# Wichita/Sedgwick County Access Advisory Board

# Wednesday, April 26, 2023

## **Envision/Zoom**

10:00—11:30 a.m.

## Agenda

#### **Members Present**

Andrew Crane	Brian Powers	Craig Perbeck (z)
Harley Anderson (z)	Jayne Otis	Karen Flateau (z)
Lisa Vayda (z)	Raven Alexander (z)	Ron Tracy
Sean Beebe (z)	Shelley Herrington (z)	Stacey Fuller (z)
Susie Ternes (z)	Tom Page (z)	Shea Hansen (z)
Jay Hinkel (z)		

### **City/County Staff Present**

Zoe Sisco Katherine Rodriguez	
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- I. Welcome, Announcements & Introductions Brian Powers
  - a. Roll Call of the Meeting Attendees
- II. Meeting Minutes
  - **a.** February 2023 meeting minutes of the Wichita/Sedgwick County Access Advisory Board were approved.
  - **b.** March 2023 meeting minutes of the Wichita/Sedgwick County Access Advisory Board were approved.
- III. Committee Updates
  - a. Towne East Mall Access
    - i. No Official Update to present to board
      - 1. Scheels opening has been pushed back to early Summer 2023
      - 2. City staff continuing to work on bus access to Towne East Mall.
  - b. Transportation Committee
    - i. Craig Perbeck to fill Dorsha Kirksey seat.
    - ii. Multi-modal Center is in the works. They have reached the 60% completion and will be working to schedule a presentation with WSCAAB.
    - iii. The Q-Line has confirmed that a summer service will be offered to the museum district beginning on May 27.
    - iv. Ridership is continuing to increase above pre-COVID numbers.
  - c. Intrust Bank Arena
    - i. AJ Boleski and Shannon Duncan from Intrust Bank Arena were present to give updates and solicit feedback.

- AJ mentioned that Intrust Bank Arena is committed to attending WSCAAB meetings quarterly, even if there is no formal update to be given.
- 2. He mentioned that they have had more than 80,000 visitors in the last 8 weeks for various events.
- 3. Andrew Crane asked for further assurance that Intrust Bank Arena had the necessary space available for ADA compliance.
  - a. AJ noted that they have a variety of seating options available that are ADA compliant.
- 4. Andrew also asked about the accessibility features of the IBA website.
  - a. Per the marketing team, the website is designed by a local company.
  - b. The site was built to allow for accessibility devices such as screen readers. The site was also built provide improved readability by using contrast, appropriate fonts, and various navigation tools.
  - c. AJ also mentioned that their contact for the website design changes every 5 years or so, and when the current contract is up, they will look for a company that continues to support these features.

### IV. New Business

- a. Bylaws
  - i. Zoe discussed the Section III, Item F in the bylaws
    - "Any member of the Board who has been absent from three consecutive meetings without notifying the Board of the absence, shall be deemed to have resigned. The Chairperson of the board shall provide written notice to the Board member and to the appointing authority for the Board member. The appointing authority, and if applicable, the organization the member represents, shall designate or appoint another person to fill the remainder of the term of the position."
  - ii. Zoe noted that after a discussion with the Sedgwick County Counselors office it was decided that this is not an allowed function of the board. Any board appointments or resignations need to come before the Board of County Commissioners, the Wichita City Council, or the appointing authority.
  - iii. The board agreed that the bylaws needed to be looked at, and that we should consult legal advice from City and County legal staff.

#### V. Old Business

- a. 911 Text Communications
  - i. Kat mentioned that the Text system had received several updates, and show now be working correctly.
  - ii. The board discussed the functionality of the system and whether this was a system error or a user error.
    - 1. It was mentioned that it was system error, no one person was at fault, and that the system error has been correct.
  - iii. It was asked if anyone from the county had reached out the impacted individual The Commission and the 911 coordinating council representative have reached out.
- VI. Other
  - a. None
- VII. Public Comment
  - a. None
- VIII. Announcements
  - a. Kansas House Accessibility Bill
    - Andrew mentioned that there was a bill in the Kansas State House, HB2423 discussing the regulations regarding ADA Accessibility within the state of Kansas.
      - 1. Lisa Vayda shared that this bill would broaden the protection of businesses against ADA-related lawsuits.
      - 2. The board discussed the implications of HB2423.
  - IX. Adjournment
    - a. 10:59a