



## City of Hamilton

# ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES REVISED

**Meeting #:** 19-006  
**Date:** July 9, 2019  
**Time:** 4:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Room 192 and 193, City Hall  
71 Main Street West

Alicia Davenport, Legislative Coordinator (905) 546-2424 ext. 2729

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### 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Please be advised that the vote taken by ballot at the last Committee meeting to select the Chair and Vice-Chair was in violation of the Section 244 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and Section 3.13 (11) of the Procedural By-law 18-270.

“No vote shall be taken by ballot or by any other method of secret voting and every vote so taken is of no effect, except where permitted by statute”

In this case, the ballot votes taken at the last Committee meeting, are null and void and will have to be retaken and voted on by show of hands.

### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(Added Items, if applicable, will be noted with \*)

### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 June 11, 2019

### 5. COMMUNICATIONS

### 6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

## 7. CONSENT ITEMS

## 8. PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS

## 9. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

\*9.1 Adaptive Bike Share

## 10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

10.1 Establishment of Working Group Memberships (deferred from the June 11, 2019 meeting) (no copy)

Committees can create working groups or task forces to assist in the research or review of a given item and it reports its findings back to the Committee. A working group is normally comprised of Committee Members, however, when required, volunteers may be called upon for their expertise to assist a working group by providing required information. Working groups operate by consensus and formal motions are not required. Administrative support shall not be available to working groups and consequently, the preparation of agendas, minutes and meeting requirements shall be the responsibility of the working group, if required. Support staff shall not be required to attend working group meetings (excerpt from the Advisory Committee Handbook, September 2018 edition).

10.1.a Built Environment Working Group

10.1.b Housing Issues Working Group

10.1.c Outreach Working Group

10.1.d Transportation Working Group

10.1.e Wheelchair and Scooter Safety Working Group

\*10.1.f Disability and Environmental Justice Working Group

\*10.1.g Community Safety Working Group

- 10.2 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Budget (deferred from the June 11, 2019 meeting) (no copy)
- 10.3 Appointment of Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area Accessibility Advisory Committee (GTHA AAC) Representative (deferred from the June 11, 2019 meeting) (no copy)
- 10.4 Notice of Ministry Training Webinar for Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committees (deferred from the June 11, 2019 meeting)

\*10.5 Accessible Pedestrian Signals Video (no copy)

**11. MOTIONS**

**12. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS**

**14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**



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**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH  
DISABILITIES**

**Minutes 19-005**

**4:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, June 11, 2019**

**Rooms 192 and 193, City Hall**

**71 Main Street West**

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**Present:** S. Aaron, J. Cardno, L. Dingman, A. Frisina, S. Geffros,  
A. Mallet, C. McBride, M. McNeil, T. Murphy, K. Nolan,  
T. Nolan, A. Wilson

**Absent**  
**with regrets:** J. Hawker

**Also Present:** J. Bowen, Supervisor, Diversity and Inclusion  
Sergeant S. Moore, Hamilton Police Service

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**FOR INFORMATION:**

**(a) APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR (Item 1)**

The vote to select a Chair and Vice-Chair was taken by ballot, in violation of the Section 244 of the Municipal Act, 2001 and Section 3.13 (11) of the Procedural By-law 18-270. As such, the ballot votes taken at the Committee meeting are null and void and will be retaken and voted on by show of hands at the July 9, 2019 meeting.

**(b) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)**

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda:

**1. STAFF PRESENTATIONS****9.2. Media Best Practices**

Staff requested to be moved up on the agenda to be considered immediately following Item 4.1.

**2. DISCUSSION ITEMS****10.4. Notice of Ministry Training Webinar for Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committees****(Cardno/McNeil)**

That the agenda for the June 11, 2019 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED****(c) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**(d) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 4)****(i) May 14, 2019 (Item 4.1)****(T. Nolan/Cardno)**

That the minutes of the May 14, 2019 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 9)**

**(i) Media Best Practices (Item 9.2)**

Jacqueline Durlov, Communications Officer, addressed the Committee respecting Media Best Practices, with the aid of a presentation.

**(T. Nolan/Dingman)**

That the presentation, respecting Media Best Practices, be received.

