



Hamilton

Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

Minutes 17-005

4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Rooms 192 and 193, 1st Floor

City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present:	A. Mallett (Chair) P. Cameron, C. Cruickshank, P. Kilburn (Vice Chair), T. Manzuk, A. Nicolls, T. Murphy, B. Semkow, M. Sinclair and T. Wallis
Absent with regrets:	Councillor S. Merulla – City Business J. Cardno, P. Lynes, K. Nolan, T. Nolan and S. Soto

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk was requested to add the following items to the agenda:

1. DELEGATION REQUEST (Item 4)

- 4.1 Delegation request from John Hawker respecting Elevator Shutdowns in Multi Residential Properties and By-law 16-262, a By-law to Prescribe Standards for the Maintenance and Occupancy of Property (for today's meeting)

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

- 8.2 Human Rights, Diversity and Inclusion Strategic Plan

3. NOTICE OF MOTION (Item 10)

- 10.1 DARTS Advanced Booking Pilot Project

4. GENERAL INFORMATION / NEW BUSINESS (Item 11)

11.1 Social Event for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

11.2 News Article respecting Accessible Housing in Hamilton

11.3 Accessible Promotional Materials

11.4 Update respecting Presenters at Future Meetings

(Murphy/Cameron)

That the agenda for the June 13, 2017 meeting of Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) May 9, 2017 (Item 3.1)

(Cameron/Nicolls)

That the minutes of the May 9, 2017 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(d) DELEGATION REQUEST (Item 4)

(i) Delegation request from John Hawker respecting Elevator Shutdowns in Multi Residential Properties and By-law 16-262, a By-law to Prescribe Standards for the Maintenance and Occupancy of Property (for today's meeting) (Added Item 4.1)

(Manzuk/Murphy)

That the Delegation Request from John Hawker respecting Elevator Shutdowns in Multi Residential Properties and By-law 16-262, a By-law to Prescribe Standards for the Maintenance and Occupancy of Property, be approved for today's meeting.

CARRIED

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes – April 4, 2017 (Item 5.1)

(Wallis/Cruickshank)

That the Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes of April 4, 2017, be received.

CARRIED

(ii) Housing Issues Working Group Meeting Notes – April 18, 2017 (Item 5.2)

(Nicolls/Kilburn)

That the Manager, Social Housing Programs be invited to speak to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities respecting the City of Hamilton management of public or social housing, at a future meeting.

CARRIED

(Cameron/Manzuk)

That the Housing Issues Working Group Meeting Notes of be received.

CARRIED

(iii) Outreach Working Group Update (Item 5.3)

T. Wallis reported to the Committee on the current activities of the Outreach Working Group. The group participated in an event they entitled Safe Haven, as part of 100In1Day, a global festival of citizen engagement on Saturday, June 3, 2017. They provided general information regarding the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to passersby.

The Working Group would like to set up a table at the next Art Crawl, scheduled for Friday, July 14, 2017. The group has asked staff to provide them with a \$100.00 for creating and printing of a leaflet to be distributed at the event.

The Working Group has asked for volunteers to attend the event for two-hour shifts from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. P. Cameron, P. Kilburn, T. Semkow, T. Wallis and Chair Mallet offered to volunteer at the event.

T. Wallis has created a logo for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, and a copy has been given to the Clerk.

(Cameron/Semkow)

That the update of activities from the Outreach Working Group, be received.

CARRIED

(iv) Transportation Working Group Meeting Notes – April 25, 2017 (Item 5.4)

(Cameron/Semkow)

That the Transportation Working Group Meeting Notes for April 25, 2017, be received.

CARRIED

(v) Wheelchair and Scooter Safety Working Group Update (Item 5.5)

This Working Group plans to meet in September, and have asked staff to book a room for the meeting on a Wednesday, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., in Room 192, if available.

(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

(i) Delegation from John Hawker respecting Elevator Shutdowns in Multi Residential Properties and By-law 16-262, a By-law to Prescribe Standards for the Maintenance and Occupancy of Property (Added Item 6.1)

John Hawker addressed the Committee respecting Elevator Shutdowns in Multi Residential Properties and By-law 16-262, a By-law to Prescribe Standards for the Maintenance and Occupancy of Property. He recently met with City of Hamilton staff regarding the by-law and wanted to provide the information to the Committee on the process for dealing with elevator shutdowns and extended service delays.

