

**Walla Walla/Columbia County  
Accessible Communities Advisory Committee  
Meeting Agenda  
10/19/2022  
3:30 pm**

**PLEASE NOTE: I have included links to documents. You will have to make a copy of them when you begin to open them so you can view them. If you have any issues, please let me know. Also, the information listed in RED is an ACTION ITEM.**

**Zoom Login Information:**

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**Welcome - Request any accommodations needed in the meeting to be shared with Connie**

**Minutes Approval from September Meeting**

**Establishing Work Groups:**

- **Sidewalk and Business Accessibility**
- **Roundabout Accessibility**
- **Rack Card Completion**
- **Building Permit Checklist Completion**

Members will be assigned to work groups, and will need to meet and bring work product to either the November or December meeting.

**ACAC Advocacy for Local Government Accessibility Education Classes**

**Sub-Committee Reports - Due to the length of the meeting, please send any reports in writing to committee members prior to the meeting.**

**Membership Committee:** Connie - new member approvals paused until By-laws reviewed by County Commissioners, but all applicants have been forwarded for approval by ACAC Leadership. Letters have been sent giving 30 day warning for those with excessive unexcused absences before removal from the advisory committee.

**Accessibility Outreach Committee:** (needs chair) - discussion with city needed in relation to tree branches creating safety hazards, general sidewalk accessibility downtown due to business signs and planters/bushes.

**Grant Proposal Committee:** Connie, Jeanne, and Joe - Bicycle grant submitted, group discussion on new grant for future cycle to create a community advocacy go-box. [Rack Card](#) grant fund available for printing.

**Communications/Media Committee:** Connie (open position)- strategic planning for presenting Anikó's Roundabout Letter to City Council's (group invitation to join).

**Transportation Update:** Timothy Barrett -

**Goals**

- 1) **Employment** - Improve employment outcomes for people with disabilities

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- 2) **Housing** - Increase affordable housing for individuals in the disability community, providing more choices in where they can live
- 3) **Accessibility** - Increase accessibility in Walla Walla Valley, making it more desirable for residents and tourism
- 4) **Care Options** - Increase care options for parents/guardians of children and adults with disabilities to provide respite alternatives, care options, and enrichment opportunities.

**Goal Progress**

- 1) **Employment Report Update**- (needs chair)
- 2) **Housing Report Update** - Tim
- 3) **Accessibility Report Update** - Larry, Anikó, and Betsy
- 4) **Care options Report Update** - (needs chair)

**Walla Walla County Department of Health Report** - Amy Osterman

**Walla Walla/Columbia County Developmental Disabilities Program** - Janet Vaupel

**Announcements and Further Discussion Items**

- 1) Columbia County Annual Presentation
- 2) Walla Walla and Columbia County Commissioners Proclamation for National Disability Employment Awareness Month (we should consider working on a list of local accessibility advocates to do features on next year during NDEAM)

**Moving Forward** - What are our next steps?

- a) Membership Recruitment and Application for Members Whose Terms Have Expired
- b) Employment -
- c) Housing -
- d) City of Walla Walla Next Steps
  - i) WWACAC member to serve on Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee Issue
  - ii) Develop a checklist for Downtown Alfresco Accessibility for Policy Development
  - iii) Develop pamphlet and materials on Accessibility for Building Permit Office
  - iv) Partner with Developmental Disabilities in Inclusion Stickers and Informational Pamphlets for Walla Walla Businesses
  - v) Possible Grants and Revenue Options
  - vi) Downtown Accessibility Study of Parking Options and Sidewalks Walkways with Alfresco Outside Dining

**Public Comment**

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**For the Good of the Order**

**Next Meeting Date - Valley Transit on March 16, 2022. A Zoom format will also be available for those needing this accommodation. [Meeting Dates ACAC 2022](#)**

**Adjournment**