

Wichita/Sedgwick County Access Advisory Board

Wednesday, June 25th, 2025

Envision/Zoom

10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

Agenda

Members Present

IN-PERSON	ZOOM
Andrew Crane	Mia Ocean
Tom Page	Lisa Vayda
John Crane	Karen Flateau
Jayne Otis	Crissy Magee
Raven Alexander	Shea Hanson
Jim Underwood	Harley Anderson
Jill Kerschen	Susan (Susie) Ternes
Lloyd Hanna	Virginia Zapote
	Emily Jensen
	Ryan Heikes

City/County Staff Present

Travis Babcock

- I. Welcome, Announcements & Introductions – Mia Ocean
 - a. **Mia Ocean** – welcomed every and expressed excitement to be running first meeting as chair
- II. Call of the Meeting Attendees – A quorum was present.
- III. Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve April 2025 minutes made by Lloyd hanna; seconded by John Crane. **Passed – 17 with 1 abstention.**
- IV. Public Comment

No Public Comment was given.
- V. Monthly Updates
 - a. **ADA Staff Updates** – Virginia Zapote.

Working directly with the person that runs the scooter program to prevent the scooters being left in a way that blocks the sidewalks. Suggestion was made to charge the credit card of the last person to ride the scooter. These funds could then be used to improve accessibility.

Jayne Otis asked if there is official documentation that the City of Wichita has an ADA department. Virginia Zapote said they do and that if anyone has questions about what the City of Wichita does related to ADA they can email or call them.

b. Transportation Committee – Raven Alexander.

Transit Advisory Board meeting was very short and not a lot to report. Working to get a supplemental agreement signed with a consultant to begin working on a network redesign. Focused on tackling the whole issue instead of a piecemeal approach.

With Craig not being on the Access Advisory Board the board needs to elect a new representative. Transportation Committee report should come from the Transit Advisory Board instead of Raven.

Consultants will take inventory of all of the bus stops in Wichita. There are over 1800 stops, and the exact number will be taken in the inventory report as well as a report of the most used stops.

Weekly report about road and sidewalk closures will be sent to the group weekly.

c. WSCAAB Letter to the City and County – Lisa Vayda.

Board members did not send in edits so most edits were from the board discussion last meeting. Some edits still need to be made before the letter is sent out.

- i. Motion to approve the letter with the mentioned edits made by John Crane; seconded by Tom Page. Passed – 16 with 2 abstentions.**
- ii. Motion to give the chair discretion in coordinating dissemination of the letter by Tom Page; seconded by Andrew Crane. Passed – 16 with 2 abstentions.**

Discussion between the Chair and the board took place to determine strategy for dissemination with the members determining a meeting with County and City

leadership, presentation of the letter at City and County meetings, and dissemination to multiple news sources was the chosen way forward with disseminating the letter.

d. ADA Proclamation – Tom Page.

- i. Motion to approve the board seeking an ADA proclamation to recognize its anniversary made by Tom Page; seconded by Jim Underwood. **Passed unanimously by voice vote.**

VI. New Business

a. Maintenance Cycle of “Notice Indicators” for Downtown Lights – Lloyd Hanna

Lloyd Hanna asked if there is a maintenance schedule for the notice indicators for downtown lights in Wichita. Virginia Zapote answered that there is a maintenance schedule.

Discussion took place about notice indicators, staffing shortages, and the need for more legal compliance.

VII. Announcements

- a.** The board discussed possibly having someone from the Wichita Airport Authority or Amtrak at the next meeting.
- b.** Paid parking meters go into effect soon.
- c.** The board discussed having someone come in to discuss the paid parking coming into effect.
- d.** Andrew Crane is getting their third guide dog and invited everyone to the celebration.
- e.** Multiple members will be attending the D5 district advisory board and discussing some of the issues addressed at the board meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.