

**Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities (ACPD)
February 7th, 2023 – 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Microsoft Teams Remote Meeting**

MINUTES

Welcome and Opening Comments

Committee Chair Earl Lee called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

Virtual Protocol/Roll Call

Gabe Christie, RTD's ADA Manager, reminded the committee of the virtual meeting protocols.

In Attendance:

1. Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities:
Aaron Pasterz, Earl Lee, Lynn Edmonds, Brenda Carney, Timothy DeGiau, Aly DeWillis-Marcano
2. RTD Board Members:
Director Kate Williams
3. RTD Staff:
Gabe Christie; Carl Greem; Dave Jensen; Erin Vallejos; Jyostna Vishwakarma, Marta Sipeki, Michelle Murz-Hutchinson, Sean Moran

Safety Moment

Gabe Christie reminded the attendees of proper heart care and methods to reduce heart disease for cardiac care month.

Public Comment Period

No public comment.

Updates for ACPD Committee:

- **Nine Mile Elevator Outage**
 - a. Sean Moran, Manager of Contracted Facilities, provided an update on the status of the elevators at Nine Mile Station. Sean stated that both elevators are out of service due to a water line break, connected to the station, which flooded the elevator shafts. The plan for repair is to excavate and then cap the water line to prevent additional water in the shaft. After that point the repairs will be identified and a plan for improvements made.

Aly DeWillis-Marcano asked Sean if the Elevators were the sole responsibility of RTD, which Sean confirmed. Aly DeWillis-Marcano followed up with a question regarding the protocol for signage at the location, stated that she had experienced problems with the elevators previously. Sean stated that signage was ordered from the RTD sign shop and would be strategically placed in the coming days. Gabe Christie stated that rider alerts and service alerts are often send out to customers. Earl Lee stated that he would like to see additional information and signage posted as well as audio messaging to let customers know of the service interruption.

Dave Jensen stated that operators are to inform customers of an outage, specifically customers using mobility devices to let them know of the outages.

- **16th Street Mall Pavers**

- **ACPD Charter Changes**

- **ACPD Membership Recruitment**

a. ACPD Member Recruitment – Gabe Christie, ADA Manager (5 minutes)

Gabe Christie, RTD ADA Manager, stated that ACPD member recruitment is ongoing and on March 31 the application will be closed. Gabe Christie stated that he intends to have new ACPD members on board for the May meeting.

1. APAC Update

Tex Elam, representative of the Access-a-Ride Paratransit Advisory Committee, delivered a report. The MTM paratransit eligibility assessment group with which RTD has partnered is now in operation, they are ready to go into full service. they had an experimental phase where they conducted mock assessments and further developed the process. There has been no additional information regarding a second assessment center in Boulder. The Uber contract has moved into the second phase increasing from 7 to 9 areas divided by zip codes, with no date limit for and increased to more zip codes. New vehicle Testing is going to begin soon, contractors have indicated they have a willingness to improve.

Closing Comments

- Brent Belisle asked Jaime Lewis to speak about the next year of his term. Jamie Lewis responded and stated that he is okay to serve until September 2022.

Adjourned at 3:30 pm – Jaime Lewis