Session 19-01 a Regular Meeting of the ADA Compliance Committee was called to order by Acting Chair Dally at 4:00 p.m. on January 10, 2019 at the City Hall Conference Room located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

PRESENT: LINDA MUNNS (via teleconference), DONNA ADERHOLD, TESS DALLY, AND JOYANNA

GEISLER

ABSENT: PAM VAN HOOZER

STAFF: MELISSA JACOBSEN, CITY CLERK

RACHEL TUSSEY, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by consensus of the Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

RECONSIDERATION

SYNOPSIS APPROVAL

A. December 6, 2018 Meeting Synopsis

The meeting synopsis was approved by consensus of the Committee.

VISITORS

A. Pat McNary, Project Manager – ADA Compliance Features in New HPD Building

Acting Chair Dally introduced Pat McNary, Project Manager for the new Police Station. Mr. McNary provided the committee to-date copies of the 35% design plan for the station. He explained is what ways the building is ADA compliant, what code the designers are following, and which areas are public and/or private.

The committee inquired into various aspects of the design, such as the counter height at the front window, if there will be barriers in the visitor rooms, areas intended for public, employees, and prisoners, and the responsibilities of the architect/contractor/project manager. Mr. McNary stated that once the next design phase comes out, about 65%, there will be more interior elevation details to better display ADA compliance. There was brief discussion on those details and the committee's desire to receive copies of that design phase once it's available.

The committee thanked Mr. McNary for his time.

B. Marie McCarty, Kachemak Heritage Land Trust & Tela Bacher, Independent Living Center – Poopdeck Trail Project Update

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Marie McCarty, Kachemak Heritage Land Trust, introduced herself to the committee and provided an update on their Poopdeck Trail Project. She reviewed where the funding for the project is at, what the tentative trail design looks like/where it's located, and their overall reason for needing ADA Compliance Committee feedback on how it can be an "all persons" trail.

The committee and visitors discussed various ideas of how the trail could accommodate persons with disabilities, design/components of the trail, and which other community organizations/members could assist the Heritage Land Trust on this project.

Ms. McCarty and Ms. Bacher invited the committee to come and walk the area and reiterated the positive aspects of how the project brings multiple groups together.

PENDING BUSINESS

A. ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan Update

Deputy City Clerk Tussey provided a brief recap on what the committee had decided on at the last meeting, what the current status is on the plan, and asked the committee what kind of timeline they would like to see. Discussion ensued on each committee member's progress on gathering additional information, specifically the following:

- Input on the transition plan layout; incorporating suggestions into the plan
- Waiting for call-backs from Norma Lucero, ADOT Civil Rights Office, and Northwest ADA Center for additional information
- Revisions to existing policies to include ADA compliance rules, such as at the Port and Harbor
- Further estimates on time/costs from Public Works Staff

The committee agreed to try and gather all this information by the February meeting to submit to Ms. Tussey. There was scheduling conflict concerns for the February meeting, and the need to reschedule to February 7, 2019 at 3:30 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Committee Member Geisler provided a verbal report on the end result of a Human Rights Commission hearing in regards to a complaint from three years ago on Kenai Peninsula Borough voting. The final recommendation was that a stakeholders group be formed to look into making voting more accessible, and that Ms. Geisler was recommended to be on that committee.

There was discussion on how a council member will also have to serve on that committee, borough voting accessibility, and current voting/complaint policies and the need for updated equipment.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

COMMENTS OF STAFF

COMMENTS OF THE COMMITTEE

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting adjourned at 5:14 p.m. Th next regular meeting is scheduled for February 7 at 3:30 p.m. at the City Hall Conference Room locate at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.
RACHEL TUSSEY, DEPUTY CITY CLERK I
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