(Semkow/Murphy)

That the Senior Project Manager, MLE, be invited to speak to the Built Environment Working Group with a follow-up to the Consultation Report respecting Signs at Elevators in Multi-residential Properties that was presented to the Committee in August 2016 that includes the process and timelines for extended service delays with elevators.

(Wallis/Kilburn)

That the Delegation from John Hawker respecting Elevator Shutdowns in Multi Residential Properties and By-law 16-262, a By-law to Prescribe Standards for the Maintenance and Occupancy of Property, be received.

CARRIED

(g) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Equity & Inclusion Lens Consultation (Item 8.1)

Evelyn Myrie, Principal, Empower Strategy Group, addressed the Committee respecting an Equity & Inclusion Lens Consultation. Committee members did not have the opportunity to read through the documentation sent in April 2017, and asked that Evelyn Myrie return to the next meeting of the Committee, to give them more time to add their feedback to the documentation. Electronic copies of the

Equity and Inclusion Lens Toolkit will be redistributed to Committee members, while paper copies were distributed during the June 13, 2017 meeting.

(ii) Human Rights, Diversity and Inclusion Strategic Plan (Added Item 8.2)

Jessica Bowen, Human Rights Specialist, addressed the Committee respecting the Human Rights, Diversity and Inclusion Strategic Plan. A copy of the handout was distributed to Committee members, and a copy has been retained for the public record. Comments included, but were not limited to the following:

- Vision
- Mission
- Principles
- Links to City Strategic Plan
- Priorities
- Legislative and Policy Compliance
- Workplace Diversity
- Workplace Inclusion
- Database and Metric Tracking
- Goals

(Manzuk/Cruickshank)

That the Human Rights, Diversity and Inclusion Strategic Plan, be received.

CARRIED

The handout is available through the Office of the City Clerk.

(h) MOTION (Item 9)

(i) DARTS Advanced Booking Pilot Project (Added Item 9.1)

(T. Murphy/T. Wallis)

WHEREAS discussion continues between DARTS management and the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to improve DARTS service;

WHEREAS waiting lists for DARTS services; trip denials; no-shows; and late cancellations are an obstacle to access, and can lead to potential Human Rights Complaints; and

WHEREAS the ideal process for DARTS services would be an on-demand service;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff be directed to establish a pilot project between Accessible Transit Services and DARTS to reduce the booking window from seven to three days for passengers with guaranteed service.

CARRIED

(i) NOTICE OF MOTION (Item 10)

P. Kilburn introduced the following Notice of Motion:

(i) DARTS Advanced Booking Pilot Project (Added Item 10.1)

(Murphy/Wallis)

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting a DARTS Advanced Booking Pilot Project.

CARRIED

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item (h)(i)

(j) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

(i) Social Event for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Added Item 11.1)

The Chair of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities extended an invitation to a summer party at her home, for Committee members and staff. Dates and times were discussed, and the party has been set for Saturday, July 8, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

(ii) News Article respecting Accessible Housing in Hamilton (Added Item 11.2)

M. Sinclair distributed copies of a Hamilton Spectator article respecting Accessible Housing in Hamilton, for the information of Committee members.

(iii) Accessible Promotional Materials (Added Item 11.3)

M. Sinclair distributed copies of promotional materials that were produced in a manner making them difficult to read. Committee members discussed options for contacting organizations when their promotional materials are not accessible.

(iv) Update respecting Presenters at Future Meetings (Added Item 11.4)

The Committee discussed presenters they would like to attend future meetings and developed the following list with the direction that the Committee Clerk work with Ms. Jessica Bowen in the Human Resources Department to facilitate the requests:

- Evelyn Myrie

- Matters relating to the deaf and hard of hearing: Tammy Taylor of the CNIB's deaf/blind program, a representative from the Canadian Hearing Association and the presenter who recently attended the Seniors Advisory Committee and spoke about the issue of hearing "loop" technology
- Sherry Parsley from Community Living Hamilton
- Matters relating to mental health - Clare Cruickshank will develop a list of possible speakers and share it with Chair Mallet and the Committee Clerk
- A representative from the Wrap Around Hamilton project
- Someone to speak to the issue of the gap in accessible housing that exists for individuals with disabilities

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 12)

(Semkow/Murphy)

That there being no further business, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Aznive Mallet, Chair
Advisory Committee for Persons
with Disabilities

Loren Kolar
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