

MINUTES OF THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

ELK GROVE CITY HALL
November 19, 2025

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Steve called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Members Present: Ted Clark, Steve Capps, Ann Hennessey, Daisy Hughes, Joe Xavier

Members Absent: None

Staff: Christina Castro, Capital Program Division Manager
Jim Ramsey, Risk Manager / ADA Coordinator

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe asked about a previous comment regarding accessibility of parks in Elk Grove. Jim stated that Antonio Ablog will be presenting to the committee regarding this topic in December, along with giving a general overview of the Planning Division. The committee discussed the different options they have as a committee to help people coming to the committee and asking for help.

3.0 APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES

By consensus, the committee agreed to make changes to the October minutes and vote on them at the next meeting.

4.0 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS/POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

Christina gave an overview of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and some timelines in the CIP 5-yr plan. She is here at the meeting to see if the committee has any recommendations for proposed projects. Once she gets requests, her and her team review the proposals to start determining which projects are possible and preferred. Currently there are about 90 projects and they add about 12 to 15 new projects every year. Ted asked about some of the current projects. Christina mentioned the Laguna Creek Regional Trail project, the pedestrian crossing over Hwy 99 for that trail, signalized intersection improvements with video detection of pedestrians, and a \$13 million dollar paving project around the City that included curb ramp improvements. She mentioned that the new library is scheduled to open in July 2026, and that the new permanent shelter is being worked on. Joe asked how the City determines which intersections get what kind of accessibility upgrades. She stated that major corridors are targeted first. Joe asked about how many intersections are upgraded annually. Christina stated that it is generally driven by grants the City can get. He then asked how Public Works engages with those with disabilities to try to serve them with appropriate upgrades on intersections. Christina said the City uses a lot of data to help determine which intersections have priority, and much of that is driven by general usage which is tracked by the number of button pushes. They also look at paths of travel to schools, shopping centers, etc. Steve mentioned that it would be good if the committee could reach out to the community to get feedback from those with disabilities on improvements and new builds. Joe mentioned that he would like to figure out how the DAC can partner with outside entities, groups, and individuals to ensure universal design is considered in all builds. The committee discussed the different aspects of parks and why and why not a park should have everything in it be accessible to all. Steve mentioned a nature trail east from Big Horn on Bilby that doesn't have an access ramp. Christina confirmed that there's a new park going in at that location that also has a parking lot, that is probably scheduled to be completed in about 2 years. Daisy mentioned that there are no parks in Elk Grove that are fully accessible and it would be nice to have one. Joe mentioned that he wants to have a conversation about outreach and how the

committee can encourage more system inclusion of consideration of disabilities. Ann mentioned she would like to see a way for those with disabilities have a vehicular way to get to get to the places they need to go.

5.0 GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

None

6.0 COMMITTEE COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion on how the committee can do outreach.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

Steve adjourned the meeting at 7:31 pm.

Steve Capps

STEVE CAPPS, CHAIR
DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

J Ramsey

PREPARED BY:
JIM RAMSEY, RISK MANAGER / ADA COORDINATOR