



COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ISSUES

Wednesday, November 19, 2025, 3:30 P.M.

LEGAL ACTION REPORT

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:39 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Present:

Kate Elliott
Sue Kroeger
Wesley Derbyshire
Jonathan Lee Confer
Zach Coble, Chairperson
Lily Bogan

Representing

City Manager
City Manager
Ward 2
Ward 3
Ward 4
Ward 6

Absent:

Derrick Espadas
Ray Jordan

Representing:

Mayor's Office
Ward 5

Staff and Others Present:

Jennifer Toothaker
Rob Lane
Gloria Salmeron
Lydia Barker
Jennifer Bonham
Chris Desborough
Andrea Barredo
Rene Figueroa
Stepanie Alvarez

Transportation & Mobility
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City Attorney's Office
Ward 2 Council Staff
City Clerk's Office
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2. Call to the Public.

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

3. Consideration and Possible Approval for the October 2025 Draft Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Commissioner Derbyshire, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 6 to 0 to approve October 2025 minutes.

4. Presentation and Discussion on Creating Accessible Paths During Road Construction

Deputy Director of Transportation and Mobility Jennifer Toothaker started the presentation and gave a quick rundown on the City of Tucson and high-level permits. Jennifer spoke about the differences in permits within the City of Tucson as well as the guidance that comes with each permit. She showed the review process for ROW (Right of Way) permits and how they are issued. Jennifer gave examples of conditions on a permit which states that pedestrian access must be provided and maintained as well as any pedestrian detour route on the same side of the right of way per City code and policy.

Transportation and Mobility Project Manager Rob Lane gave the presentation on "Pedestrian Access and ADA accessibility in Construction Zones". Rob spoke about the importance of providing access to individuals with mobility issues or in wheelchairs. Rob also discussed the importance of making notes and recommendations on fixing pedestrian access in contraction zones as soon as possible. He spoke on the different sidewalk slopes, unpaved areas and un-accessible areas that must be fixed and in compliance for pedestrians and must also meet ADA accommodations during construction. Some fixes could involve temporary pavement areas, wood ramps etc. The designer, inspectors, construction crew etc and need to continue to work and find new and efficient ways to maintain and provide improvements for pedestrians and individuals with disabilities. Some changes that are being worked on auditory directions to help visually impaired individuals.

5. RTA Next Discussion

Chairperson Coble opened the item by explaining that RTA next doesn't raise sales tax but

6. Appreciation for Departing Commissioners

Chair Coble announced some departures within the CODI commission and wanted to recognize the members for their help and willingness to serve on the commission. Commission members

7. Announcements

Chairperson Coble opened the floor for announcements and started with the announcement of the Disability Pride Day at Donna Liggins Recreation Center. The celebration will be from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. The Disability Pride event will have performers, arts, disabled sports among other activities. Commissioner Bogan announced she would be participating in the El Tour De Tucson, she also mentioned they were still fundraising and if anyone was able to help they could visit the website to learn more about donating.

8. Adjournment: 4:58 PM