

Mayor's Council on Disability Issues  
November 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes

I. Meeting was called to order at 4:10 pm to achieve quorum.

II. Present: Allan, Brewer, Byrne, Callen, Cook, Davidson, Houston, Huang, Mull, Orr, Rogers, Secrest, Upton, VanDyke

Absent: Brookshire, Loebner, Neely, Parr, Petty, Plyler, Sawhney, Shilling, Shipley

Public Forum Guests: Owen Tharp, with KAEC

III. Approval of November meeting minutes: Motion by Houston, Upton seconded, motion carried.

IV. CODI Committee Reports

Transportation: Will meet Monday, November 18. Team will postpone discussion on scooters until January.

Bylaws: No report – law office sent additional comments on bylaws changes.

Membership: Next CODI Meeting will be held at Inskip Rec Center at 4:00 pm. Membership and Livability Committees will meet at 3:00 pm at the same location.

V. Strategic Plan Reports:

1. Community Engagement: Nothing new to report other than report including in October minutes.

2. Disability-Friendly Survey: Discussion ensued regarding general CODI participation in the dissemination of the survey. Discussed the end date for the survey, if it is serving its original purpose, etc. Cook recommended we analyze the results to present day but wait until the new mayor comes to office to determine the plan with the survey moving forward.

3. Livability: Huang provided update regarding Silver Sneakers program, and discussed additional option for those gyms not accepting Silver Sneakers but that accept Renew Active.

## VI. Bylaws Review

1. Byrne reviewed changes to bylaws to sections 4.09, 5.02, and 5.08. Motion by Upton, seconded by Brewer, motion carried.

## VII. New Business

1. Byrne drew attention to the meeting dates and times for future meetings, in addition to the change of location.
2. Cook discussed the meeting on Tuesday from 3:00 – 7:00 in the Small Assembly Room to discuss the affordable housing budget.
3. Cook mentioned the John T. O’Conner center has been renovated and to take note of the changes when CODI meets off-site in the future.
4. Cook mentioned the ADA Anniversary planning committee meeting on Monday, 11/18/19 at dRC.
5. Houston discussed Mayor Rogero speaking at the Inclusive Knoxville council. Houston is the advisory council chair, and would like a member of CODI to participate on that council.
6. Secrest discussed the retirement of the Office of Aging’s director Susan Long. Dottie Lyvers is the new ED.

CODI large-group meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Submitted by Burke Brewer