

## **Clark County Accessible Community Advisory Committee (CCACAC)**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** June 24, 2025

**Time:** 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

**Location:** Virtual via Microsoft Teams

### **1. Welcome & Introductions**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair.

Attendees:

Dave Carl, Lilly Longshore, Glen Yung, Jesseica Elliott, Jordan Boege, Lyn Sowdon, Eric Thorstenson, Jill Camillo, Julyla Deatherage, Taylor Eidt, Michael Sallis

Guest: Benno

### **2. Approval of Minutes**

- Motion to approve previous meeting minutes made by **Lyn Sowdon**, seconded by **Lilly Longshore**.
- Motion passed unanimously.

### **3. Group Agreements**

- The committee reviewed and reaffirmed group agreements for effective and respectful collaboration.

### **4. C-TRAN & Transit Accessibility**

#### **Presentation and Discussion Highlights:**

- Annual evaluation process of stop improvement based on:
  - Ridership, transfers, frequency, land use, nearby landmarks, area income, minority status, renter status, ADA compliance, and physical characteristics.
- Point-assignment system used to prioritize upgrades.

- Legacy stops and dimension-friendly amenities highlighted.
- High priority for areas lacking sidewalks.
- Efforts to identify dedicated funding sources for improvements.
- Design adaptation needed during city construction (example: 4th Plain between Main & Grand, "bus island").
- New designs introduced to support Vine stop expansions and higher accessibility:
  - Higher curbs for easier roll-on
  - Faster securement systems
- Future **Vine project** on Columbia → Grant → Main → Hwy 99 → WSU campus at 139th:
  - Breaks ground: **July 2025**
  - Projected opening: **September 2027**
- Note: C-TRAN jurisdiction excludes some unincorporated areas.
- *Current* “micro-transit” service in **Battle Ground**:
  - Covers any two points in the city via app, website, or phone.
  - Accessible vans in use.
- Feedback is encouraged through the website and customer service line.
- Concerns raised about Vine accessibility:
  - Stops are farther apart; this may pose challenges for individuals with mobility limitations.
  - Vine provides dignity in transit but may lack proximity.
- Discussion on incorporating fixed routes with Vine:
  - Challenges include incompatibility with 12-inch curbs and funding constraints.
- Suggestion to improve the transition from school transportation to **C-Van** use:
  - Consider programs to support this transition.

## 5. Clark County ADA Self-Evaluation Report & Transition Plan

- **Michael Sallis** will provide more information and updates at the next meeting.

## 6. GCDE Survey to ACACs

- The committee must complete the survey by **July 1, 2025**.
- The group collaborated to complete together online.
- **Sept 3, 2025**: Virtual statewide meeting of all ACACs to discuss results.

## 7. Member Updates

- **The recruitment window is open** for new members.
- Visitors raised concerns regarding **fireworks** and their **negative impacts on pets and community members** with sensory sensitivities.

## 8. Next Meeting Date, Time & Agenda Topics

- **Next Meeting**: July 22, 2025 @ 4:00 PM
- **Planned Topics**:
- **Clark County ADA Self-Evaluation Report & Transition Plan**
- **Considerations for fundraising ideas**
  - Community lawn chair donation drive
  - Wheelchair charging stations at local **fire** and **police** departments

## 9. Anything Else for the Good of the Group

- No additional items were raised.

**Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.**