



# DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD

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## AGENDA

### Standing Committee on Parking Meeting

Location: Virtual Location Via Zoom

Date: March 11, 2021

Time: 9:30 a.m.

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the January 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes
- III. Old Business
  - A. Placard Renewal Statistics – Update
  - B. Death Records Crossmatch – Update
  - C. Public Education Efforts
    - Survey of Permittees
    - Webpage for Reporting Placard or Access Aisle Abuse
  - D. Amendments to Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 11, Chapter 219 “Parking for Persons with Disabilities” – Update
    - Disabled Paid Parking Exemption Permit (DPPEP)
    - Application Form
  - E. Proposed State Legislation - Motor Vehicle Registration Dollar Bill – Update
- IV. New Business
  - A. Meeting with State and County Parking Enforcement Agencies
  - B. Memorandums of Agreement with County Issuing Agencies (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023)
- V. Open Forum: Public comment on issues not on the agenda for consideration for Committee’s agenda at the next meeting
- VI. Next Meeting

## VII. Adjournment

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## MINUTES

### Standing Committee on Parking Meeting

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Date: March 11, 2021

PRESENT: Summer Kozai, Chairperson; Pauline Aughe, Violet Horvath, Gerald Ohta; Board members; Bryan Mick, Romala Sue Radcliffe, Kamaile Hopfe, Staff

GUEST: Jason Moore

I. Chairperson Summer Kozai called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

II. The Committee approved the January 12, 2021 meeting minutes (M/S/P Horvath/Aughe).

III. Old Business

A. Placard Renewal Statistics

Bryan Mick reported Governor Ige's COVID-19 related suspension of placard expiration dates ended as of February 15, 2021.

He also reported for the two months of the third quarter of fiscal year 2020-2021, 2,953 long term placards and 101 license plates were issued. The long-term placard renewal rate was sixty seven percent.

This fiscal year's total number of renewals is lower than prior years due to the effect of transitioning from the four-year permits to six year placards. This created a dead period in the cycle where people that would been eligible for renewal in 2021 are instead eligible in 2023.

B. Death Records Crossmatch

Of the 5,500 letters which were sent to the estates in November 2020 to request the return of the parking permits, 1,982, permits were returned to DCAB. Seven hundred fifty nine letters were undeliverable. The estates reported to DCAB that three hundred fifty permits were lost or had been discarded.

C. Public Education Efforts

Survey of Permittees

Members reviewed the tabulation and comments from 2,607 permittees on finding accessible parking spaces.

Committee member Violet Horvath suggested showing all the results with pie charts.

Survey responses showed that finding an available accessible parking space at shopping centers and malls, big box stores, and airports is difficult. Committee member Violet Horvath suggested the results of the survey be shared with merchants. Bryan Mick said the results will be shared with the Retail Merchants of Hawaii, the Chamber of Commerce, and with members of the Legislature. By securing community-wide support for more accessible stalls, an effort to create a bill requiring additional accessible stalls could be introduced for the 2022 legislative session. A bill was introduced a few sessions ago striving to do this, but DCAB had concerns with the mathematical formula in the bill for calculating minimum number of accessible parking spaces and the bill was eventually deferred. Many permittees also reported observing accessible parking spaces that lack access aisles.

Committee member Violet Horvath suggested DCAB use the permittee's responses in an educational piece to inform the public about what qualifies an applicant for a permit as some users do not have readily visible disabilities.

A discussion was held on electric vehicle and accessible parking spaces reserved signage.

Committee member Gerald Ohta thanked staff for their efforts on creating, distributing, and analyzing DCAB's community parking survey.

#### Webpage for Reporting Placard or Access Aisle Abuse

The DCAB webpage is active and is being utilized. The webpage was mentioned in an article in the "Honolulu Star Advertiser."

D. Amendments to Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 11, Chapter 219, "Parking for Persons with Disabilities" - Update

The draft rules were reviewed by the Small Business Regulatory Review Board for their approval to hold a public hearing. Approval was granted. A public hearing is set for April 8, 2021. Committee Chairperson Summer Kozai will preside at the public hearing.

#### Disability Paid Parking Exemption Permit (DPPEP)

Purchasing the green colored placards is going through the formal procurement process.

#### Application Form

The 2021 application form will be printed by June and it will include all three types of parking permits: temporary, long term and DPPEP. This form includes updated eligibility criteria for any parking permit, the physician, or Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) must indicate both the diagnostic condition and its functional impact. This two-step process will

hopefully prevent applicants with non-qualifying disabilities from being certified for a parking permit. The DPPEP section of the form requires a second signature by a physician or APRN that certifies the applicant is unable to reach or operate a meter or unattended pay station due to a disability.

E. Proposed State Legislation -Motor Vehicle Registration Dollar Bill – Update

The effort to secure a dedicated funding source for the parking program by adding one dollar to the amount collected from all annual vehicle registrations in Hawaii was included in Governor Ige's 2021 bill package and was also introduced by a member of the House of Representatives and by a Senator. None of the bills were scheduled for a hearing.

IV. New Business

A. Meeting with State and County Parking Enforcement Agencies

A Zoom meeting was held with Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Transportation, Department of Accounting and General Services, and County Police Department representatives on January 15, 2021 to discuss the new DPPEP, volunteer special enforcement officer programs, clarification on jurisdictions, electric vehicle and accessible parking spaces and veteran's license plates. This group wants to meet twice a year to discuss issues on enforcement.

B. Memorandum of Agreement

The Memorandums of Agreement (MOA) to issue parking permits are signed every two years by the Counties and DCAB. The 2021-2023 MOAs were mailed to the Counties during the second week of January. DCAB received Hawaii County's MOA and is following up on the other three Counties.

V. Open Forum

Bryan Mick sent two hundred renewal reminder e-mail to permittees this month.

Committee member Violet Horvath asked if DCAB has an official position in support of Universal Design. She supports it as it creates more equality and benefits many other groups of people other than people with disabilities such as people with strollers and elderly people. Universal Design means designing all products and the built environment to be aesthetic and usable to the greatest extent possible by everyone, regardless of their age, ability, or status in life. Bryan Mick replied he was not aware of DCAB taking an official stance on Universal Design but suggested she inquire with DCAB's Executive Director.

VI. Next Parking Committee Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2021, at 9:30 a.m.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

NOTE: All votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Respectfully submitted,

*Romala Sue Radcliffe*

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