the next Emergency Preparedness Conference will be June 27th. Jose stated that he would like to include active shooters and other topics discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Chair: Rory Odom Co-Chair: Jose Morales
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