**CARRIED**

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website at [www.hamilton.ca](http://www.hamilton.ca) or through the Office of the City Clerk.

**(f) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)**

**(i) Correspondence from Jamie McGarvey, AMO President, in Response to the Mayor's Letter respecting Council's Resolution Requesting Support for a Pilot Program for the City of Hamilton to Meet AODA Requirements and to Prioritize Accessibility Priorities in Canada and Ontario Infrastructure Programs (referred from Council – May 8 & 9, 2019) (Item 5.1)**

**(Cardno/K. Nolan)**

That the correspondence from Jamie McGarvey, AMO President, in Response to the Mayor's Letter respecting Council's Resolution Requesting Support for a Pilot Program for the City of Hamilton to Meet AODA Requirements and to Prioritize Accessibility Priorities in Canada and Ontario Infrastructure Programs, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(g) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)**

- (i) Transportation Working Group Meeting Notes - April 30, 2019 (Item 7.1)**

**(K. Nolan/McNeil)**

That the Transportation Working Group Notes of April 30, 2019, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(h) STAFF PRESENTATIONS – CONTINUED (Item 9)**

- (i) Orientation for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 9.1)**

A training video for City of Hamilton Committee Members was shown. The video can be accessed via the following link: <https://youtu.be/X-o4EeOxFE0>

Jessica Bowen, Supervisor, Diversity and Inclusion, addressed the Committee respecting the City's Harassment and Discrimination Prevention Policy and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA), with the aid of a presentation.

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website at [www.hamilton.ca](http://www.hamilton.ca) or through the Office of the City Clerk.

**(K. Nolan/McNeil)**

That the training video and presentation, respecting an Orientation for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(i) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)****(T. Nolan/Wilson)**

That the following discussion items be deferred to the July 9, 2019 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting due to time constraints:

- (i) Establishment of Working Group Memberships (Item 10.1)
- (ii) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Budget (Item 10.2)
- (iii) Appointment of Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area Accessibility Advisory Committee (GTHA AAC) Representative (Item 10.3)
- (iv) Notice of Ministry Training Webinar for Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committees (Item 10.4)

**(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)****(Geffros/Wilson)**

That there being no further business, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia Davenport  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk



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# Adaptive Bike Share

— Creating more mobility options —

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# Who We Are

## Chelsea Cox -

Executive Director of Hamilton Bike Share Inc, the not for profit that hosts the **Everyone Rides Initiative**



## Peter Topalovic -

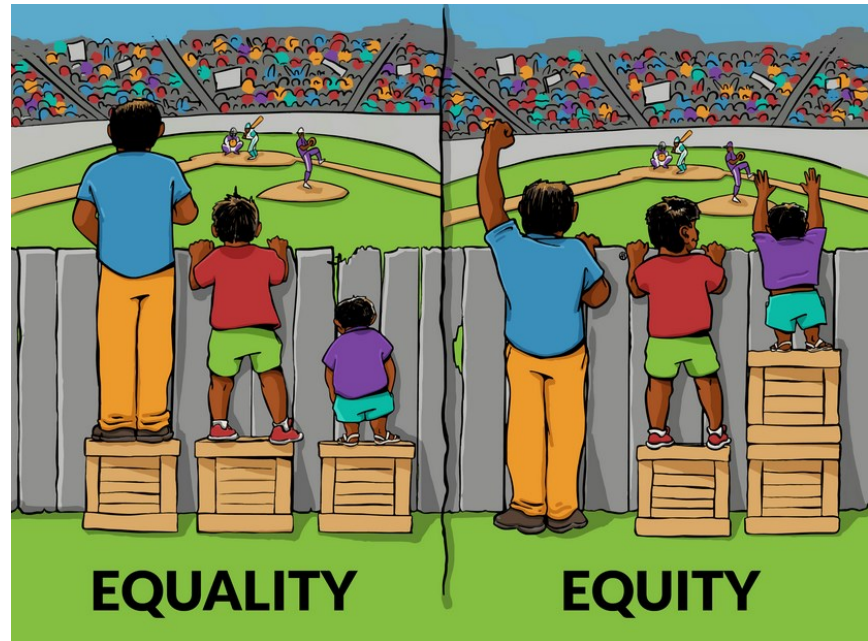
Program Manager of Sustainable Mobility Programs + Bike Share for the **City of Hamilton**



# Everyone Rides Initiative

Bike share and cycling equity program that removes barriers to people accessing bikes in Hamilton.

