

## Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 14-003

3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 10, 2014
Rooms 192/193 City Hall
71 Main Street West

**Present:** A. Mallett (Chair), T. Nolan (Vice-Chair)

P. Cameron, P. Kilburn, B. Lane, T. Manzuk, T. Murphy,

K. Nolan, T. Nolan, R. Semkow, R. Thompson.

**Absent** 

with regrets: Councillor Merulla - Illness

R. Hirji-Khalfan, D. Maraj, T. Wallis.

### THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS REPORTED TO THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION:

#### 1. Establishment of a Working Group respecting Home Caregiver Permits

- (a) That an informal working group of the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities be established to work with Mr. Ted Arnold, Manager, Parking Operations and Maintenance, Hamilton Municipal Parking System and Mr. Sebastian Stula, Supervisor, Parking Services, to assist in reviewing the City of Hamilton's policy respecting parking permits for home care providers; and
- (b) That the working group consist of the following Committee members: Aznive Mallett, Paula Kilburn and Kim Nolan.

#### FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

#### (a) EXPRESSION OF CONDOLENCES

The Chair paid tribute to Mrs. Mary Smithson, Committee member, who recently passed away. The Committee Clerk has sent a sympathy card to Mrs. Smithson's husband expressing the Committee's condolences.

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#### (b) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The agenda for the June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities was approved as presented.

#### (c) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

#### (c) MINUTES (Item 3)

#### (i) May 13, 2014 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of the May 13, 2014 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting were approved.

#### (d) PRESENTATIONS

## (i) Presentation from Ontario Sports Solutions respecting Accessibility of the Pan Am Games Stadium (Item 5.1)

Mr. Stan Zalewski, Design Manager, Bouygues Building Canada and Mr. Dan MacKenzie, Associate Vice President, Cannon Design, addressed the Committee respecting the Accessibility of the Pan Am Games Stadium with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been retained for the public record. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- Building a Centre of Inclusiveness and Excellence for those with Disabilities
- Following the City of Hamilton's Barrier-Free Design Guidelines
- Overview of the Stadium's entrances, ramps and elevators
- Discussion of the Site Plan
- Description of how Seats are Accessible
- Description of how Concession Counters are Accessible and how lines for concession stands are Barrier Free
- Use of Colour Contrast on Handrails

The presentation from Mr. Zalewski and Mr. MacKenzie, respecting the Accessibility of the Pan Am Games Stadium was received.

# (ii) Verbal Update from Ted Arnold, Manager, Parking Operations and Maintenance, Hamilton Municipal Parking System, respecting Parking Permits for Home Caregivers (Item 5.2)

Mr. Ted Arnold, Manager, Parking Operations and Maintenance, Hamilton Municipal Parking System, addressed the Committee respecting Parking Permits for Home Caregivers.

Mr. Arnold indicated that he was in attendance at the meeting as a result of the Committee's motion of March 11, 2014. This motion asked that the Committee to be consulted about a review of the process for Parking Permits for Home Caregivers.

Mr. Arnold explained that the permit was established in 1990 and he also provided information on why it was established. Mr. Arnold also explained how the permit process works and indicated that there is no cost for the permit. There are twelve individuals in the City who hold these permits.

Mr. Arnold and Mr. Sebastian Stula, Supervisor, Parking Services, answered questions posed by Committee members.

The presentation from Ted Arnold, Manager, Parking Operations and Maintenance, Hamilton Municipal Parking System, respecting Parking Permits for Home Caregivers was received.

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 1.

## (iii) Presentation from Fay Booker, Booker and Associates, respecting DARTS – A Contextual Perspective (Item 5.3)

Ms. Fay Booker of Booker and Associates addressed the Committee respecting DARTS – A Contextual Perspective with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been retained for the public record. Ms. Booker's presentation included, but was not limited to the following:

- Overview of DARTS Service
- Shared Responsibility Model
- Impacts to Efficiency of Service
- Pressures and Challenges
- Cost Contextual Information
- Staffing

Ms. Booker answered questions posed by the Committee. Mr. Mark Mindorff, Executive Director, DARTS and Mr. George Brovac, Manager, Accessible Transportation Services, were also in attendance to answer questions.

The Presentation from Fay Booker, Booker and Associates, respecting DARTS – A Contextual Perspective was received.

The Committee Clerk was requested to set up a special meeting of the Committee to further discuss the presentation by Ms. Booker respecting DARTS — A Contextual Perspective. The Committee Clerk was directed to invite Ms. Booker, Mr. Mindorff and Mr. Brovac to this meeting.

#### (e) DISCUSSION ITEMS

(i) Built Environment Sub-Committee Update (Item 6.1)

Discussion on this Item was tabled to a future meeting.

(ii) Transportation Sub-Committee Update (Item 6.2)

Discussion on this Item was tabled to a future meeting.

(iii) Discussion on Draft Motion respecting Outdoor Handrails at Hamilton City Hall (Item 6.3)

Discussion on this Item was tabled to a future meeting.

#### (f) OTHER BUSINESS (Item 7)

(i) Update from Maxine Carter, Access and Equity Office, respecting the use of Closed Captioning and Descriptive Video for meetings (Item 7.1)

Discussion on this Item was tabled to a future meeting.

#### (g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 8)

There being no further business, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Committee adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Aznive Mallett, Chair Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

Lauri Leduc Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk