



# DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

### Disability and Communication Access Board

#### Executive Committee Meeting

October 27, 2025

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

#### AGENDA

The Disability and Communication Access Board (DCAB) will be meeting remotely using interactive conference technology. The public is welcome to participate as follows.

#### **Public In-Person Meeting Location**

Kamamalu Building  
1010 Richards Street, Room 118  
Honolulu, HI 96813

#### **Participate Virtually via Zoom**

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agenda item before the Committee deliberates on the item. After all public comment or testimony is presented, the Committee shall deliberate on the agenda item without further comment or testimony from the public unless further public comment or testimony is requested by the Committee.

**Written Testimony** - To ensure the public as well as Committee members are able to review testimony prior to the meeting, we request written testimony be submitted 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting date and time.

- By email to: [dcab@doh.hawaii.gov](mailto:dcab@doh.hawaii.gov)
- By U.S. Postal Mail:  
Attention: Executive Director, Disability and Communication Access Board, 1010 Richards Street, Room 118, Honolulu, HI 96813
- By facsimile to: (808) 586-8129

## **AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order  
Review Remote Meeting Procedures
  - This meeting is being recorded.
  - A quorum of Board members is required to be visible on screen.
  - If quorum is not achieved at the beginning of the meeting or quorum is lost, the meeting will be stopped and cancelled.
  - If a Board member leaves the meeting, the Board member will need to notify the Chairperson.
  - Raise hand to speak unless called upon.
  - Identify yourself before speaking.
- II. Roll Call/Introductions
- III. Statement from Public and Written Testimonies Submitted
- IV. Ratify the October 3, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- V. Status of Executive Director
- VI. Schedule of Committee Meetings for Fiscal Year 2025-2026
- VII. Establishment of a Permitted Interaction Committee to Review the Programs and Services Manual
- VIII. Open Forum: Public comment on issues not on the agenda for consideration for the Board's agenda at the next meeting.
- IX. Next Committee Meeting
- X. Adjournment

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The agenda and meeting materials for this meeting are available for inspection at DCAB's office located at 1010 Richards Street, Room 118, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 and on DCAB's website at: <https://health.hawaii.gov/dcab/dcab-agendas-and-minutes/>.



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### **DRAFT MINUTES** **Executive Committee Meeting**

Location: Virtual via Zoom and 1010 Richards Street, Room 118  
Date: October 3, 2024  
Time: 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Violet Horvath, Chairperson; Gerald Isobe, Marie Kimmey, Summer Kozai, Board Members; Kirby Shaw, Kristine Pagano, Bryan Mick, Romala Radcliffe, Staff

ABSENT: Charlotte Townsend, Board Member

GUESTS: Tosa Lobendahn, Sen. San Buenaventura's Office; Alberto Perez

#### SIGN LANGUAGE

INTERPRETERS: Mala Arkin and Jackie Gonzalez

#### REAL TIME

CAPTIONERS: April Chandler and Kelly DeCamp

- I. Chairperson Violet Horvath called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.
- II. Board members, staff, guests, sign language interpreters, and real time captioners introduced themselves.
- III. Chairperson Violet Horvath reported no written public testimony was submitted.
- IV. New Business

- A. United States Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board Notice of Proposed Rulemaking – Accessibility of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations.

Bryan Mick reported that the Standing Committee on Parking met prior to the Executive Committee and provided an update on the Parking Committee's discussion. The Committee voted to have DCAB's comments support universal design while also recommending the "use last" model for determining the minimum number of accessible electric vehicle (EV) charging spaces if universal design is not implemented. Additionally, the Parking Committee voted to include the following responses to the questions posed in the notice:

1. **The Board seeks input on the proposed number of EV charging spaces (four or fewer) which would exempt a site from reserving the**

**accessible space for a person with a disability. Is there a reason to increase or decrease the proposed number of spaces?**

DCAB supports maintaining the current proposal of four or fewer spaces exempting sites from reserving an accessible space.

**2. The Board seeks public input on the approach of requiring 100 percent of EV chargers to have an accessible user interface.**

DCAB endorses the requirement for 100 percent of EV chargers to feature an accessible user interface, supporting the proposal as it stands.

**3. The Board seeks information on the costs of providing accessible user interfaces at EV charging stations, specifically the cost per EV charger, and how the cost per unit would be affected by the requirement that all EV chargers have accessible interfaces at an EV charger.**

DCAB defers to EV charging station manufacturers for insights on costs but notes that this technology is already prevalent in many devices.

**4. Are there any safety concerns with requiring connectors to be operable in accordance with 309.4?**

DCAB defers to automotive and EV charging station manufacturers regarding safety concerns.

**5. Are there connectors currently on the market that comply with 309.4?**

DCAB defers to EV charging station manufacturers for information on compliant connectors currently available on the market.

**6. Is it possible to activate a connector with less than 5 pounds of force?**

DCAB defers this question to EV charging station manufacturers.

**7. Are adapters for alternate connectors provided by the EV Charging station or do individuals bring adapters with them if the EV Charger connector is not compatible with their vehicle?**

DCAB believes that individuals should provide adapters for alternate connectors, rather than placing this responsibility on public accommodations.

**8. Do any EV chargers currently on the market use a cable management system?**

DCAB defers to EV charging station manufacturers but emphasizes the importance of cable lengths being sufficient to reach electric vehicle ports, which lack a standard location.

**9. Is there any other new technology the Board should consider besides a cable management system to ensure that the cable can be moved into place by a person with a disability?**

DCAB defers to EV charging station manufacturers for considerations beyond cable management systems to facilitate cable maneuverability for persons with disabilities.

**10. Should the Board consider requiring a different threshold for the cable management system instead of 5 pounds?**

DCAB defers to EV charging station manufacturers regarding the appropriateness of a different threshold than 5 pounds for cable management systems.

The Executive Committee voted to approve the Standing Committee on Parking suggested comments for submittal to the United States Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board before the November 4, 2024 deadline (M/S/P Kozai/Isobe).

V. The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

All votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Respectfully submitted,

KIRBY SHAW