



**City of Hamilton**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**  
**ADDENDUM**

**Meeting #:** 19-009  
**Date:** October 8, 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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**6. DELEGATION REQUESTS**

6.1 Tiffany Kummer, Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS) / Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD) Foundation, respecting Various Accessibility Concerns related to Bus Stops, Roads, Sidewalks, Parks, Schools, and Food Banks (for today's meeting)

\*6.1.a Added Handout

6.2 Leanne Mione, Contact Hamilton for Children and Developmental Services, respecting Housing and Transitions for People with Developmental Disabilities (for today's meeting)

\*6.2.a Added Presentation

**9. STAFF PRESENTATIONS**

9.1 Reimagine Our Museums Process and the Hamilton Civic Museum Strategy (no copy)

\*9.1.a Added Handout

## 6.1

Accessibility in Hamilton has gotten a lot better But there are still some major issues that need to be fixed.

One of the main issues that I have heard from people is with accessibility in certain streets is horrendous especially when store put stuff on the sidewalk and it makes it very hard for mobility devices to get through.

For example On Barton street there are a few store that put stuff on the sidewalk and when people stop to look art them you can not get through

But James street can be worse especially when the markets block the sidewalks this can be very dangerous for people in mobility devices because sometimes you have to go on the road or u have to wait for people to move out of the way

Some fixes would be to reduce the amount of items people can put or where and when they can put items out

Another issue is still with HSR

sometimes they still drive by the stops and they sometimes don't pick you up because they are running late

I do have to say that it has gotten better but still does happen

The bus stop at Barton and Earl it is in and makes it hard for mobility devices to get through

I have broken 2 tires now because of this stop and u run over the screws of the shelter

Fixes

1. fix the bus stop
2. have another talk with drivers about accessibility
3. maybe put people from the HSR heads in chairs for the day so they can see some of the struggles

Accessibility in school

Accessibility in schools can be very challenging for children and their parents

1. student has had their electric wheelchair stranded on second floor elevator broken
2. fighting with principals and your children's medical and accessibility needs
3. no children should have to be discrimination against because of their disability needs
4. a parent should not have to have constant fights with school regarding their child's needs



# Overview of DSO HNR

Orientation to the Advisory Committee for Persons with  
Disabilities

October 8, 2019

# YOUR ACCESS POINT FOR Adult Developmental Services



CONNECT WITH US!  
[dsontario.ca](https://dsontario.ca)

# What is the DSO?

Developmental Services Ontario (DSO):

- Helps adults with developmental disabilities find services and supports in their community
- There are nine DSOs located across Ontario
- Your local DSO is **DSO Hamilton - Niagara Region**

**\*Hamilton, Niagara, Brant, Haldimand, Norfolk, Six Nations of the Grand River First Nation and, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation**

# DSO Key Functions

- Information provision
- Eligibility confirmation using provincially consistent criteria (age 16+)
- Administer, update and re-administer the standardized Provincial Application Package (age 16+)
- Make service recommendations (Ministry funded and other)
- Service Navigation activities
  - Referrals to MCCSS funded services (age 18+)
  - Matching to declared MCCSS funded resources (age 18+)
  - Recommending and linking to other community based services and supports
- Linkage and support through the Urgent Response process (age 18+)

# The DS Adult Application Package...

- One application for adult developmental services
- Can be updated as often as required; reapplication can be completed if needs change significantly
- Applicant is engaged and supported to be as involved as possible
- Informs service recommendations and referrals
- Informs priority for services when they become available
- Supports fair and equitable access to services as they become available

## After the Application (ADSS/SIS-A)

- Person's needs are identified on the service registry
- Person determines consent for referrals
- Referrals are made to the following services as required: clinical services, behaviour services, case management services
  - There is often a waiting period for these services
  - Those in greatest need are considered first where able
- For residential, day support and respite services, person is considered for declared resources when
  - Resource becomes available AND
  - Person is a match AND
  - Person is prioritized for that service



# Ministry Funded Residential Services

- Intensive supportive living
  - Group living
  - Supported independent living
  - Associate living
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- Level and intensity of support vary between types and within types

# DSO Housing Navigation

<https://www.dsontario.ca/resources/housing/welcome-to-the-dso-housing-toolkit>

- Toolkit provides resources to help adults with developmental disabilities, and their caregivers create a housing plan
- Local Housing Inventories provide local resources and contacts
- DSOs connect people with family support networks
- We encourage families to start planning early and share successes

# The City Of Hamilton and the DSO HNR

- Thank you for including us in your “Guide to Finding Housing for People with Disabilities”!!!!
- We want to work in partnership with the City of Hamilton to
  - Ensure you have the information you need about people with developmental disabilities in Hamilton so that you can consider them in your planning and forecasting
  - Ensure you know how to refer people who have or you think have a suspected developmental disability to our DSO
  - Promote the Provincial Housing Tool Kit
  - Ensure we have the most updated information about local housing resources so that we can promote these to individual and their families

# Connect with DSO HNR

**dsontario.ca**

Phone 1-877-376-4674

Ask to speak with a member of the DSO HNR team

Email [housing@dsohnr.ca](mailto:housing@dsohnr.ca)

Websites [dsohnr.ca](http://dsohnr.ca) and [dsontario.ca](http://dsontario.ca)

## Reimagine Our Museums Focus Groups

As part of our effort to engage all residents to assist with the Reimagine Our Museums project, we would like to invite you to join us at ONE of the following focus groups listed in the chart below.

Light refreshments will be served.

As space in the focus groups is limited we would appreciate it if you could please RSVP no later than **Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**, 2019 to Alex Marques via email at [alex@civicplan.ca](mailto:alex@civicplan.ca) or via telephone to 905-528-5607.

### Hamilton Civic Museums Focus Group Schedule

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	ADDRESS
<b>Tuesday October 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	Hamilton Public Library - <b>Ancaster Branch</b>	300 Wilson St E Ancaster, ON L9G 2B9
<b>Wednesday October 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	Hamilton Public Library - <b>Terryberry Branch</b>	100 Mohawk RdW Hamilton, ON ON L9C 1W1
<b>Thursday October 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	Hamilton Public Library – <b>Central Branch</b>	55 York Blvd, Hamilton, ON L8N 4E4
<b>Monday October 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	Hamilton Public Library – <b>Saltfleet Branch</b>	131 Gray Rd Stoney Creek, ON L8G 3V3
<b>Tuesday October 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	Hamilton Public Library - <b>Kenilworth Branch</b>	103 Kenilworth Ave N Hamilton, ON L8H 4R6
<b>Wednesday October 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	Hamilton Public Library – <b>Dundas Branch</b>	18 Ogilvie St Dundas, ON L9H 2S2