

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office:	Agenda date	Assigned to:
Originator: County Executive	PK	1-31-96	RECEIVED FEB 14 1996 WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL	2/20/96	Council Introduction
Division Head:	JAR	1-31-96		3/5/96	Hearing
Dept. Head:					
Prosecutor:	Rov	2-5-96			
Purchasing/Budget:					
Executive:	PK	2-12-96			

SUBJECT:

Ordinance broadening the scope of the ADA Compliance Committee

ATTACHMENTS:

Draft ordinance

SUMMARY STATEMENT: *Please complete sections of box as appropriate & explain the item below.*

Related County contract #:	Should Clerk schedule a hearing? NO / / YES /XX/ Requested date: 3/5/96
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The county has adopted an ADA plan which lists structural changes to facilities that will be undertaken over a 5-year period to achieve program accessibility. The plan recommends that the county 'establish a policy that the ADA coordinator work with the department ADA liaisons and with the ADA committee each year from 1995 through 1999 to determine the priority of ADA projects and submit them to the Executive for budgetary consideration'. The ADA committee requests that this policy be adopted, and that the committee's role be broadened to act as an advisory council to the Executive regarding accessibility issues. Adopting this ordinance will allow the Executive to make better use of the existing ADA committee, and will ensure input from the community of people with disabilities in setting ADA budget priorities for the following year.

CLERK'S RECOMMENDED MOTION (for final action):

I move that the Council adopt the ordinance.

COMMITTEE ACTION TAKEN:

COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN:

1996-72-
 2/20/96: Introduced
 3/5/96: Amended and Approved 7-0. Ordinance 96-010

Related File Numbers:

Ordinance or Resolution Number (this item only):

Ord. 96-010

SPONSORED BY: Consent

PROPOSED BY: George Reid, ADA Coordinator

INTRODUCTION DATE: 2/20/96

ORDINANCE NO. 96-010

WHEREAS, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 requires Whatcom County to make its programs accessible to persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, as the chief person responsible for ensuring that county building projects comply with federal and state ADA requirements, has appointed an ADA Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, Whatcom County Ordinance No. 92-048 has established the ADA Compliance Committee to hear appeals to the ADA Coordinator's decisions regarding allegations of discrimination; and

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Council has adopted the Whatcom County ADA Transition Plan and Self Evaluation Plan on August 15, 1995; and

WHEREAS, the plan lists structural changes to facilities that will be undertaken over a five-year period to achieve program accessibility; and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes that the order of priorities on the implementation schedule of this plan is tentative, and that therefore additions, deletions, or changes may be necessary in the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that

The Executive shall direct each department and division to appoint an ADA liaison who will provide annually to the ADA Coordinator a list of accessibility problems to be considered for budgetary needs; and

The Executive shall direct the ADA Coordinator to work with the ADA Compliance Committee to determine the priority of ADA projects and submit them to the Executive for budgetary consideration; and

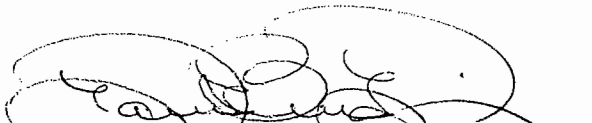
The scope of the ADA Compliance Committee's role shall be broadened to act as an advisory council to the Executive regarding ADA compliance issues; and

Monies identified by the Council to be used for accessibility purposes shall not be diverted to other purposes.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT the original ordinance Number 92-048, along with this amendment, be codified in the Whatcom County Code and the Clerk of the Council is to develop the appropriate chapter and section numbers and titles as necessary.

ADOPTED this 5 day of March, 1996.


ATTEST:


Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

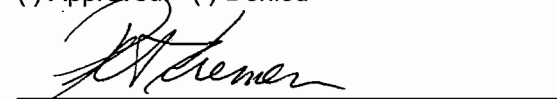
WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


L. Ward Nelson, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Civil Deputy Prosecutor

() Approved () Denied


Pete Kremen, Executive

Date: 3-13-96