



DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD

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AGENDA

Standing Committee on Facility Access Meeting

Location: Virtual Location Via Zoom

Date: November 10, 2020

Time: 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Introductions
- III. A. Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 3, 2020
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Document Reviews and Implementation of Fee Schedule – Update
 - B. Update on 2021 Disability Access Conference
 - C. Update on Facility Access Unit Basic Training Seminars
- V. New Business
 - A. Interpretive Opinion DCAB 2020-02 Elevator Location
- VI. Open Forum
- VII. Next Meeting: TBD
- VIII. Adjournment

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mezzanines in multi-story buildings. The 2010 ADA Standards does not specifically require elevators or indicate a specific placement for elevators. The 2010 ADA Standards are also silent on travel distance. Section 206.3 does state that "Accessible routes shall coincide with or be located in the same area as general circulation paths. Where circulation paths are interior, required accessible routes shall also be interior." This provision does provide vague direction about accessible route characteristics. The technical assistance from the U.S. Access Board confirmed staff research. The Department of Justice (DOJ) was contacted on October 2, 2020 and we are waiting for a response. The staff recommended ruling is;

Elevators may be shared between multi-story facilities provided that all of the following are met:

1. For each story, the "environmental" route characteristics of the accessible route leading to the shared elevator coincides with the "environmental" route characteristics of the general circulation route that leads to the stair(s) that connects stories.
2. For each story, the length of the accessible route to the elevator door from the nearest stair in each facility that connects stories does not exceed the total combined travel length of ramp runs and landings (including change in direction landings) that would be needed if a ramp were used to connect the shortest story within each facility.

Committee members requested the addition of examples to explain or define environmental characteristics. The Committee members also indicated that the response from the DOJ should be included in the request before a decision is made.

Interpretive Opinion DCAB 2020-02 Elevator Location was tabled until the next Standing Committee on Facility Access meeting in order to wait for the response from the DOJ and to add some examples to the recommended ruling.

VI. Open Forum

There were no items raised.

VII. Next Meeting

Next Meeting: January 7, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

VIII. The meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

NOTE: All votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Respectfully submitted,



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