

Wichita/Sedgwick County Access Advisory Board
Wednesday, July 22nd, 2020
Webex Conference Call System
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Voting Members Present

Call 3 – Michelle Pryor CPRF

Brian Powers	Craig Perbeck	Crissy Magee	Dave Calvert
Dee Nighswonger	Dorsha Kirksey	Dr. David Waldie	Gary Janzen
Lisa Vayda	Michael Fowler	Michelle Pryor	Nancy Duling
Raven Alexander	Rick Rader	Sean Beebe	Tiffany Nickle
Trisha Thomas			

Voting Members Absent

Brian Held	Chris Rea	Clark Stevens	David Pracht
Dr. Elvia Barraza	Ed Koon	Grady Landrum	Jayne Otis
Kate Bergamasco	Randy Roebuck	Ronald Tracy	Steven Walters

City/County Staff Present (Non-Voting Members)

Jane Link	Jay Hinkel	Migwi Karugu	Taben Azad
Tricia Thomas			

I. Welcome, Announcements & Introductions – Brian Powers
Brian opened the meeting by welcoming all in attendance. All in attendance introduced themselves and which organization, city council, or county commissioner they represent.

II. Meeting Minutes
A. July 2020 meeting minutes.
Brian made motion to approve the minutes. Passed unanimously

III. Committee Updates
A. Transit
Dorsha Kirksey: Had a Transit Advisory Board (TAB) meeting on August 18th, went over discussion on Wichita Transit projects which included the environmental review for new multi-model transit center. Regional approval is next and WAMPO will do a regional transit planning. City of Wichita received a \$200k grant from WAMPO to do a transit study. Will use those funds for COVID-planning and micro transit to be incorporated into Wichita transit. A marketing report received, a new veteran program rolled out. Had 515 veterans ride the bus, with an average of 73 a day. There will be a community outreach on multi-model center. 20 rides for \$20 has been extended to September 18. Routes 21A and 202A are free for public use in addition to WSU students and staff riding for free. Next meeting will discuss Q line.

Craig Perbeck: When do the bus passes expire?

Raven Alexander: They don't expire, just ending the promotion of them.

Andrew Crane: Are you going to talk to Oldtown Association about bringing it to old Town for blind/individuals that are disabled?

Raven Alexander: I do not believe at this time that the route will be changing, but is up for discussion at next meeting.

Jay Hinkel: Was Q-Line suspended for COVID?

Raven Alexander: Yes it was. My understanding is the discussion is about what the Q-Line will look like when it is back in service.

B. Building
N/A

C. Ad Hoc
N/A

IV. New Business

A. City ADA Park Locations Upgrades – Migwi Karugu

Migwi Karugu: Almost done with transition plan. We constructed sidewalks for several parks, did accessible parking and ramps. Only facility remaining is McDonald Golf Course. It was supposed to be sold, but that fell through. Now we are executing all ADA upgrades in transition plan. Still have \$100,000 that is allocated every year

Craig Perbeck: Now that is done, we are going to do a survey of all City/County buildings to see if they are up to ADA requirements?

Migwi Karugu: It is a living document, always go back and evaluation what needs to be done. That is why the City allocates \$100k every year

B. Mask Ordinance
Sanford Alexander: Not present

Gary Janzen: He had some concerns that specific businesses and how that is being handled. August 11th, the City Council continued the mask ordinance to September 8th. Concerns with the exceptions with the mask ordinance that businesses have. Individuals are not required to show documentation and this has been the main concern. Anyone with concerns can send correspondence to the City of Wichita.

Jay Hinkel: I recommend a location for people to come if possible, Andrew for example is in the conference room with Gary.

Gary Janzen: I can try to work something out if we know how many it might be for the next meeting.

Dorsha Kirksey: Crissy could we find something at the County?

Crissy Magee: Yes we can.

C. Dining/Shopping Ordinance

Craig Perbeck: Talked to Gary and businesses still need to meet ADA space for pedestrian traffic/lane.

Gary Janzen: City Council approved an Open Area ICT permit to allow businesses to use right of way, sidewalk, some street, off street parking, etc. This is an extension of a permit we have in place. There are 25 businesses in the core area that had a sidewalk permit even prior to this. With COVID, there are cities in the country that took this on to provide more space. If someone is going to use that open space though, they must provide the space for ADA requirements for pedestrian traffic. We have about 10 permits approved with more coming.

V. Old Business
N/A

VI. Public Comments

Gary Janzen: Working with Jane Link on getting AIRA at multiple City and County facilities. We were able to work a good deal with AIRA to try this service as a trial for a year. October 1st is the plan. AIRA also provides services for City and County website. Airport currently has AIRA services through working with Envision.

Andrew Crane: Working on a project for blind individuals with blind dogs. Will go to Kansas legislature.

Craig Perbeck: Where are the drop-in locations for mail in ballots?

Crissy: Currently there is one outside the County Courthouse; they are doing a site study currently. All will be ADA compliant.

VII. Adjourn

The next meeting of the Wichita/Sedgwick County Access Advisory Board is scheduled for Wednesday, September 23rd on a virtual meeting platform.