

Minutes



Accessibility Committee

Monday 3/21/04 2:30PM to 4:00 PM

Governor's Commission on Disabilities

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Note taker:

John Desautel

Attendees:

Joseph Guay, Arthur Plitt, Paul Depace, Ronald McMinn, Orestes P. Monterey, Rev. Sabourin, Benjamin Efreom, Kate McCarthy, Harvey Salvas, Anita Marshall (DOT), Denise Breckel (DOA), Guy LeFebeve (Coventry), Jay Litman (NCA), Michael Abbott (NCA) Joseph DelSesto (F&O), Terreanne Greenwood (VMA), Ed Handy (DOE), Jake Hegnaer (VMA), Steven Carnrick (VMA), Steven Rioles (Cranston).

Absent:

Joseph Corrente

Minutes

1. Call to Order and acceptance of minutes Joseph Guay, Chair.

2:33 PM call to order. BE made motion to approve minutes. Seconded by RM. Vote unanimous.

2. Veterans Memorial Auditorium
Terreann Greenwood
Michael Abbott

JG referred the meeting to Terreann Greenwood, Chairperson of the Veterans Memorial Association. Ms. Greenwood and Mr. Abbott, VMA designer presented proposed plans for the alterations to the Veteran's Auditorium to include a new elevator and additional restrooms on the first and second levels of the facility. GCD staff requested a copy of the handicapped parking policy in the Providence Mall parking garage allocated to the VMA when available.

3. Building Officials Training Steve Rioles

Mr. Rioles, R.I. Building Officials President, requested ADA training on behalf of the R.I. Building Officials. HS indicated that the GCD would request Kathy Gibbs, ADA Trainer, to provide training. JD stated that he has discussed accessibility training on the IBC for the RI Building Officials sponsored by the United Spinal Association.

3. Proposed Modifications to Howard Avenue, Cranston Denise Breckel

DB updated the AC on the new proposed Pastore Center, Howard Avenue improvements. The AC requested the addition of a new crosswalk in the vicinity of the Minimum Security Building near the bus stop located at the east end of Howard Avenue.

4.	Coventry Greenway Bike Shelter	Jay Littman Anita Marshall
<p>Mr. Littman, Newport Collaborative, requested \$25,000 of the Bond Funds to provide a ramp to the former Coventry railroad loading dock as part of the DOT Greenway Bike Path. The Chair of the AC indicated that the ramp would not provide access and the AC did not take action on this project.</p>		
5.	Status of Renovation Projects	John Desautel Harvey Salvas
<p>GCD staff informed AC members of the current status of the all ADA projects. The AC de-authorized the following projects: Kent House; and Colt State Park. AC authorized \$59, 280 for the DOE Rhode Island School for the Deaf; \$40,000 for Rhode Island College; and \$60,000 for DHS Pasteur facility restroom renovations. EM made a motion to approve the above projects, second by RM, vote unanimous.</p>		
<p>The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 16, 2005 at 2:30 PM at the GCD Office. Motion to adjourn by RM at 4:30 P.M.</p>		