

Notes

Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Built Environment Working Group (BEWG) Tuesday, January 2, 2018 City Hall, 71 Main Street West, Room 193 4:00pm - 6:00 pm

Present: Terri Wallis (Chair), Tom Manzuk, Mary Sinclair,

Al Nicolls

Also Present:

Betsy Pocop, Human Rights, Diversity & Inclusion staff

1. Changes to the Agenda

Addition of Item xiv.- washroom accessibility

A. Nicolls/ T. Manzuk

That the agenda be approved as amended.

2. Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Approval of minutes of previous meeting

A. Nicolls should be listed as absent with regrets

A. Nicolls / M. Sinclair

That the Built Environment Sub-Committee Meeting Notes of December 5, 2017 be approved as amended.

4. Presentations

No presentations

5. Discussion Items

i. Barrier-Free Design Guidelines Revision Project (BFDG)

No update

ii. Review of New Capital Projects

No update

iii. Tour of Facilities

- No date set for tour of 690 Stonechurch
- Deficiency report to be sent to A. Nicolls and the group for review prior to next tour

- Discussion about previous meeting and Building Code Standards, main point was about the guideline
- Discussion about the different building standards for residential and public facilities and importance of letting the City know what is needed

iv. Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS)

- In the past, the group received a list of prospective locations and have given feedback about priority signals and would like to continue being part of the process
- A video would help inform the public of the intended use of APS
- Group would like to review proposed 2018 installations
- The group would like to invite Melissa McGinnis to a future meeting

v. Beach Strip Trail Washroom

No update

vi. Bus Stop Audit & Design

- Date needs to be set for a tour
- T. Wallis will do a follow up about accessibility of bus stops; in the past, T. Wallis took pictures and

made a presentation. The follow up planned will be regarding the same issue.

vii. City Hall Deficiencies

- Update to changes made so far
- Lighting has not been changed
- Yellow paint not being used
- In Council Chambers automatic doors have been installed with a button however the door frame is too narrow for a wheelchair
- Ramp from Main Street to Summers Lane
- There are foot operated waste disposal bins in the bathroom, this is an accessibility concern

viii. Lister Block Tour

- Tour date needs to be set
- There is a deficiencies list with needs that can be prioritized and find out what has been done to date

ix. MacNab Street Terminal Deficiency Audit

- Tour date to be scheduled in better weather conditions to assess changes and updates; for example, the steep ramp and recommendations about signage
- Accessible washrooms at the terminal to be locked

x. Rumble Strips (warning strips) at City Hall

- Rumble strips to be called warning strips moving forward
- This item to fall under City Hall deficiencies
- This strips are needed at the top of the second floor staircases in consideration of people with mobility devices, possible issues with depth perception

xi. Social Housing Accessibility Issues & Concerns

See Item i

xii. Summers Lane Curb Cut

Urban Braille should be included

xiii. Tim Hortons Stadium

- Feedback not received about how issues were addressed or not addressed
- Group would like to be notified if changes made or not and if issues addressed
- It would be helpful if there is a process in place when feedback is given and to request follow up when tours are completed

xiv. Washroom accessibility

Grab bars in the washroom

- The group would need to consider what others have to say about preferences
- The group would need the history of the change from diagonal bars to L- shaped bars before moving forward
- Group would like list of accessible washrooms

6. Next Meeting

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 192

7. Adjournment

That the Built Environment sub-committee meeting, of January 2, 2018, be adjourned, at 5:50 pm.