



Commission on Disability Meeting

Wednesday, August 20, 2025 at 7:00 PM

Remote Participation Only

Agenda

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Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025, the meeting and public hearing will be conducted with remote opportunities for participation. Remote participation and access methods include:

ACCESS INFORMATION:

- A. This meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 20, 2025, at 7:00PM. Location: Remote Participation Only
- B. The meeting will be televised through WCATV (Watertown Cable Access Television): <http://vodwcatv.org/CablecastPublicSite/watch-now?site=3>
- C. The Public may join the virtual meeting online: <https://watertown-ma.zoom.us/j/92274085597>
- D. Public may join the virtual meeting audio only by phone: (877) 853-5257 or (888) 475-4499 (Toll Free) and enter Webinar ID: 922 7408 5597
- E. Public may comment through email: tcote@watertown-ma.gov
- F. Please Visit the Commission on Disability Website here: <https://www.watertown-ma.gov/351/Commission-on-Disability>

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- 1. Call to Order & Housekeeping – Kim Charlson
 - 2. Audience Issues (takes priority over regular business)
 - 3. Guest Speaker: Watertown Human Services Director Jenna Bancroft
 - 4. CHAIR'S REPORT
 - A.
 - A. Funding Request from WHRC for ASL &/or CART for October Disability Needs Assessment Focus Group -- Kim
 - B. Request from WFPL for Funding for ASL & CART for October 20-21 Disability Awareness Events -- Kim
 - C. Report Back on Tyler Cote/Tom Brady DPW Walk-about in June on Arsenal Street – Tyler
 - D. Detectable Warnings at North Beacon & Beechwood – Kim
 - E. Update on Waverly-Belmont Street Intersection from Wayne Chouinard – Tyler & Kim

- F. Update on Francis Food Mart – Tyler & John
- G. ADA Signage as Recommended by the KMA Report – Tyler
- H. Faire on the Square Planning – Tyler & All
- I. Update on Language Translation/ASL/CART Test – Carol & Nayo
- J. Reasonable Accommodation Language on City Agendas & Event Notices – Tyler
- K. 311 Request Tagging to Include Accessibility Option Updates – Tyler
- L. Arsenal Park Amphitheater Path Surface – Lisa
- M. Accessible Entrances at City Hall – John
- N. Sidewalk Obstacle at Common & Bellevue Street – John & Lisa

- 5. Acceptance of Minutes for the May & June Meetings – Discussion/Vote – Rachel & Tyler
- 6. Treasurer's Report – Tyler
- 7. Break – 10 minutes
- 8. Committee Reports – Ongoing Business
 - A. Plans Review – John
 - B. Special Education Update – Rachel
 - C. Safety and Access – Kim
 - 1. Cracks in Pavement on Pathway from Whites Avenue to Waverly Avenue – Kim & Naomi
 - 2. Detectable Warnings at Lexington & Main Streets Being Referred to Mass Highway – Kim
- 9. New Business
 - A. Funding for ASL interpreters at city-wide events
 - B. Next meeting date in September
- 10. Adjourn