

Athens City Commission on Disabilities
Accessibility and Advocacy Committee Meeting
April 14, 2023, City Bdg, first floor Conference Room, 12:00 – 1:00pm

Committee members may request accommodations due to a disability, including zoom access, by contacting Dianne or Ally in advance.

Agenda

Call to Order

Establish Quorum

Approval of March Minutes

Guests from EPW (Engineering and Public Works) - City engineers Saleh Eldabaja and Jessica Adine

Review project updates for:

- i. Washington and State Streets, Court and Union.
 - How are they incorporating our previous recommendations in the design? Could they send a link beforehand to look in advance. Who is the outside consultant doing streetscape design?
- ii. Union Street projects – any changes or update?
- iii. 682 and Union project proposal-- where will pedestrian connections be? Any information on Shared use path federal grant to connect to Morrison Elementary School?
- iv. Any update/progress on these items we brought us last time?
 - Stimson parking/Palmer near Bowling Alley
 - Strategy for incorporating business access into project planning
- v. Plan for accessible routes and signage during construction
- vi. Are there other upcoming projects we should know about?
- vii. Introduce Tracking Document (Google Doc using Commission gmail address, confirm who needs access)

Walk, Talk, and Roll (Dianne and Ally)

Tentative based on previous discussions – details need to be confirmed:

- o Friday, June 9, 11:30 – 1:00 pm
- o Starting Location: Passion Works
- o Route – Around Passion Works to College Street, up and down Washington, continue down College Street
- o Ending Location: Howard Hall Park (corner of College and Union) – chairs, tent, podium, microphones; Rain location – WOUB TV studio

- Based on technical difficulties last year, short video prepared in advance in lieu of broadcasting live?
- Joe B to create flyer (Thanks Joe!)
- Food
- Speakers
- ASL interpreters
- Invite guests to attend
- When details are confirmed, pass on information to Outreach and Communications Committee – media, fb, etc.

Business Accessibility Campaign (Annah and Davey)

Announcements

April 17, 7:00 pm - City Council Meeting vote to “accept” Pedestrian Accessibility Plan

Adjourn