- Subsidized access
- Workshops, training, education
- Group rides
- Adaptive bike share



# Adaptive Bike Share - Everyone Rides Initiative

- Adaptive bike share = shared options for people with different abilities and bike needs.
- Bike types we are currently purchasing and/or investigating: trikes, ebikes (pedal assist), cargo bikes
- Who benefits: people who need more options than just the existing SoBi product - a much broader catchment.
  - Older adults
  - People with balance and mobility issues
  - People carrying cargo

# Current Adaptive Bike Share Options

- 5 trikes over 3 years (via Trillium funding)
- Includes managing access, ongoing maintenance, using them for skill-building workshops and group rides
- Working with partnering orgs
- Investigating different bike types and placement

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/trike-bike-share-hamilton-1.5185359>

## 'I'm a cyclist': SoBi adds trike to help people enjoy the freedom of biking



Phil Beauchamp said riding the trike was easy and fun

[Dan Taekema](#) · CBC News · Posted: Jun 22, 2019 6:01 AM ET | Last Updated: June 22



Phil Beauchamp tries out the new trike from the Everyone Rides Initiative during a picnic at Gage Park Friday. (Dan Taekema/CBC)

# City Adaptive Bike Share Pilot

- Sustainable Mobility team is working on a report to Council to establish an adaptive bike share pilot in partnership with Everyone Rides
- Pilot would include 10 adaptive bikes anchored around Gage Park and the Waterfront in the first phase of the pilot
- Users can access the bikes with sign up and account
- Collaboration from Public Health (Sharon MacKinnon) and the Everyone Rides Initiative and other partners
- Data will be collected to understand how the bikes are used, popular locations and how many people used them

# Engage Stakeholders

- Needs: bike types, uses
- Placement: accessible locations where the bikes can be utilized, including parks, recreational trails, and more
- Create survey and have more meetings to gather feedback: is there anything missing at this stage? Thoughts and ideas?
- We are seeking input on:
  - bike types
  - locations
  - uses (daily commutes, recreational, errands, etc)
  - cost to users

# Next Steps

- Follow up from our team
- Report to Council - October 3rd
- Further collaboration and engagement with partners
- Secure funding for implementation

Contact Chelsea: [chelsea@hamiltonbikeshare.ca](mailto:chelsea@hamiltonbikeshare.ca) 289-768-BIKE ext 3

Contact Peter: [peter.topalovic@hamilton.ca](mailto:peter.topalovic@hamilton.ca) 905-546-2424 ext 5129

**[www.everyonerides.org](http://www.everyonerides.org)**



# Added Item 10.1.f

## Proposal for the establishment of a working group to focus on disability justice in our climate emergency.

What does Disability Justice look like in the face of our climate crisis?

Here's what we know:

- Citizens and organizations successfully advocated to the city to declare a climate emergency. The City of Hamilton has recognized that we are in a climate emergency that will have massive financial, health, and environmental impacts, and in many ways already is.
- We are already experiencing more extreme weather events, flooding, and negative health impacts as a result of the climate crisis, these promise only to worsen.
- We must act radically and quickly to mitigate the worst of this crisis but even in the friendliest predictions adaption to our new more volatile climate will be necessary
- Disabled people and people with disabilities will in many ways be uniquely impacted, more severely impacted, and frequently among some of the first people significantly impacted because of sensitivities and health conditions, isolation, marginalization, and ableism.
- Disabled people and people with disabilities will not only be disproportionately impacted by the climate crisis but the climate crisis will cause or contribute to acquiring disability and/or health conditions (one example being poor air quality causing respiratory issues and/or cancers)
- Disabled people and people with disabilities already have knowledge that is valuable to adapting to the climate crisis (staying cool in the heat – especially with few resources, emergency preparedness, adapting to poor air quality, etc.).

What does a solution look like?

