

CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ACCESS CHECKLIST COMMITTEE

Teleconference Meeting Minutes
March 23, 2022

1. Call to Order

Chair Brian Holloway welcomed everyone and called the teleconference meeting of the Checklist Committee of the California Commission on Disability Access (CCDA) to order at 1:30 p.m.

Staff Member Barsanti reviewed the meeting protocols.

Roll Call

Staff Member Barsanti called the roll and confirmed the presence of a quorum.

Commissioners Present:

Brian Holloway, Chair
Drake Dillard

Committee Members Present:

Mark Christian, American Institute of Architects California
Brandon Estes, California Building Standards Commission
Ike E. Nnaji, Ph.D., Disability Access Specialists, Inc.; Certified Access Specialist (CASp)
Bill Zellmer, AIA, CASp, Sutter Health

Committee Members Absent:

Mehdi Shadyab, Senior Structural Engineer, City of San Diego; Certified Access Specialist (CASp)

Other Commissioners Present:

Brian Jones, Senator, represented by Emily Miller

Staff Present:

Kamran Qazi, Legal Counsel
Adam Barsanti, Associate Governmental Program Analyst
Theresa Brown, Data and Research Analyst
Stephanie Groce, Disability Access Technician
Phil McPhaul, Operations Manager
Abigail Ridge, Administrative and Legislative Analyst

Also Present:

John James, City of South Lake Tahoe
Sharlene Ornelas
Corrina Roy, California Department of General Services (DGS)

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Ron Tov, Tov Architectural Consulting
Alejandra Warner, City of San Diego

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Wednesday, September 29, 2021) – Action

Motion: Commissioner Dillard moved to approve the September 29, 2021, California Commission on Disability Access Checklist Committee Meeting Minutes as presented. Chair Holloway seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Comments from the Public on Issues Not on This Agenda

Sharlene Ornelas stated the description of what a service dog is also needs to include what a service dog is not and what is not a service dog.

Chair Holloway asked staff to include in the next meeting agenda the legal definitions of what is and is not a service dog and the proper procedure for businesses to deal with non-service dogs.

Action Items

- Staff is to include in the next meeting agenda the legal definitions of what is and is not a service dog and the proper procedure for businesses to deal with non-service dogs.

4. Committee Announcement: Passing of Robert Planthold

Staff Member McPhaul announced the passing of Accessible Parking Campaign member and disability rights advocate Robert Planthold. He shared memories and gratitude for Mr. Planthold's work and accomplishments for disability access. He stated the CCDA will greatly miss Mr. Planthold.

5. Legislative Bill Tracking – Update and Discussion

Corrina Roy, Legislative Consultant, Office of Administrative Affairs, DGS, summarized the CCDA Legislative Status Report on the bills staff is tracking, which was included in the meeting materials as follows:

a. Assembly Bill 1604: The Upward Mobility Act of 2022: Boards and Commissions: Civil Service: Examinations: Classifications

This bill has passed the first Policy Committee and is currently awaiting a hearing in Assembly Appropriations.

b. Assembly Bill 1733: State Bodies: Open Meetings

This bill has been double referred to the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee and the Business and Professions Committee. No hearing has yet been set.

c. Assembly Bill 1795: Open Meetings: Remote Participation

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This bill has been referred to the Governmental Organization Committee. No hearing has yet been set

d. Assembly Bill 2164: Disability Access: Funding

This bill is awaiting hearing in Assembly Appropriations.

e. Assembly Bill 2962: (Committee on Judiciary) Disability Access: Construction-Related Accessibility Claims

This bill has been referred to the Assembly Judiciary Committee. No hearing has yet been set.

f. Assembly Bill 2917: State Law: Disability Access

This bill has been referred to the Assembly Judiciary Committee. No hearing has yet been set.

Discussion

Chair Holloway referred to AB 2164 and asked what this fee is titled on building permits.

Ms. Roy stated the fee is related to Certified Access Specialists (CASps) and noted that local jurisdictions can title it differently. Also, the fees are not necessarily always on a building permit but can also be placed on a business permit.

Commissioner Dillard asked about the amount of the fee and what it is based on, such as square footage.

Ms. Roy stated the fee is the set dollar amount of \$4.00 that is tacked onto other fees the local jurisdiction already imposes on building or business permits.

Action Items

- Staff is to send bill tracking updates to Checklist Committee Members.

6. Accessible Parking Campaign – Update and Discussion

a. Toolkit Update

b. Next Steps

Ron Tov, Accessible Parking Campaign Toolkit Development Team Lead, CASp Professional, Principal Architect, Tov Architectural Consulting, summarized the Accessible Parking Campaign Business Owner/Operator Meeting Summary, which was included in the meeting materials.

Staff Member McPhaul summarized the Accessible Parking Campaign Construction Industry Meeting Summary, which was included in the meeting materials.

Public Comment

Sharlene Ornelas stated accessible parking is at a minimum now and is difficult to access. The speaker asked that new charging stations not be put in a designated

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Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) parking space but next to one as much as possible.

Alejandra Warner, Office of ADA Compliance and Accessibility, City of San Diego, stated her Office has been receiving a number of complaints from the public regarding on- and off-street parking and that accessible parking spaces are being taken by street cafes that restaurants extend into parking lots. Also, charging stations are taking over parking spaces. She stated they should know that parking spaces are not charging station spaces.

Action Items

- No action items

7. Addition of Accessible Parking Campaign Work Group Members – Update and Discussion

Mr. Tov stated Work Group membership recruitment is underway. He asked for recommendations for individuals to serve on the work groups, especially the Business Owner/Operator Work Group.

Commissioner Dillard stated staff has a letter on the scope of work and requirements that can be sent to possible work group members.

Public Comment

John James, Building Official, City of South Lake Tahoe, stated he would be happy to distribute the letter requesting work group members to the California Building Officials' LISTSERV. He asked staff to send him an email.

Action Items

- Staff is to send John James an email regarding work group member recruitment.

8. Future Agenda Items

No future agenda items were offered.

9. Adjourn

Chair Holloway stated the next Committee Meeting will be held on June 22nd. He adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:00 p.m.