A.D.A Compliance Meeting Synopsis June 6^{th} 2016

Regarding pending business

A. Self evaluation and transition plan update

David B. from Anchorage stated that he would provide information and cost for a third party evaluation.

Melissa stated she had emailed him with questions and was waiting for answers.

July 1st is the deadline for the (small projects) trust grant application.

Melissa provided more information regarding the grant and intends to contact The Center.

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We discussed the Kachemak Drive crosswalk and were pleased to find that it had been painted.

Continuing with improvement without much difficulty or expense.

The Fishing Hole on the Spit was assessed by Rick and Tess and continues to not be safe or accessible for fishing.

Another concern is that the A.D.A area lacks signage.

Rick brought to our attention volunteers who attempted to provide wheel chair accessibility at Bishops Beach, but were told they could not.

Rick pointed out that he has been approached by 30 volunteers from a local church that are eager to provide accessibility to Parks in Homer.

Bishops Beach Park does not have a wheel chair accessible picnic table, there is not an accessible trail to the pavilion, beach, Islands and Oceans Center.

The A.D.A committee discussed choosing one park area to concentrate on accessibility.

More discussion of the July 1st grant and Melissa stated she would talk to Katy.

Tess suggested that the A.D.A Committee and the Parks committee work together. Tess also suggested that the A.D.A Committee talked to the Trail Project about removing the large boulder on Charles Way to increase accessibility.

The committee discussed accessible boating and lack of accessibility within the harbor.

We had further discussion regarding sidewalks. Jackie and Melissa intend to incorporate this into the transition plan. A conversation has been initiated.

It has been noted there is a lack of HP Parking at Karen Hornaday. Also noted camping is not accessible. An affordable and efficient solution may be to make trails accessible.

The City plans to build a new police station. The committee would like to note the importance of accessibility in this building.

The committee understands that a new City reaction building S.P.A.R.C is being built. TO be completed in September and should be assessed for accessibility.

Melissa suggested that we contact Anders Gustavson and Daniel Zatz.

Rick discussed and outdoor classroom provided by the Homer Soil and Water District that is a trail within the City limits, although this trail is not accessible.

10. Comments from the audience: No audience was present

11. Comments of the City Staff:

Melissa Jacobs A.D.A Coordinator discussed her goals and interests of becoming a certified A.D.A Coordinator. The rest of the committee was very proud of Melissa and encouraged her.

12. Comments of the Committee

A.D.A Vote

Rick was proud to speak about the accessible vote. The law passed in 2014, although accessible voting machines have not been available in Alaska. Thanks to Rick more people with disabilities will be able to vote independently.

Adjourn.