



Hamilton

Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 13-004

4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 9, 2013
Room 192/193 City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present: A. Mallett (Chair) T. Nolan (Vice-Chair)
T. Manzuk, T. Murphy, R. Semkow, P. Kilburn,
P. Cameron, K. Nolan, B. Lane, R. Thompson,
M. Smithson

**Absent with
Regrets:** Councillor B. Morelli
T. Wallis - Regrets
R. Cameron

THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PRESENTS THE REPORT 13-004 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. **Transportation Sub-committee Report – April 23, 2013 (Attached hereto as Appendix A) (Item 6.2)**
 - (a) That City By-law Licensing staff attend the next possible ACPD Transportation Subcommittee meeting to provide an update on the status of accessible taxicab licensing; and,
 - (b) That the appropriate Public Works HSR staff be directed to attend a future ACPD Transportation Subcommittee meeting to discuss disability related HSR service policies.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

- (a) **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

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

- (i) That Item 5.1 respecting, Inclusive Recreation Program Development (No Copy), be removed from the agenda.

The agenda was approved as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) April 9, 2013 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of April 9, 2013 were approved.

(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 6)

(i) Integrated Standards Sub-Committee Report – April 22, 2013 (Item 6.1)

Paula Killburn provided an update to the Committee respecting their meeting with a representative from the Hamilton Public Library.

The Integrated Standards Sub-Committee Report – April 22, 2013, was received.

(ii) Transportation Sub-Committee Report – April 23, 2013 (Item 6.2)

Tim Nolan provided an update to the Committee members respecting the Transportation Sub-committee Report of April 23, 2013. He discussed the need to reissue the RFP for the taxi-cab consultations.

There was some discussion on the introduction of Transit Fare Parity on June 1, 2013 and the new Special Promotional Program for HSR.

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 1.

(iii) Built Environment Sub-Committee Update – Minutes April 2, 2013 (Item 6.3)

Maxine Carter provided an update on the work of the Built Environment Sub-committee. She indicated that the first new audible pedestrian

signal should be installed by the end of June at the intersection of Barton Street and Victoria. She discussed Temporary ramps, the Lister Block, Accessible Parking on private property and bus stop audits.

The Built Environment Sub-committee Minutes of April 2, 2013, was received.

(iv) Encourage Media to use Accessible Formats (No Copy) (Item 6.4)

Committee members discussed how to proceed to best make suggestions to local media on how to achieve greater accessibility. The decision was to send the item to Integrated Standards Sub-committee to identify areas of concerns and then to ensure those are communicated to the media outlets in accordance with City policies.

(e) OTHER BUSINESS (Item 7)

(i) Report Format Change (Added Item 7.1)

Jane Lee, Director of Customer Service, Access & Equity, provided that Committee with an update on the changes in the Report Formatter to require staff to consider Accessibility issues for every report they do.

(ii) The Accessibility Directorate of Ontario and Ontario Municipal Social Services Association Presents Accessibility Advisory Committee Forums 2013 (Added Item 7.2)

Mary Smithson provided an update to the Committee respecting the Accessibility Advisory Committee Forms. She discussed the City of Orangeville Advisory Committee and their encouragement of suitcase ramps for businesses and of annual painting of ramps.

Mary Smithson, Paula Killburn and Maxine Carter discussed that despite the accessibility challenges that they encountered it was a very worthwhile event.

(iii) Annual Accessibility Fair – March of Dimes (Added Item 7.3)

Patty Cameron provided an update on the March of Dimes Accessibility Fair. She thanked Access and Equity staff and ACPD members that took part in the successful event.

(iv) Built Environment Additional Member (Added Item 7.4)

T. Murphy was added as an additional member to the Built Environment Sub-committee.

(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 8)

The Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Aznive Mallett, Chair
Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

Andy Grozelle
Legislative Co-ordinator