

Resolution from the Committee for Persons with Disabilities with recommendations to the Corpus Christi City Council regarding the City's Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Operating and Capital Budget.

Whereas, the Committee for Persons with Disabilities was established for the purpose of carrying on a program to encourage, assist, and enable persons with disabilities to participate in the social and economic life of the City; to achieve maximum personal independence; to become gainfully employed; and to enjoy fully and use all public and private facilities available within the community, and

Whereas, the Committee for Persons with Disabilities serves as an advisory body to the City Council and City Manager regarding issues affecting the persons with disabilities in Corpus Christi, and

Whereas, the Committee for Persons with Disabilities is to recommend to the Mayor, City Council, and City Manager measures aimed at improving the abilities of City Departments and contractors to provide access to services, employment opportunities, and programs for persons with disabilities, and

Whereas, City Council will consider first reading of the Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Operating and Capital Budget on September 2, 2025, and a second reading on September 9, 2025, and

Whereas, the Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Operating and Capital Budget addresses City Council and community priorities and affects the ability of persons with disabilities to participate in the social and economic life of the City; to achieve maximum personal independence; to become gainfully employed; and to enjoy fully and use all public and private facilities available within the community.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES THAT:

SECTION 1. The Committee asks the City Council to consider persons with disabilities seen and unseen while acting on the Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Operating and Capital Budget regarding:

- Accessibility of City owned facilities that are open to the public (i.e. Corpus Christi International Airport, City libraries, City senior centers, etc.);
- Development of inclusive programs and services in collaboration with City departments;
- General inclusive mobility via sidewalks, crosswalks, and public transportation; and
- Accessibility of City-owned green spaces and parks.

SECTION 2. The Committee asks the City Council to consider persons with disabilities seen and unseen while making budget decisions for capital improvements, programs, and services that may include:

- Adult-size changing stations in restrooms within public facilities;
- Communication boards in public spaces such as parks and libraries;
- Consideration for persons with disabilities among the City's unhoused population;
- Public outreach campaigns informing the local persons with disabilities population how to access community services; and
- Training on how to serve persons with disabilities for the following sectors: public safety, health, housing, unhoused, and commercial.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the _____ day of _____, 2025

ATTEST:

Imelda Trevino, Chairperson

Jennifer Buxton, Liaison