MINUTES

Wednesday, July 23, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Disability Awareness and Accessibility Review Board Meeting

City Hall Attorney's Conference Room, 224 W. 9th Street Sioux Falls, South Dakota or by teleconference at 1-408-418-9388, Access Code 1872 42 1266##



| Members | Present | Members | Present | Staff | Present |
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| Tana Zwart, Chair | х | Cathleen Zepeda | х | Amber Mulder | х |
| Sarah Jorgensen, Vice Chair | х | Mychelle Garrigan | | Lyndsey Meier | х |
| Josh Mueller, Secretary | х | Jamie Reindl | | | |
| Patricia Herman | х | Michele Snyders | х | | |

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Zwart called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

M/S/C by Snyders, Mueller to adopt the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S/C by Herman, Jorgensen to approve minutes from the June 25, 2025 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS OR PENDING ISSUES BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD

- A. Report of Committees:
 - a. Marketing, Education, and Public Needs (Jorgensen, Zwart, Zepeda)
 - i. No update.
 - b. Community Outreach (Reindl, Garrigan, Zwart, Herman)
 - i. ADA 35 Festival this weekend, 7/26 at the Levitt. Committees are well prepared, and executive committee is scheduled to arrive at the venue at 2:30pm. Levitt still needs additional volunteers to serve as greeters so please pass along sign-up to anyone you may know that would be interested. We will be holding an official meeting that day so everyone will meet at the information booth at 2:30pm.
 - ii. Crip Camp showing at the State Theatre tonight and Lunch and Learn Panel at Startup SF on 7/25.
 - c. Highlighting Accessibility (Reindl, Mueller, Snyders)
 - i. No update.

PUBLIC INPUT

Amber Finnesand attended the meeting and introduced herself and shared she has applied to join the board.

Board members shared public feedback they have received from groups and individuals about the inaccessibility of Jacobsen Plaza. The feedback from the disability community has been negative, stating mainly that the park is not nearly accessible as advertised and as they had hoped. Most of the

equipment is climbing and they suggested changing the saucer swings to accessible swings. Overall, they have received disappointing feedback about the facility.

Herman shared information on the upcoming Health Connect Festival being held at the Sioux Falls Arena on September 27th.

Herman also spoke about the reconstruction of Sertoma Park as they have been meeting with potential contractors and intend on consulting with the disability community to ensure accessibility.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Snyders and seconded by Zepeda to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

August 27, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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