

ACHD ADA Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2025

Meeting called to order by Jeremy Maxand, President at 1103

We do not have a quorum yet, so we are moving to Advisement, the ADA Annual Report while we wait.

Sean Kelly gives presentation.

We now have a quorum. Minutes of the past two meetings will be presented at the November meeting due to technical difficulties. We will approved July and Sept meeting minutes at the November Meeting.

Fairview Avenue Bridge Replacement Proposal - Alex (Staff)

Alex presented a proposal for replacing the Fairview Avenue Bridge, a two-lane bridge built in 1932 that spans the Boise River. The bridge is in fair condition but could deteriorate to poor condition, prompting ACHD to seek funding through FHWA's Bridge Investment Program for a 2030 construction date. While the bridge currently meets capacity needs, it lacks ADA compliance, with a 5-foot sidewalk on one side and gaps in sidewalk access near Whitewater Boulevard. The project scope would cover the bridge structure from Garden Street to Whitewater, with potential sidewalk improvements to be discussed in future design phases.

Letter Drafting and Road Concerns

The committee approved a motion allowing the chair to sign a letter of support for a project, with Jeremy, Sean, and Alex tasked to draft it. The letter is to be reviewed by the committee and finalized by the 26th, with flexibility if needed. Megan raised concerns about road issues on the north side of Main Fairview, which she will address through the new app.

Motion: Authorizing the Chair to draft a letter of support the project. Jeremy to work with Sean and Alex. Alyssa seconded the Motion. No discussion, no opposition. Motion passes. Jeremy will draft the letter and send it around.

Audible Detour Devices Rollout- Sean Kelly

Sean did a short presentation. They are going live. Sean announced the rollout of proximity-actuated audible detour devices in specific locations, inviting the ADAC and Idaho Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired to provide feedback during a mid-fall field trip. He also shared a draft messaging guidebook, which will be distributed to the advisory committee for feedback, and mentioned ongoing collaboration with other

transportation departments. The devices are set to go live soon, with testing in the real world, and Sean expressed interest in refining the guidebook based on input from various stakeholders. He will keep everyone informed.

Moving to item D, then back to C.

ProWAG Pedestrian Signal Updates - Sean Kelly

The Ada County Highway District (ACHD) is implementing the ProWAG change requiring a minimum 7-second walk phase for pedestrian crossings at signalized intersections, with about 30% completion so far. The main challenge is the transition to new signal controllers, which requires reprogramming and field testing before deployment. ACHD also discussed other ProWAG-related changes, including a 4-inch protrusion limit for objects in pedestrian paths, which affects the installation of audible pedestrian signals (APS) on ramps and flares.

Audible Pedestrian Signal Priority List - Sean Kelly

The group discussed updating the priority list for audible pedestrian signal (APS) installations, with ACHD requesting an updated list from the advisory committee by November. They agreed to work on making the list accessible to the public, with Laine drafting an email to the Treasure Valley chapter and coordinating with Sean to ensure accessibility for visually impaired users. ACHD committed to providing an updated list of current APS locations to help prioritize new installations.

Handicapped Parking Policy Compliance

The meeting highlighted a successful intervention by Sean and Cody who identified a violation of handicapped parking policies by the City of Eagle, leading to the city's compliance and an apology from the mayor. Jeremy noted that accessible parking spaces often face misuse, and Megan praised the 11th Street project for its positive impact on bike and wheelchair users. The group also acknowledged ACHD's participation in Hands Around the Capitol and their drone pictures. The conversation ended with a motion to adjourn, and Jeremy mentioned that communications regarding the APS list and letter would be sent out shortly.

Meeting Adjourned at 1148

Next meeting is November 18, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Bloom
Secretary