

# CITY OF NORMAN, OK ADA CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 201 West Gray, Norman, OK 73069 Monday, March 11, 2024 at 1:00 PM

## **MINUTES**

The ADA Citizens Advisory Committee of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024, at 1:00 p.m., and notice of the agenda of the meeting were posted at the Norman Municipal Building at 201 West Gray, Development Center at 225 N. Webster and on the City website at least 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

#### **ROLL CALL**

The meeting started at 1:05 pm with Chair Nelson Dent facilitating.

Members Present
Nelson Dent – Chair
Tom Burke
December Ambos
Chris Nanny
Susan Favors
Wanda Felty
Kelli Freeman
Joseph Theige
Victor Long
Kelly Deaver

#### Staff Present

Sarah Hall

Scott Sturtz, Interim Director of Public Works Grace Holloman, ADA Technician, Interim Culture and Social Responsibility Strategist Taylor Johnson, Transit and Parking Program Manager

A quorum was present.

#### MINUTES

1. Approval of the minutes for the December 11, 2023 meeting. Motion was made by Wanda Felty to approve the meeting minutes for December 11, 2023 and seconded by Victor Long. A vote was taken and the results were all approved and none opposed. The meeting minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### 2. UPDATE ON TRANSIT PROGRAM

- Planning on expansion taking place after May 1<sup>st</sup>, to add another vehicle to the Micro Transit Program.
- Will start looking at the bus stops that are out on the street that are not ADA compliant. Cost will be approximately \$200,000-\$240,000.
- Transit Center is located on 320 E. Comanche St.
- Riders can book a trip at a moment's notice through an app (Norman On-Demand) or by calling 405-643-8638.
- Norman On-Demand regular fares are \$2 per ride, plus \$1 for each additional rider. The first six trips are free.
- Hours of operation Monday Wednesday 7 p.m. to 1 a.m., Thursday Saturday 7 p.m. to 3 a.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Fleet will have an assortment of vehicles. Trying to find the best vehicles that accommodate the riders in the city.
- Drivers are contracted and now wear reflective vests.
- To have an employee at the Transit Center it would need to be put through budget request.

#### 3. UPDATE ON SIDEWALK PROJECTS

- Projects for FYE 24 are complete.
- Lindsey Street \$800,000 projects spending 20% on that with all that is completed on the ADA plans.
- Applied for grant for 12<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Robinson to Rock Creek, 1 million dollar project.
  - Have to pay for the design to go through ODOT. Asking for \$125,000 to utilize funds for that.
  - Tom Burke motioned for \$125,000 design, Chris Nany seconded, all else in favor, none apposed.
- James Garner Project: Half of concrete already poured and looking to open in May. Also looking to do 10 feet on Porter as well as putting a bus stop in Johnson that will be fully accessible. Completed waterline items first on corner of Alameda and Porter.

# 4. DISCUSSION AND/OR UPDATE ON ACCESSABILITY OF RESTROOMS IN CITY HALL AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Doors have been modified to required 5 pounds of force (lbf) which is the ADA requirement on interior accessible doors. A few committee members will go after the meeting to check and see if they are able to access the doors to the bathrooms in City Hall and the Development Center.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

Kelli Freeman reminded the committee of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cleveland County disABILITY Coalition Resource Fair to be held the next day, March 12, 2024, from 4-7:00 PM at The Well. There will be 33 vendors present, a lot of resources, and door prizes. No reservation is necessary and the event will be held only in the main building.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS**

Surveys for a bus stop at the Senior Center? (Janice Oak)
The city is working to get survey feedback to see where there need to be bus stops. Bus should be stopping at the Senior Center. (City Staff)

No sidewalk on Finley, next to Robinson. (Janice Oak) Will add that to the list. (City Staff)

People are having a hard time trying to schedule rides on Embark and not getting call backs until the following day. (Susan Favors)

Anyone with these frustrations please reach out to city staff and we will make sure things are within guidelines. (City Staff)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:53 p.n

Chair, ADA Citizens Advisory Committee