## ACCESSIBILITY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE TELECONFERENCE MEETING FROM TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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### **Minutes**

#### **ACCESSIBLITY TAC PRESENT:**

Jeff Gross, ChairmanBemmie EustaceJack HumburgSharon MignardiBarbara PageBrad SchifferJames WoolyhandDiana Worrall

#### **ACCESSIBILITY TAC NOT PRESENT:**

Frederick Schilling Larry Schneider

#### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Mo Madani Tom Campbell
Justin Vogel Chip Sellers
Marlita Peters Chris Howell
Jim Hammers

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#### Welcome:

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Ms. Peters welcomed everyone to the teleconference call of the Accessibility TAC. She provided information for the callers on how to mute systems to avoid background noise.

#### **Roll Call:**

Ms. Peters performed roll call for the Accessibility TAC. A quorum was determined with 7 members present.

#### **Agenda Approval:**

Mr. Schiffer entered a motion to approve the agenda for today's meeting as posted. Ms. Eustace seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0.

#### Approval of the Minutes from January 27, 2017.

Ms. Eustace entered a motion to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2017 meeting as posted. Ms. Page seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0.

Jack Humburg joined the call increasing the members present to 8.

### Recommend and discuss potential research topics for consideration by the Building Commission:

Chairman Gross addressed the TAC regarding research projects. He also identified a prior project that was offered last year on Chapter 233 residential facilities requirements; however they could not find anyone to complete the research. Mr. Gross asked that this be considered by the TAC for a proposed project again this year. He asked for any project ideas that the TAC might want to present.

Ms. Worrall stated she had three projects that she would like to see considered and provided detail on each.

- 1. Problems in implementing Chapter 11 specifically the recreation guidelines
- 2. Requiring Building Official and Code Enforcement to become better educated on requirements for Hotels
- 3. Hotels specific requirements for bed heights

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Mr. Schiffer spoke on the need for a project to research the need for changing tables for adults with disabilities and what other states are doing or not doing to assist with this need. He provided additional information on what he has learned about this issue.

Ms. Eustace spoke on modification for Florida specific requests in hotel rooms. She stated mobility is still an issue with the open frame beds and grab bars in the restroom and possible separation. Ms. Eustace stated open frames should be in a mobility room and grab bars in an ambulatory room and labeled as such.

Mr. Gross asked if these projects need to be Florida specific or if they can include national issues.

Mr. Madani provided the requirements for the projects. He said we look for specific issue within the code sections that need to be addressed. Mr. Madani advised the project needs to have a clear scope of work. He said there is another part which would be technical enrichment which would involve forming workgroups to study. Mr. Madani advised there are three things the Commission will look at, number one would be that the project meets the definition of research, secondly there is a need, and third the level of funding/cost.

Mr. Madani said the proponents will need to submit proposals with clear guidelines and costs. He said that the TAC will need to prioritize the offered projects. Mr. Madani stated the projects need to be submitted to him by mid-July to allow staff to compile for the TAC Chairman Meeting in August.

Mr. Madani stated he would e-mail the guidelines to the group. He said that the bed height and lift could be combined, so if they would submit each to him he would combine the two for them.

Ms. Eustace brought up the 12 foot to 11 foot width on parking space.

Mr. Gross said that it has been studied and it was before the Commission but did not make it out of the Legislature.

Mr. Gross asked the TAC to rank the projects.

The TAC recommended the following projects in the following order:

- 1. Bed Height/Lift
- 2. Chapter 233 residential facilities requirements
- 3. Adult Changing Tables

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**Public Comments: None** 

### **Adjournment:**

Ms. Peters performed a final roll call all 8 members were remaining on the call.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.