



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Draft DISABILITY RIGHTS COMMISSION

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Thursday, April 24, 2025

5:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

The City of Madison is holding the Disability Rights Commission meeting virtually to help protect our community from the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

1. **Written Comments:** You can send comments on agenda items to DisabilityRights@cityofmadison.com

2. **Register for Public Comment:**

- Register to speak at the meeting.
- Register to answer questions.
- Register in support or opposition of an agenda item (without speaking).

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4. **Listen by Phone:**

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Meeting ID: 874 1451 8357

Passcode: Send an email to DisabilityRights@cityofmadison.com

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 5:08pm, Chair Wiley presiding.

Present: 8 - Melissa A. Madole; Joseph A. Frost; Nicki Vander Meulen; Casey Edmonds-Estes; Kathleen M. Callen; Nakia S. Wiley; Wendi Dwyer and Lynn A. Olson

Excused: 2 - Larry D. Love and Kristen E. Luppino Witzling

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Madole, seconded by Commissioner Dwyer, to Approve the Minutes from March 27, 2025. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [87979](#) Public Comment (April 2025)

There were no public comments.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures and recusals.

NEW BUSINESS

2. [87980](#) Welcome Alders Joann Pritchett and New Commissioners

Hoyt gave an update.
3. [87668](#) Elections for Chair and Vice Chair

Rocha and Hoyt led the elections.

Chair Wiley and Vice Chair Madole were re-elected to their positions, via secret ballot vote.
4. [86780](#) DRC Retreat Date: May 3rd 1-4 p.m. or May 17th 1-4 p.m.

Hoyt gave an update.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dwyer, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to host the DRC Retreat on May 3rd 1-4pm. The motion did not pass.

A motion was made by Commissioner Meulen, seconded by Commissioner Frost, to host the DRC Retreat on May 17th 1-4pm. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. [87981](#) Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice

Attachments: [2025 Analysis of Impediments Draft](#)
[Analysis of Impediments Presentation](#)

Frater and McCarthy, from Community Development Division, gave a presentation and overview of analysis.

6. [67538](#) Accessible Madison Updates
- a. Beyond Compliance Subcommittee Report
 - b. Transportation Commission Liaison Report
 - c. Madison Lakeway Liaison Report
 - d. Week Without Driving Liaison Report

There were no updates from Madison Lakeway sub-committee.

Hoyt gave an update on Beyond Compliance.

Olson gave an update on Transportation Commission.

Dwyer and Callen gave an update on Week Without Driving.

7. [80509](#) Future Topics City of Madison

Commissioner Frost - Commission's involvement with Madison housing discussions and Madison housing commissions.

Commissioner Dwyer - Paratransit and how to increase safety for pedestrians and wheel chair users throughout the city.

Hoyt - "Report a Problem" portal.

REPORTS

8. [62729](#) Report from the Common Council

There was no update.

9. [15340](#) Report from the Department of Civil Rights

Hoyt gave an update.

10. [24056](#) Report from the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Award Commission

There was no update.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Callen, seconded by Commissioner Dwyer, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice/other. The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 pm.