- Beyond necessary and unfortunately lacking mitigation efforts successful adaption to the climate crisis that includes a focus on disability justice would
  - o Recognize celebrate, compensate, encourage and share the contributions and knowledge disabled people and people with disabilities already possess.
  - o Centre those most marginalized and explore how adaption initiatives can not only be preparatory but act to reduce inequality in their creation and implementation.
  - o Solidarity with other marginalized groups in their struggles for justice especially indigenous land and water protectors who have been doing much of this work for generations at great personal and collective cost.
  - o Hold those responsible for creating this crisis accountable (financially, technologically, politically, and legally) in providing/funding solutions.
  - o Prioritize collective action over individual action (i.e. plastic straws which are a lifesaving accessibility technology have come under fire recently in efforts to reduce single use plastics, instead of creating additional barriers for people how could we as a City better address the issue of single use plastics holistically)

### What I am proposing:

- The ACPD creates a new working group that specifically focuses on disability justice in the context of a changing climate and our climate crisis. The goal would be to explore concerns like:
  - o Extreme weather events and impacts to mobility in the city;
  - o Emergency procedures (evacuation, extreme weather events, emergency communications etc.);
  - o Temperature Equity - heat islands/street trees/access to cooled spaces/ and health concerns relating to extreme hot and cold;
  - o Pollution/toxins and acquired disability and health concerns;
 and ideally push the city into proactive and important action.

### Further Reading:

- Declaration of Climate Emergency: <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/climate-change-1.5061326> and <https://www.raisethehammer.org/article/3633/hamilton-declares-climate-emergency>
- Heat Kills: <http://projects.thestar.com/climate-change-canada/quebec/>
- Toxins and acquired conditions: <https://www.thespec.com/news-story/9398464-mcgill-university-study-finds-hamilton-has-higher-than-average-rates-of-leukemia/> and <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2669065/>
- Inequity kills: <https://www.thespec.com/news-story/6140009-researchers-link-poverty-and-shorter-life-expectancy/>
- Climate crisis unique impact on disability: <https://blog.ucsusa.org/guest-commentary/climate-adaptation-adaptive-climate-justice-and-people-with-disabilities>

## Added Item 10.1.g

### Description/Rationale for a Community Safety Working Group:

- The City of Hamilton frequently has one of the highest reported rates of hate crimes;
- Weekly rallies at City Hall and the events preceding, at, and following Hamilton Pride have resulted in discussion regarding hate and hate crimes by Hamilton City Council;
- The alleged presence of a Hamilton Police Services officer from the Hate Crimes and Extremism Unit at a community meeting held by the LGBTQ Advisory Committee has resulted in increased mistrust and feeling unsafe amount members of marginalized communities;
- The City of Hamilton has proposed a Hate Incidence Prevention Policy, that amping many things increases surveillance for actions on city grounds

All of this to say how to respond to “hate” and fascism is becoming and increasingly prevalent conversation at Hamilton City council. While our primary function is to advise on accessibility, aspects of our mandate require to consider the well being and needs of disability community issues. Given that marginalized communities are the most impacted by these conversations we should be at the table.

I am proposing a working group to look at community safety so members of this committee and public members who wish to attend may have an avenue to address concerns in regards to safety.

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**Subject:** Notice of Webinar for Municipal AACs/Avis de webinaire à l'intention des CCA

**From:** Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility <[aoda.events@ontario.ca](mailto:aoda.events@ontario.ca)>

**Sent:** June 6, 2019 3:44 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** Notice of Webinar for Municipal AACs/Avis de webinaire à l'intention des CCA

*Le message en français suit le message en anglais*

**Attn:** Municipal Clerk

**Please distribute this information to your AAC committee members.**

**RE: Notice of Ministry Training Webinar for Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committees**

As a continuation of our Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) outreach strategy, the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility is pleased to offer the second webinar series intended to provide an overview of the province's Design of Public Spaces Standards, as well as review best practices regarding site planning for AAC members. These webinars are tailored for Ontario's AAC members, Municipal Clerks, and other interested municipal staff.

The webinars are scheduled for:

- **June 27, 2019 (2p.m. to 3p.m.)**
- **July 4, 2019 (1p.m. to 2p.m.)**

The webinars will last 1 hour each and will include a short overview of the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation's "Design of Public Spaces Standards," followed by a presentation by a guest speaker involved in the process of municipal site planning.

