

**NOTICE OF MEETING
REGULAR MEETING**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**
- 4. RECONSIDERATION**
- 5. SYNOPSIS APPROVAL**
- 6. VISITORS**
- 7. PENDING BUSINESS**
 - A. ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan
 - a. Report on David Barton's visit
 - b. Building Survey Update
 - c. Tentative Schedule for Transition Plan
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Resolution 17-075(A), , A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Committing to Continual Work Towards Becoming a City that is Universally Accessible to All. Lewis.
- 9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**
- 10. COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE**
- 11. COMMENTS OF CITY STAFF**
- 12. COMMENTS OF THE COMMITTEE**
- 13. ADJOURNMENT NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED for
OCTOBER 12, 2017** in the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Ave, Homer, Alaska.



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Memorandum

TO: ADA Compliance Committee

FROM: Melissa Jacobsen, MMC, City Clerk, ADA Coordinator

DATE: September 12, 2017

SUBJECT: North West ADA Visit

During David's visit August 15-17, Dan Gardner and I spent a fair amount of time walking through some of the City's facilities doing mini-surveys and getting answers to some of the questions that came up during the survey work the committee did prior to his visit. David Lewis from the Independent Living Center joined us at the Harbor and the Police Station.

We started at the Harbor at the area around ramp 5 at the corner of Spit Road and Freight Dock Road. We looked at the bathroom, addressed the parking situation at the ramp, and measured the pathway and the markers that are placed near the accesses to the ramps. While there are spaces marked as HC parking by the ramp entrance, technically because it's all loose gravel, it really isn't accessible. David pointed out that relocating the dumpster, paving a section for parking and creating a surface that accesses the paved trail would create a usable path of travel for the ramp and also the bathrooms.

David spent some time with the Harbormaster talking about accessibility in and around the harbor. He said they had a good discussion and the Harbormaster has a good handle on accessibility. He also surveyed the Harbormaster's office and found one discrepancy. He also visited the fishing hole and didn't realize the fishing area that was there. I'm looking forward to getting his report and sharing with the group.

We went to the Police station. That went fairly quickly because it's very obvious nothing is accessible. It was built in the mid 80's before the ADA went into effect, but it's been out of compliance far too long.

We also visited the Animal Shelter, Library, City Hall, Karen Hornaday Park, the RV dump station at the spit and in town, and the bathroom by the fire station.



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We've completed the surveys for

- Airport
- City Hall
- Library
- Animal Shelter
- Harbormaster's Office
- Most of the Public Restrooms

The remaining buildings we can work on include:

- HERC Gym
- Public Works
- A few of the Public Restrooms

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

Lewis

RESOLUTION 17-075(A)

A RESOLUTION OF THE HOMER CITY COUNCIL COMMITTING TO
CONTINUING TO WORK TOWARDS BECOMING A CITY THAT IS
UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE TO ALL

WHEREAS, The population of Homer, Alaska and the United States is growing older; and

WHEREAS, This aging population has the most disposable income of all age groups; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer has made significant progress in working towards becoming a City that is Universally Accessible to All by establishing the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance Committee via Resolution 16-057; and

WHEREAS, The ADA Committee is tasked with developing a transition plan and establishing an ADA grievance procedure as outlined in Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS, Council appropriated \$25,000 in the 2017 budget to help the committee on the first step of developing a transition plan, a self-evaluation on how all City facilities and programing can improve accessibility; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer's Departments, Commissions and Committees are committed to improving accessibly of City facilitating and programing to work towards making the City Universally Accessible to All; and

WHEREAS, The City should continue to work towards making Homer a city that accommodates and welcomes individuals who are over the age of 65 as well as those who experience a disability to live in or visit Homer

WHEREAS, Homer is in competition with coastal towns in southcentral Alaska for Tourism and could increase our number of visitors and population by advertising Homer as Universally Accessible; and

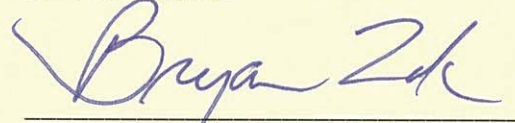
WHEREAS, The Homer Chamber of Commerce has an important role to play in making businesses more accessible and is encouraged to work towards helping their members with accessibility awareness and improvements.

42 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the City of Homer will continue to work towards
43 becoming a City that is universally accessible to all.

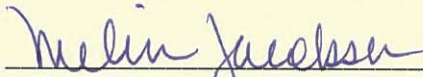
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45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the ADA committee will review the draft Comprehensive
46 Plan and make suggestions as to how to prioritize accessibility in our most important planning
47 document.

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49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the City of Homer will explore joining the World Health
50 Organizations Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities.

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53 CITY OF HOMER

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57 BRYAN ZAK, MAYOR

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59 ATTEST:

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63 MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

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66 Fiscal Note: N/A

