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Stamford Access 4 All, Mayor's Committee
Meeting Date: 1/14/16, 12:30pm
Location: Mayor's Conference Room, 10th Floor

Attending: F. Mercede, M. Levine, P. Magalnick, E. Bromley, L. Carlson, M. Katcher, P. Healy, R. Rios Nino, K. Burbank

M I N U T E S

1. FJ will get November meeting minutes from Amy LiVolsi for review at next meeting.
2. Marty reported that assessment teams are moving forward. Government Center has been reviewed completely and issues have been identified. Preliminary findings are expected shortly. We need to begin to specify costs and needs for spring budget request. IHCD should also review Building Department process for plan review to ensure it is adequate to confirm compliancy.
3. Press event to be held January 26 at 10am to announce new Starbucks handicap access ramp at Ferguson Library. Frank will email invitation to all committee members. He encouraged everyone to attend, if possible. Libby will develop news release with A4A information in advance of event and quotes from Mayor, etc. Hoping for positive publicity.
4. Marty explained that we need to determine if there is a company locally that can provide transportation to guests in wheelchairs at area hotels. Agreed this needs to be added to accessibility training for hotel front desk staff. Ellen will research rules.
5. Ellen will check on Hotel Zero ramp and the "permitted variance" process during renovations.
6. Ellen will check with Eileen Heaphy on status of sidewalk ordinance.
7. Committee members are still keeping track of violations. It was recommended that the ADA Compliance Officer send a letter to violators advising them of isolated complaints. Process needs to be systematized. Ellen and Marty will work together to draft correspondence for consideration. Marty will also set up meeting to discuss with Ernie.
8. **Next A4A Committee meeting is rescheduled for Wednesday, 2/24/16, at 12:30pm.** Kris will issue cancellation notice for 2/11 meeting and special meeting announcement for 2/24.