



City of Joliet

Committee on Citizens with Disabilities

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

1:00 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers

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ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes - October 15, 2024

[TMP-7916](#)

Attachments: [MeetingMinutes14-Nov-2024-10-06-35.pdf](#)

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

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NEW OR OLD BUSINESS, NOT FOR FINAL ACTION OR RECOMMENDATION

Discussion: Winter Fire Safety/Prevention. Safety advice from the Joliet Fire Department

[TMP-7912](#)

Discussion: Outreach to Local Service Agencies on Barriers faced by the Disabled Community

[TMP-7913](#)

Discussion (Old Business): Follow up on October meeting with Will County Health Departments - Disability Awareness Curriculum

[TMP-7918](#)

Change of Committee Meeting Time

[TMP-7914](#)

PUBLIC COMMENT

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ADJOURNMENT

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Meeting Minutes - Pending Approval

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ROLL CALL

Present

Chairperson Tony Arellano, Pam Heavens, Kim Hudgens, Gary Jones, Riley Spreadburry, Steven Voight, and John Jamontas

Absent

Billie Jo Adams, and Sherry Voight

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes for September 17, 2024

TMP-7819

Attachments: MeetingMinutes10-Oct-2024-08-19-01.pdf

A motion was made by Gary Jamontas and seconded by Kim Hudgens, to approve. COUNCIL MEMO #TMP-7819: Approval of Meeting Minutes from 9/17/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

These minutes were approved.

Aye:

Chairperson Arellano, Heavens, Hudgens, Jones, Spreadburry, Voight, Pollard, and Jamontas.

Absent:

Adams, and Voight

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None

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Presentation: CitizenVue

TMP-7811

Kirsten Benson, from City of Joliet Information Services joins with a Presentation on the downloading and usage of CitizenVue engagement app. This app is used as an efficient and user-friendly way to report code violations or concerns throughout Joliet. The new feature to report ADA concerns is highlighted.

Discussion: Health Equity - promoting health and reducing health inequities for people with disabilities.

TMP-7813

Caitlin Daly, of the Health Department's MAPP Collaborative joins in the discussion of health equity, and the Community Health Needs Assessment. The new collection of data for the 2025 Report presents the opportunity to better reflect the Disability Community in the area, as the reported disability rates have been climbing. The current data is showing rising rent rates and disparities of being "house poor". Additional discussions surrounding the stigma of disabilities, and negative public perception.

Discussion: Requested Edits to ByLaws

TMP-7812

Attachments: BYLAWS OF THE CITY OF Joliet.docx

The previously submitted bylaws are discussed, and necessary revisions need to be made following guidance from existing ordinances. Due to the bylaws not being discussed amongst the Committee, the City liaison will forward all bylaws (and revisions) along with the relevant standing City ordinances. Any future revisions of the requested bylaws will have to follow the existing ordinances before submitting.

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Dwight Bendel comments on the concerns around private contractors who plow local businesses, and obstruct sidewalks/public right of ways, leaving them inaccessible by all, including those with disabilities.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Steven Voight, seconded by John Jamontas, to adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye:

Chairperson Arellano, Heavens, Hudgens, Jones, Spreadburry, Voight, Pollard, and Jamontas.

Absent:

Adams, and Voight



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TO: Committee on Citizens with Disabilities

FROM: Tony Arellano, Chairman

SUBJECT:
Change of Committee Meeting Time

BACKGROUND:

This Committee currently meets 9 times a year (February, March, April, May, June, August, September, October, November), on the third Tuesday of the Month at 1 p.m. It has been requested to move the Committee meeting time to earlier in the day - with additional available time slots within City Hall Council Chambers being either 10 a.m. or 11 a.m.

CONCLUSION:

Any change in meeting times must come to a vote, and must have more than half of the Committee's voting favor in order to approve a new meeting time.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this Committee vote on the recommended change of the meeting times to best meet the needs of the current members.