

Manchester Community Advisory Council Minutes

Feb. 6, 2024 Public Meeting

Manchester Library Meeting Room

Members in Attendance: Carol Malmquist (Chair & Northern Neighborhoods), Carrilu Thompson (Manchester Community Association), Susan Shaw (Port of Manchester), Sharon Holst (Colchester Neighborhood), Russ Higgins (Alaska Neighborhood), Gentry Brierly (At-Large), O Ray Pardo (Friends of the Manchester Library)

Excused Absences: Janelle Overton, Ana Langone, Amber Brown

Guests: Debra Knodel, Jim Brewer, Nicole Delcuze, Matthew Sowers

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Carol at 6:31 pm.

Guest Speakers:

Christy DeGeus of Kitsap County Public Works and Traffic Operations Supervisor Susan Goudy spoke on the county's American Disabilities Act Transition Plan as required to comply with the federal Public Right of Way Accessibility Guidelines. Public Works will focus on pedestrian facilities such as sidewalks, curb ramps, and pedestrian push buttons. They are seeking community members with physical disabilities or people from organizations representing such to serve on the ADA Transition Advisory Committee.

For more information: <https://www.kitsap.gov/pw/Pages/ADA.aspx>

I. Administrative Items

Approval of the minutes from the January 2024 meeting: Sharon (motion), Carrilu (second); minutes approved.

II. Business Items

A. Elections of officers:

Chair: Carol - Sharon (motion), Ray (second); Carol elected chair.

Co-chair: Janelle - Sharon (motion), Gentry (second); Janelle elected co-chair.

B. The MCAC Work Plan for 2024 was offered for consideration. There was a motion to approve: Ray (motion), Carrilu (second); 2024 Work Plan approved.

C. The Traffic and Safety Subcommittee request to the county for funding of 300 reflective vests and 50 reflective pet collars sparked a discussion of whether donations should offset the cost.

III. Announcements and Public Comments

A. Jim Brewer asked about the planned increase in sewer rates.

B. The next meeting of the MCAC will be held March 5.

C. There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 pm: Sharon (motion), Gentry (second); meeting adjourned.