

39.04 COMMISSION ON PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

- (1) Organization. There is hereby created a Commission on People with Disabilities. (Am. by Ord. 12,880, 8-24-01)
- (2) Membership. The Commission shall consist of thirteen (13) members. Twelve (12) citizen members and one alderperson shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Common Council. Citizen members shall be residents of the City of Madison and shall be knowledgeable and sensitive to the service needs, rights, and responsibilities of citizens with disabilities. First priority for membership shall be given to people with disabilities, family members, and advocates. (Am. by ORD-05-00168, 11-8-05; ORD-07-00195, 12-20-07)
- (3) (a) Terms. All members shall serve terms of three (3) years, commencing May 1, and expiring April 30, except that the term of the Alderperson member of the Commission shall expire with the expiration of her/his term as Alderperson. At the first regular Common Council meeting in April of each year, the Mayor shall appoint persons to fill terms which expire the following May 1. The Common Council shall either reject or confirm the appointments. Should the Council reject any appointment, the Mayor shall submit an alternative appointment as soon as possible. All members shall serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner prescribed for original appointments but the vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term only.
- (b) (Repealed by ORD-05-00168, 11-8-05)
(Am. by Ord. 10,978, 9-14-94; Ord. 12,880, 8-24-01)
- (4) Duties. The Commission on People with Disabilities shall have the following responsibilities:
- (a) Recommend policy to the Mayor, Common Council and Department of Civil Rights in all areas that affect people with disabilities and their families. (Am. by Ord. 10,498, Adopted 8-18-92; Am. by ORD-06-00078, 6-30-06)
- (b) Study and make recommendations to all City departments, committees, and commissions on proposals to provide better access to facilities and services for people with disabilities and their families.
- (c) The Commission shall monitor and report violations of city ordinances and state laws pertaining to citizens with disabilities to the appropriate agency.
- (d) The Commission shall solicit comments and suggestions from citizens and organized groups regarding the concerns of citizens with disabilities.
- (e) The Commission shall establish close working relationships with other City Boards, Commissions and Committees whose activities may affect people with disabilities.
- (Am. by Ord. 12,880, 8-24-01)
- (5) Meetings. The Commission shall meet at least once each month and shall conduct its business in accordance with rules which it may establish.
- ~~(6) Executive Committee. Each year the Commission shall meet as soon after May 1 as possible to elect a Chair and Vice Chair and such other officers as the Commission may determine. The Commission Chair shall appoint a Commission member as Chair of any other committees. The Executive Committee shall consist of all Commission officers, committee Chairs and other commission~~

~~members as appointed by the Chair. The Executive Committee shall have responsibilities as assigned by the Commission. (Am. by Ord. 12,880, 8-24-01)~~

- (6) **Subcommittees.** The Commission on People with Disabilities may create Subcommittees.
- (a) **Parking Council for People with Disabilities.** Under the authority of section 346.50(3m) of the Wisconsin Statutes, a Parking Council for People with Disabilities is hereby created as a subcommittee of the Commission on People with Disabilities.
1. **Members.** The Parking Council for People with Disabilities shall consist of seven (7) members and two (2) alternates, all of whom shall be residents of the City, four (4) of whom may be members of the Commission on People with Disabilities, three (3) of whom may be members of the Transit and Parking Commission, and of whom at least four (4) regular members and one (1) alternate member shall be people to whom or on whose behalf the Department of Transportation of the State of Wisconsin has issued a special registration plate under Sec. 341.14(1) to (1r), Wis. Stats., or a special identification card under Sec. 343.51, Wis. Stats. The members designated as alternates shall only have voting powers when temporarily filling the office of a vacant or absent council member. Members of this subcommittee shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to approval by the Common Council.
 2. **Terms.** Members of the Parking Council for People with Disabilities shall have terms limited to the duration of their membership on the Commission on People with Disabilities or the Transit and Parking Commission. Those members who are not also members of the Commission on People with Disabilities or the Transit and Parking Commission shall have a term of three (3) years from the date of appointment.
 3. **Duties.** The Parking Council for People with Disabilities shall give advice and recommendations on the location of those spaces reserved for use by a motor vehicle used by a person with a physical disability that are subject to any time limitations imposed pursuant to Sec. 346.50(3m)(b), Wis. Stats. The council may also hear and investigate matters concerning the quality and availability of parking within the city for persons with disabilities and shall report its findings and recommendations to the Common Council from time to time. Upon observing what they believe to be a handicapped parking violation within the City of Madison, individual Council members may call the Dane County Dispatch and request that a Madison Police Department Parking Enforcement Officer respond to the location of the alleged violation. (Am. by ORD-06-00099, 8-2-06; Renum. by ORD-07-00048, 4-12-07)

4. Chair. The Parking Council for People with Disabilities subcommittee shall select a chair from among its members. The subcommittees shall consider such matters and perform such tasks as are referred to them by the Commission on People with Disabilities. Common Council referral of items to subcommittees of the Transit and Parking Commission shall be referred through the Transit and Parking Commission.

- (7) Staff. The Commission and all subcommittees thereof shall receive staff services from the Department of Civil Rights. (Am. by Ord. 10,498, Adopted 8-18-92; ORD-06-00078, 6-30-06)
(Sec. 3.62 R. & Re-Cr. by Ord. 10,246, 4-26-91; Am. by Ord. 12,880, 8-24-01)

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