Clark County Accessible Community Advisory Committee (ACAC)

Meeting Minutes

Date: March 25, 2025 **Time:** 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Location: Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

1. Welcome & Introductions

The meeting was called to order, and introductions were made.

Present: Dave Carl, Jordan Boege, Counselor Glen Young (District One), Eric Thorstenson, Lilly Longshore, De Lena Perry, Jesseica Elliott, Lyn Snowden, Mack Marsh (Parking Mobility speaker), Greg Kimsey, David Poland, Andrea Medlock (ASL Interpreter).

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

• Motion to Approve: Lilly Longshore

• **Seconded by:** De Lena Perry

• Outcome: Motion carried out; previous minutes approved.

3. Group Agreements

Reminder given regarding the group agreements established in prior meetings.

4. Presentation & Discussion: Parking Mobility App - Mack Marsh

Mack Marsh presented an overview of the Parking Mobility program and its potential impact on Clark County.

• **Personal Story Shared:** A ramp blocked by an improperly parked car led to a medical emergency.

Identified Problem:

- Widespread abuse of accessible parking.
- o 850 violations recorded in 10 days in other locations.

o Clark County had only 8 reports in the past year.

Program Features:

- Trained volunteers to document violations using the app.
- o Photos required: placard through window, license plate, vertical signage.
- Uploads go directly through the app (not personal camera).
- Reports sent to the county.

Program Goals:

- o Increase community accountability.
- Educate over penalize repeat offenders more likely to re-offend without education.
- App can identify violations such as:
 - Missing/expired/altered placards
 - Blocking access ramps/curbs
 - Lack of signage or striping
- Cost Estimate: Approx. \$45,000 annually to implement.
- **Discussion:** Data from the app can be used to inform elected officials. The first threshold is community engagement.

5. Follow-Up: Combining with Elections Access Committee

- Discussion on combining ACAC with the Elections Advisory Committee.
- Shared goals:
 - Expand accessibility in the voting process for all abilities.
 - Identify and reduce voting barriers for people with disabilities.

Concerns Raised:

- Lack of data for specific communities (e.g., Deaf individuals).
- Insufficient interpreter access for civic engagement.
- Need for resources like screen readers and audio guides.

o Rights violations due to inaccessibility.

• Action Points:

- Explore forming a subcommittee.
- o Maintain focus on accessibility if combining.
- Track legislation and advocate for inclusive policy.
- Legal Reference Noted: RCW 29A.04.230 Role of Secretary of State as Chief Election Officer.

6. Member Updates

- Upcoming Event:
 - o Date Change: April 30, 2025, 1:30 PM at Klineline Pond
 - o **Purpose:** Accessibility site visit with the county.
 - Members are encouraged to bring extra wheelchairs.

7. Next Meeting

• **Date:** April 22, 2025

• **Time:** 4:00 PM

• Location: Microsoft Teams

Agenda Topics: To be determined.

8. Other Business

• No additional items were brought forward.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:45 PM