



## City of Abilene

### Mayor's Advisory Board for People with Disabilities Agenda

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Mayor's Advisory Board for People with Disabilities of City of Abilene to be held on May 12, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. at City Hall, 555 Walnut Street, Council Chambers, Abilene, Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items.

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments on Any Item on the Agenda

#### MINUTES

1. Approval of Minutes (Discussion and Action)

#### AGENDA ITEMS

2. City Mission and Board Resolution (Discussion)
3. Champions Day at Adventure Cove (Discussion)
4. Dream Night at Abilene Zoo (Discussion)
5. Special Events Accessibility Checklist (Discussion)
6. CityLink Report (Discussion)
7. Upcoming Board Topics (Discussion)

- This item allows board members to recommend topics to be included and discussed at future board meetings.

#### ADJOURNMENT

#### *Notice*

*In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Abilene will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending meetings. To better serve you, requests should be received forty-eight (48) hours prior to scheduled meetings. Please contact the City Secretary's Office at 325-676-6208. Telecommunication device for the deaf is 325-676-6360.*

#### **CERTIFICATION**

*I hereby certify the above meeting notice was posted on the bulletin board at the City Hall of the City of Abilene, Texas, on the 6th day of May, 2026, at 10:40 a.m.*

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*Kaitlin Richardson, Deputy City  
Secretary, TRMC*

# City Mission and Board Resolution





## City Mission

"We work together to build a community of the highest quality for present and future generations."



**RESOLUTION NO. 132-2017**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS,  
ESTABLISHING THE CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD FOR PEOPLE WITH  
DISABILITIES.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Abilene seeks to build and maintain a community of the highest quality for present and future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Abilene must fully understand the barriers to access for those citizen who are disabled; and

**WHEREAS**, a Citizen's Advisory Board for People with Disabilities will serve as an advisory board and a voice for those with disabilities to help shape and craft a more accessible community,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
ABILENE, TEXAS:**

- PART I:** That there is hereby established the Citizen's Advisory Board for People with Disabilities for the City of Abilene, Texas.
- PART2:** That the purpose of the Board is to serve as n point of contact and a voice for the residents of the City of Abilene to the City Council concerning matters of accessibility, use, and benefit to persons with disabilities, to review and discuss matters referred to the Board by the City Council and the City Manager, and to provide recommendations to the City Council.
- PART3:** That the Board shall be comprised of seven (7) voting members, who will be appointed by an affirmative vote of at least four members of the City Council. All voting members of the board shall be residents of the City of Abilene.
- PART4:** That the Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator for the City of Abilene, or his or her designee, shall be an ex officio, non-voting member of the Board and may act in an advisory capacity to the Board.
- PART5:** That the Board shall follow the Rules of Procedure adopted by the City Council, as applicable, for its rules of procedure, except as may be modified by this Resolution.
- PART6:** That the Board shall meet as requested by the City Council or City Manager, but in any event shall meet in January and July of each year.
- PART7:** That this Resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED this 26th day of October, 2017**

ATTEST:

  
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Tiffni Herrera, Interim City Secretary

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Anthony Williams, Mayor

APPROVED:

  
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Stanley Smith, City Attorney

# Champions Day at Adventure Cove





# Champions Day

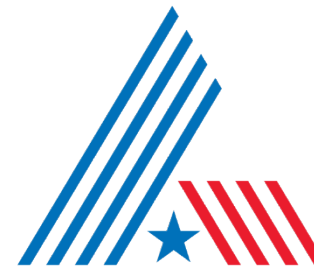
**Champions Day**  
**June 20<sup>th</sup> & July 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00 AM - 11:00 AM**  
**Free Admission**  
for guests with disabilities  
**50% Off**  
for up to 4 family members

[abilenetx.gov/aquatics](http://abilenetx.gov/aquatics)

**Adventure COVE**

**PARKS & RECREATION**  
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# Dream Night at the Abilene Zoo





# Dream Night



- Dream night is a special after-hours event for children with special needs, chronic illness or disabilities.
- During this evening event, families receive free admission, complimentary train and carousel rides, giraffe encounters, hands-on education and animal interactions.
- June 5th, beginning at 6:00 PM



# Special Events Accessibility Checklist





# City of Abilene Special Event Accessibility Checklist

## General

- Please indicate an emergency contact table with phone #
- Is there a designated location for power wheelchairs to charge?
- Are there accessible walkways available?
- Is there a designated quiet area?
- Will ADA accessible bathrooms be available?
- Is there an area for service dogs to rest and/or relieve themselves?
- Have you provided a Request for Accommodation Statement within all marketing materials? (i.e., “If an ADA accommodation is needed, please contact [name of contact person and phone number] at least 72 hours before the event.”)
- Is there a plan in place to provide sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, Braille, or other alternative formats, if needed?





# Accessibility Checklist Cont'd

- Have staff, volunteers, or others been trained on appropriate ways to assist people with disabilities?
- Are all food and beverage vendors located on an accessible path of travel?
- Are all sales counters at a height of 34 inches or less and cane detectable?
- Are 5 % of all tables in the eating area accessible?
- Are all displays and/or exhibits located on an accessible path of travel?
- Is there a minimum 5 -foot turning space in front of, or inside of, an exhibit area?
- If seating is provided to the general public, are there varied seating choices for people who use wheelchairs or other mobility equipment?
- Is companion seating available next to the space for the person using the mobility equipment?





# Accessibility Checklist Cont'd

- Is proper signage in place identifying the accessible path, toilets, parking, and seating accommodations?
- Are there a minimum of 5%, but not less than a 1%, accessible portable toilet units?
- Are all cords, wires, hoses, etc., that are located within a path of travel ramped or placed within a cord cover? (If tape is used, colored tape is required)

## Parade

- Designated area promoted for ADA viewing area
- Food trucks near ADA area
- Signage that says designated ADA viewing area
- Have you spoken with vendors about the need for them to be accessible?
- Do you have a parking plan with designated accessible parking spaces and/or a designated loading/unloading area?



# CityLink Report



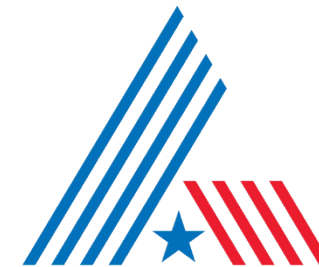


# CityLink Report



## CityLink ADA Metric Report

PARATRANSIT ADA-PASSENGERS	Jun-2025	Jul-2025	Aug-2025	Sep-2025	Oct-2025	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26	Apr-26
BA1	1,360	2,347	2,102	2,500	3,006	2647	2770	2585	3216	3267	3217
BA2	65	81	74	72	67	39	95	350	586	545	529
ADA PCAs	98	190	199	155	233	98	100	111	Jul-03	124	167
Guests	23	34	36	36	32	16	36	10	12	13	10
Citylink ADA Trips	1,546	2,652	2,411	2,763	3,338	2800	3001	3056			
Number of Trip Denials	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of on time trips	1,899	1,832	1,570	1,825	2,659	2630	2398	1474	2387	2819	2477
Percent On Time	79%	72%	69%	77%	85%	87%	88.60%	87.03	70.33	81.49	72.95
ADA Certifications											
ADA Paratransit Applications Received	69	79	63	40	33	27	25	41	43	32	24
ADA Applications Denied	10	11	6	2	1	3	0	3	5	5	5
ADA Applications Processed Late	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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# Upcoming Board Topics

