

Minutes
City and Borough of Juneau, ADA Committee
Matt McGuan, Chair
Thursday, December 21, 2018, 12:30pm – 1:30pm
Downtown Library

I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Quorum Determination

Mr. McGuan called the meeting to order at 12:35pm. The following people were present:
ADA Committee Members: Ross Douglas, Matthew McGuan, Marianne Mills, and Charlene Steinman
Absent: Allen Hulett and Pam Mueller-Guy
CBJ Staff Representative: Charlie Ford
Guests: Tim Felstead, CBJ staff representing the Juneau Coordinated Transportation Coalition, and Aaron Brakel, Facilities Manager at REACH

II. Agenda Changes

Mr. Felstead was added to the agenda to discuss the development of the Transportation Plan.

III. Public Participation of Non-Agenda Items

None

IV. Approval of Minutes

The November 16, 2017 minutes were approved with no changes.

V. New Business

Letter of Resignation

Mr. Hulett will be submitting a letter of resignation from his seat of the Committee.

Board Openings

The Committee currently has two vacant seats

Development of the Transportation Plan

Mr. Tim Felstead, CBJ staff person and liaison to the Juneau Coordinated Transportation Coalition (JCTC), presented on the development of the Transportation Plan. He explained how the plan was developed and what agencies were contacted in preparation. Service providers such as JYS, SAIL, and REACH were contacted to determine what transportation services are currently provided and any challenges and/or opportunities they see for service in Juneau. Grant application for State and Federal funding consumed a large portion of the process. SAIL, for example, has applied for a new van. Mr. Felstead explained how SAIL provides taxi vouchers for when CARE-A-VAN's are unavailable. SAIL is currently working with local taxi companies to get three wheel chair equipped taxis, which is a goal of the JCTC. Key elements of the study included:

- i. Need for Transit Training: Look at a vehicle sharing program. What are the possibilities for using existing vehicles that are underutilized?
- ii. SAIL is working with taxi companies to acquire wheel chair equipped taxis. There are currently 63 taxis in Juneau and only 3 are wheel chair equipped.
- iii. Is it possible for CBJ to mandate accessible taxis? What are other communities doing?
- iv. Possible incentives for compliance: Permits for locations such as harbors, airports, etc.
- v. Other communities typically have 3% - 10% of the taxi fleets equipped for wheel chairs.

Process: Must go through the City Manager and then to the Assembly. There will need to be discussion of what ADA regulations from transportation require. Ms. Steinman will look into that.

ADA Committee Involvement: Provide a letter of support that will go through the City Manager to the Assembly.

Look at partnering with SEARHC for funding.

Aspects: Enforcement of regulation; funding to buy wheel chair equipped taxis, which have 3 year life span on average.

Companies: Juneau Taxi, Evergreen, and Capital Cab

What is the possibility of applying for Marine Passenger Fee funding?

Aaron explained how REACH developed its transportation plan and funding sources.

VI. Unfinished Business

Deputy City Manager, Mila Cosgrove

Ms. Cosgrove will be rescheduled to the January meeting.

Outreach for ADA Training with David Barton

There was discussion of possible outreach for the ADA Committee to offer information and/or training. Mr. McGuan will contact David Barton, Training Specialist Northwest ADA Center at 206.902.0951 or at dbarton@uw.edu. Brainstorming for possible sponsors included the AIA, engineering organizations, and the Chamber of Commerce.

Downtown Fire Bench

Mr. Ford followed up with Mr. Roger Healy, Director of Engineering and Public Works. Mr. Healy needs more information on what is needed.

VII. Staff Report

None

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20pm.

Next Meetings

January 18, 2018

February 15, 2018

March 15, 2018

April 19, 2018

May 17, 2018

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ADA Resources

<http://www.access-board.gov/adaag/html/adaag.htm>