

Wichita/Sedgwick County Access Advisory Board

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Envision, 610 N. Main St.

10:00-11:30 a.m.

Voting Members Present

Craig Perbeck	Rick Rader
Crissy Magee	Jayne Otis
Lisa Vayda	Raven Alexander
Ron Tracy	Sean Beebe
Susan Ternes	Gary Janzen
Stacy Fuller	Sean Beebe
Chris Rea	Andrew Crane
Susan Ternes	Brian Powers

Voting Members Not Present

Michelle Pryor	Ed Koon
David Pracht	Michael Fowler
Dee Nighswonger	Steven Walters
Dorsha Kirksey	

City/County Staff Present

Paul Leeker	Jennifer Magana
Michael Fessinger	

- I. Welcome, Announcements & Introductions-Brian Powers:**
 - a. Roll call of the meeting attendees
- II. Meeting Minutes:**
 - a. Powers entertained a motion to approve the September 2021 meeting minutes
 - i. Lisa Vayda moved to approve the minutes. Craig Perbeck seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously
- III. Committee Updates:**
 - a. Transit
 - i. No transit update

- b. Building
 - i. No transit update

IV. New Business:

- a. CityGuide Wafinder Presentation
 - i. Two videos from Professor Namboodiri played
 - ii. There were technical difficulties
 - 1. Copies of the video were requested to be sent
 - iii. Powers expressed hope that Professor Namboodiri might be able to attend the next person in meeting
 - iv. Powers noted that this an important app and is important for the WSCAAB to understand
- b. Audible Signal Issues
 - i. Gary Janzen presented on audible issues at cross walk
 - 1. Audible pedestrian signals are not required by ADA
 - a. But, they are encouraged
 - 2. The city tries to implement audible signals at every new traffic signal
 - 3. The city has struggled with implementing them downtown
 - a. The acoustics created by tall buildings make it hard to hear
 - b. Businesses and apartments have opposed them because of noise complaints
 - 4. Generally, the City has continued to expand their presence
 - 5. Envision has provided the City of Wichita assistance on routing issues
 - ii. Powers asked if the audible signals operate 24/7
 - 1. Janzen answered that there a lot of moving parts
 - a. Most of our equipment is a little older
 - b. We have a project on the Douglass Corridor to optimize them
 - c. Many of the current signals are operated on timers
 - d. We are working on updating them to be user operable
 - i. This would address the noise complaints
 - e. This is a fairly expensive upgrade
 - iii. Fuller mentioned that Ray wanted follow up on McLean and Pawnee and 31st and Hillside intersections
 - 1. Janzen does not have that answer now
 - a. But, he will get back to them after speaking with the traffic engineer
 - 2. Have been working on other designs for upgrades
 - a. For example, the original upgrade plan for McLean and Pawnee would cost \$80,000
 - iv. Crane mentioned that the audible signal at 21st and Maize was to quiet. The push-button at 21st and Tyler needed to be upgraded.
 - 1. Janzen agreed to look into the volume question at 21st and Maize
 - a. The volume can typically be adjusted
- c. Transit update (continued)
 - i. Crane wanted an update on the plans on the Multimodal Center

1. Alexander answered that they are still working on the plans
 - a. When the plans are completed they will be brought to the board
- d. Discussion on November and December meetings
 - i. Powers noted that these meetings conflict with holidays in November and December
 - ii. Typically, these meetings are cancelled and the WSCAAB resumes meeting in January
 - iii. Meetings can be held if necessary
 - iv. Vayda moved to cancel the November and December meetings. Crane seconded the motion
 1. The motion carried unanimously.
- e. Future Agenda Items
 - i. Powers requested that members consider items that they would like to bring to the Board's attention
 - ii. Powers commended everyone for bringing items to the Board
 1. That helps advance the needs of the community

V. Old Business:

- a. Ron Tracy asked if the League of Women Voters got an answer to their building question
 - i. Vayda confirmed that they had received the lists
- b. Ron Tracy asked a specific question about the CityGuide Wayfinder app
 - i. Powers answered that Professor Namboodiri might be able to answer these questions
- c. Craig Perbeck addressed accessible restroom facilities at the Stryker Sports Complex. In general, if it is a City/County property that is managed by a private company is there any type of requirement to assess the property in regards to ADA requirement?
 - i. Janzen will work on this. They are getting ready to start some upgrades to the facility and will take this into account. There is probably something that can be done. Janzen will follow-up on it.
- d. Perbeck asked if the Crown Uptown on November 12th was still ongoing
 - i. Janzen confirmed that it was still up and running, as far as he knew
 - ii. Magee confirmed that the event was still scheduled

VI. Other:

- a. Powers wanted to thank everyone for their valuable input. It is valuable to address these concerns and he has been impressed with everyone's commitment to this board.

VII. Public Comment:

- a. No public comment

VIII. Adjournment:

- a. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

