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Snohomish County Public Works Americans with Disability Act Citizen Advisory Committee Seeks Two New Members

Committee provides feedback for ADA compliance of pedestrian facilities in the public right-of-way

EVERETT, Wash., May 30, 2018 – Mobility is extremely important to quality of life and safety. Making sure all residents have the same pedestrian access is essential to providing those elements. The Americans with Disability Act (ADA) Public Right-of-Way Citizen Advisory Committee for Snohomish County Public Works provides feedback and recommendations to the county on the ADA compliance of pedestrian facilities in the public right-of-way. County leaders are seeking candidate letters of interest for two open positions on the committee by June 23, 2018.

“This committee is vital in helping us to identify the pedestrian infrastructure needs of all residents,” Snohomish County Public Works Director Steve Thomsen said. “Volunteers must have an interest in ensuring equal access to pedestrian facilities is afforded to all residents.”

The county is also working on an ADA transition plan to upgrade existing pedestrian facilities which the committee is helping to complete.

The committee is comprised of eight positions that are non-paid, with a two-year term. The group meets for up to two hours, at least four times a year, at the county’s downtown Everett campus with Public Works staff. Accommodations will be made for members with disabilities.

A volunteer must be a Snohomish County resident and should have a basic understanding of the history and requirements of the ADA. Those who are selected must submit to a criminal background check before being officially appointed to serve. The two new committee members will be chosen by the county engineer and current committee members.

Perspective committee volunteers should submit a letter of interest that includes their name, address, and contact information along with the preferred method of contact or communication. Include a brief summary of the qualifications of the individual or an explanation of how the individual would bring value to the committee.

Submissions can be sent to:

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Everett, WA 98201

If an alternative format is needed, contact Pam by phone at (425) 388-6438 (for TTY dial 711 first) or email at Pamela.McCurdy@snoco.org.

Volunteers appointed to the committee will be notified by the end July 2018. It is anticipated the newly appointed committee members will participate in their first regular meeting during September of 2018.

More information regarding this committee, including proposed committee by-laws and other ADA related resources, can be accessed at the Public Works ADA website at snohomishcountywa.gov/ADAPROW.

About Snohomish County Public Works

The Snohomish County Public Works Department constructs and maintains county roads; controls and manages surface water quantity, quality, and fish habitats; and oversees the recycling and disposal of solid waste. The department's main office is located at 3000 Rockefeller Ave., Everett, WA 98201. For more information about Snohomish County Public Works, visit www.snohomishcountywa.gov/PublicWorks.

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