

# **COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES**

CITY OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS 98 WASHINGTON STREET, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS 01970 978-619-5630

## Salem Commission on Disabilities January 21, 2020; 4:30PM SATv offices, 285 Derby Street, Salem, MA <u>COMMISSION STATEMENT</u>

The Salem Commission on Disabilities is committed to making Salem a better place to work and live for people with disabilities. The Commission also strives to make Salem a more accessible place to visit for people living with all kinds of disabilities. Our mission is to raise awareness, educate, and provide informational resources about various disability issues. Two of the ways we do so are by providing educational information in the monthly meetings broadcasted on the local cable network, SATV Channel 22, and providing a daily audible column to help maximize the pedestrian commuter's safety. The Commission supports a strong relationship with City government, its constituents and the Salem business community, including the museums and other tourist attractions.

#### AGENDA

## 1) Introductions and welcome

Commission members, Councillor Megan Riccardi, new liaison to the Commission

#### 2) Old Business

- a. December 2019 ADA Transition Plan Presentation by IHCD; group follow-up discussion
- b. Variance request St. John Paul Shrine; Lisa Cammarata
- c. Tap Board Ordinance; Lisa Cammarata

#### 3) New Business

- a. Parks and playgrounds; accessibility; Kerry Neenan
- b. National ADA Symposium; May 10-13, Kansas City; MO; Lisa Cammarata
- c. Letters of support to Rep. Paul Tucker & Sen. Joan Lovely re: White Cane Violations; group discussion/Chris Nagle
- d. Joint meeting with Traffic and Parking Commission & Bicycle Advisory Committee; Debra Lobsitz
- e. Subcommittee reports, if applicable; and update of membership of each

Project funding; Lisa Cammarata
By-Laws and updates; update and ratification; Debra Lobsitz
Pedestrian safety; Chris Nagle
Social media; John Young

# 4) Announcements/General discussion and ideas for future meetings; if needed

#### 5) Next meeting

March 17, 2020; 4:30PM, SATv offices, 285 Derby Street, Salem, MA

# 6) Adjournment

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