

**Walla Walla/Columbia County
Accessible Communities Advisory Committee
Valley Transit and Zoom Meeting Agenda
5/18/22
5:30-7:00**

Zoom Login Information:

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Meeting ID: 810 4109 1152 Passcode: 018879

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

Minutes Approval from April Meeting

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 - no report, recruiting still needed

Community Outreach Committee: Kati - awaiting report

Grant Proposal Committee: Connie, Jeanne, and Joe - Connie met with the state about the two grant applications, the funding available is limited, and Connie advocated for rural prioritization due to limited local resources. Invited to reapply for the bicycle grant from 2021, but did not seem as supportive of the mobile office application. We may need to coordinate with the County to seek local funding options.

Communications/Media Committee: Connie (open position) - State grant committee meeting. Larry seeking a meeting with Mayor Scribner.

Transportation Update: Timothy Barrett

Goals

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

Walla Walla/Colmubia County Developmental Disabilities Program - Cindy

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Announcements and Further Discussion Items

- 1) Annual Report to County Commissioners on June 13th, time and location to be announced
- 2) Members need to complete forms for state reimbursement for accommodation costs, officers can help those who need assistance completing the forms

Moving Forward - What are our next steps?

- a) Membership Recruitment and Application for Members Whose Terms Have Expired
- b) Employment
 - i) Inclusion Stickers
- c) Housing -
- d) City of Walla Walla Next Steps
 - i) WWACAC member to serve on Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee Issue
 - ii) Develop 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 - transition rack cards to one brochure?
 - v) Possible Grants and Revenue Options
 - vi) Downtown Accessibility Study of Parking Options and Sidewalks Walkways with Alfresco Outside Dining

Public Comment -

For the Good of the Order -

Next Meeting Date - Valley Transit on June 15, 2022. A Zoom format will also be available for those needing this accommodation. [Meeting Dates ACAC 2022](#) (No meeting in July)

Adjournment