As before, we encourage AAC members and municipal staff to access the "Making Accessibility Happen – Your guide to serving on the Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee" for more information relevant to the roles and responsibilities of committee members. You can access an html version of the guide at: [How to serve on a municipal accessibility advisory committee: Guide](#).

We would like to ensure that every individual that is interested in learning about these topics has an opportunity to do so. With this in mind, and due to software limitations regarding the number of attendees, we encourage your cooperation in gathering interested participants in one room and logging in using a **single Adobe Connect account**.

Please register yourself or your group using the following Eventbrite link:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/accessibility-advisory-committee-101-design-of-public-spaces-and-site-planning-tickets-62014949383>

Registered participants will receive an Adobe Connect meeting link in advance of the session. Webinar materials will be available in both French and English and can be requested following the completion of the webinar series.

If you have any questions, have accommodation needs, or require materials in an alternate format, please feel free to reach out to the ministry directly by contacting Tea Pesheva at [tea.pesheva@ontario.ca](mailto:tea.pesheva@ontario.ca).

Thank you and we look forward to your participation!

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**À l'attention de :** Greffiers municipaux

**Veillez distribuer ces renseignements aux membres de votre comité consultatif de l'accessibilité (CCA)**

**Objet : Avis de webinaire de formation du ministère à l'intention des comités consultatifs de l'accessibilité municipaux**

Dans la continuité de sa stratégie d'information à l'intention des comités consultatifs de l'accessibilité (CCA), le ministère des Services aux aînés et de l'Accessibilité est heureux d'offrir la deuxième série de webinaires visant à fournir un aperçu des normes pour la conception des espaces publics de la province, ainsi qu'un examen des pratiques exemplaires concernant la planification de sites pour les membres des CCA. Ces webinaires sont conçus pour les membres des CCA de l'Ontario, les greffiers municipaux et d'autres employés municipaux intéressés.

Les webinaires auront lieu:

- **le 27 juin 2019 (14 h 00 à 15 h 00)**
- **le 4 juillet 2019 (13 h 00 à 14 h 00)**

Les webinaires dureront une heure chacun et incluront un bref aperçu des « Normes pour la conception des espaces publics » du Règlement sur les normes d'accessibilité intégrées, suivis d'une présentation d'un conférencier invité participant au processus de la planification des sites municipaux.

Comme auparavant, nous encourageons les membres des CCA et les employés municipaux à accéder au guide « Franchir l'accessibilité – Votre guide pour siéger à un comité consultatif de l'accessibilité municipal » pour de plus amples renseignements concernant les rôles et responsabilités des membres de ces comités. Vous pouvez également avoir accès à une version HTML du guide à l'adresse : [Comment siéger à un comité consultatif de l'accessibilité municipal: Guide.](#)

Nous voulons nous assurer que chaque personne qui désire se renseigner sur ces sujets ait l'occasion de le faire. Dans cette optique, et en raison des limitations logicielles concernant le

nombre de participants, nous demandons votre collaboration afin de réunir les participants intéressés dans une même pièce et d'ouvrir une session à l'aide d'un **compte unique Adobe Connect**.

Veillez vous inscrire, vous ou votre groupe, à l'aide du lien Eventbrite suivant: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/accessibility-advisory-committee-101-design-of-public-spaces-and-site-planning-tickets-62014949383>

Les participants inscrits recevront un lien Adobe Connect pour la réunion avant la session. La documentation du webinaire sera offerte en français et en anglais, et vous pouvez la demander après avoir participé à la série de webinaires.

Si vous avez des questions ou si vous avez besoin de mesures d'adaptation ou de documentation sur un support de substitution, n'hésitez pas à communiquer directement avec le ministère en écrivant à Tea Pesheva à l'adresse [tea.pesheva@ontario.ca](mailto:tea.pesheva@ontario.ca).

Nous vous remercions et nous nous réjouissons de votre participation!

**Avis de confidentialité** – Le présent courriel renferme des renseignements destinés exclusivement aux personnes dont le nom figure ci-dessus. S'il vous a été envoyé par erreur, nous vous prions de nous en aviser en y répondant. Nous vous prions aussi de détruire ce message et toute copie de celui-ci. Merci