

**Walla Walla/Columbia County
Accessible Communities Advisory Committee
Zoom Meeting FINAL Agenda
February 16, 2022
5:30**

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Welcome

Minutes Approval and August Meeting

Guest Speaker: Nancy Riggle, Executive Director, Valley Residential Service - Presentation on Affordable and Accessible Housing

Sub-Committee Reports - Due to the length of the meeting, please send any reports in writing to committee members prior to the meeting.

By-Laws Committee: Connie - no report

Membership Committee: Connie - no report

Community Outreach Committee: Kati -

Grant Proposal Committee: Connie, Jeanne, and Joe -

Communications/Media Committee: Connie (open position)

Transportation Update: Timothy Barrett

Goals

- 1) **Employment** - Improve employment outcomes for people with disabilities
- 2) **Housing** - Increase affordable housing for individuals in the disability community, providing more choices in where they can live
- 3) **Accessibility** - Increase accessibility in Walla Walla Valley, making it more desirable for residents and tourism
- 4) **Care Options** - Increase care options for parents/guardians of children and adults with disabilities to provide respite alternatives, care options, and enrichment opportunities.

Goal Progress

- 1) **Employment Report Update** - Cindy
- 2) **Housing Report Update** - Cindy (need chair)
- 3) **Accessibility Report Update** - Larry and Betsy
 - a) City of Walla Walla - Larry, Betsy, and Connie
 - b) Accessibility Checklists - Aniko and Betsy
 - c) Elections - David
- 4) **Care Options Report Update**- (chair needed) No report

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Walla Walla County Department of Health Report - Cindy

Announcements and Further Discussion Items

Moving Forward - What are our next steps?

- a) Membership Recruitment and Application for Members Whose Terms Have Expired
- b) Employment
 - i) Securing jobs for those with disabilities
 - ii) Temporary Summer positions for DD employees
- c) Housing - Need new ad hoc chair
- d) City of Walla Walla
 - i) WWACAC member to serve on Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee Issue
 - ii) Develop a checklist for Downtown Alfresco Accessibility for Policy Development
 - iii) Develop pamphlet and materials on Accessibility for Building Permit Office
 - iv) Partner with Developmental Disabilities in Inclusion Stickers and Informational Pamphlets for Walla Walla Businesses
 - v) Possible Grants and Revenue Options
 - vi) Downtown Accessibility Study of Parking Options and Sidewalks Walkways with Alfresco Outside Dining

Public Comment

For the Good of the Order

Next Meeting Date - Zoom Meeting on March 16, 2022. If you are in need of accommodation, please reach out to Connie. [Meeting Dates ACAC 2022](#)

Adjournment