

Mayor's Council on Disability Issues February 15, 2019 Retreat/Workshop

I. Meeting was called to order at 1:10 pm.

II. Roll Call:

Present – Allan, Austin, Callen, Cook, Brewer, Brookshire, Byrne, Davidson, Houston, Huang, Jones, Neely, Orr, Petty, Plyer, Sawhney, Secrest, Shilling, Shipley Upton, VanDyke

Absent – Loebner

Public Forum Guests – none

III. Approval of January Minutes: Approved by Brewer and seconded by Brookshire. Motion carried.

IV. ADA Cook Comments:

Cook has put in a budget request for the upcoming year a full time position so that Misha will be the new staff liaison for CODI.

V. Committee Meetings:

Transportation Committee - Secrest was appointed the Chair of the transportation committee and VanDyke as the secretary. A standing meeting has been set for the Monday before the CODI meeting at DRC.

By-laws Committee – Houston appointed as Chair and Shilling as secretary. The committee will be

looking at the nomination process and attendance this year.

Nominating Committee – Jones appointed as Chair and Brookshire as secretary. The committee will be putting metrics together and working on qualifications of the nominee. There will be three vacancies available this year. The Vice Chair will also be rolling off so that office is open for nominees. Nominations should be sent to Misha.

VI. Strategic Plan Review/Discussion (Action Groups 15-30 minutes)

Group 1 Disability Friendly City Survey:

The following steps are in place to provide information to the different city departments utilizing their request when possible:

1a. Review Survey for validity and turn suggestions from the meeting with the Mayor into questions.

b. March 6th – meeting scheduled to discuss the update

c. Provide discriminatory statements to CODI leadership

2. Develop strategies to who gets the reports in each department and what the report will include

3. analyze the data and customize the reports

4. Send out survey information for email blast, Facebook, Mayor's newsletter and websites to advertise the results of the survey

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5. How the data from the survey impacted city projects and initiatives

Group 2 Community Engagement:

The goals for Community Engagement are as follows:

1. Develop CODI brochure by June and present it
2. Schedule a CODI meeting away from the City County Building
3. By July 1st, have 1,000 Facebook likes
4. Ask members to bring a friend at least twice a year to a CODI meeting
5. Collaborate with Disability Friendly Survey committee to get information out.

Group 3 Livability and Visitability:

The following steps are in place to achieve the goals of the committee:

1. Write an article for the CODI website defining livability and visitability
2. This information should also appear as a FAQ segment and on the CODI brochure
3. Reach out to businesses/restaurants to seek out tables that are wheelchair accessible
4. Work with Visit Knoxville and determine what kind of information they are giving out about visitability

VII. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 3:57 pm

Respectfully submitted by Melissa VanDyke,
secretary.