

Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities REPORT 12-003

4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10, 2012
Room 192/193 City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present: Councillor B. Morelli

A. Mallett (Chair)

P. Cameron, R. Semkow, M. Smithson, R. Thompson,

T. Wallis, B. Lane, R. Hirji-Khalfan, T. Manuk

Absent with

Regrets: D. Maraj – Illness

T. Nolan – Illness K. Nolan – Illness P. Killburn – Illness T. Murphy, R. Cameron

Also Present: M. Carter, J. Hayat, Customer Service, Access and Equity

Andy Grozelle, Legislative Co-ordinator, Clerks Office

THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PRESENTS REPORT12-003 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

- 1. Built Environment Sub-committee Report March 19, 2012 Enforcement of Accessible Parking violations on Private Property (Added Item 6.3)
 - (a) That Planning, Zoning and Bylaw Enforcement staff be direct to work in co-ordination to design standardized accessible parking spots, for implementation into every parking lot within the City of Hamilton, whether private or public, to meet the Ministry of Transportation guidelines for accessible parking spaces and for enforcement.
 - (b) That staff be directed to review by-law 01-220 and update it to include the enforcement of violations of accessible parking spots by Bylaw Enforcement staff and the Hamilton Police Service, including accessible parking spots on private property, without the current requirements for permission from the owners.

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2. Lynwood Charlton Centre - Radial Separation By-law (Added Item 7.1)

That staff be directed to report to the Advisory Committee of Persons with Disabilities respecting the Lynwood Charlton Centre and the Human Rights implications of the radial separation by-law.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

CONSENT ITEMS

5.4 Built Environment Sub-committee Report – February 20, 2012

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 6.2 Hamilton Police Service Mental Illness/Disability Update WITHDRAWN
- 6.3 Built Environment Sub-committee Report March 19, 2012 (revised agenda number)
- 6.4 By-Law and Equity and Inclusion Policy Tools Development Process (verbal update M. Carter)
- 6.5 Accessibility Plan for AODA (verbal update M. Carter)

The agenda was approved as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) March 13, 2012

The Minutes of March 13, 2012 were approved as presented.

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(d) DELEGATIONS (Item 4)

(i) R. Cameron, Committee Against Racism (no copy) (Item 4.1)

R. Cameron was not in attendance so the item was referred to the next meeting.

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Built Environment Sub-committee, January 16, 2012 (Item 5.1)

Maxine Carter Co-ordinator of Access & Equity provided an update to the committee respecting the Built Environment Sub-committee. She discussed the list of capital projects that is being reviewed by the Subcommittee and indicated a complete list will soon be compiled.

Committee members discussed the need to tour buildings before they are completed in order to make comments that can be considered and acted upon before the project is completed. Committee discussed the possibility of allow some of the more mobile members of the Subcommittee to tour facilities prior to completion even if this requires a waiver be signed.

The Built Environment Sub-committee, January 16, 2012 Minutes, were received.

(ii) Integrated Standards Sub-committee, March 26, 2012 (Item 5.2)

The Integrated Standards Sub-committee Report March 26, 2012, were received.

(iii) Transportation Sub-committee, March 27, 2012 (Item 5.3)

T. Wallis provided an update to Committee members and discussed the baggage limit discussion on DARTS. She also discussed ongoing problems with bus drivers not calling out all stops, indicating that stops in between regular stop locations are not announced.

The Transportation Sub-committee Report of March 27, 2012, was received.

(iv) Built Environment Sub-committee Report – February 20, 2012 (Added Item 5.4)

Maxine Carter Co-ordinator of Access & Equity discussed the By-law on meeting of the Sub-committee with the Hamilton Municipal Parking System, Zoning and By-law staff.

Committee members discussed the upcoming March of Dimes event in which ACPD members will participate.

The Built Environment Sub-committee Report of February 20, 2012, was received.

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 6)

(i) Excerpt from AODA Integrated Accessibility Standards (Item 6.1)

This item was referred to the next meeting

(ii) Term's of Reference Discussion (no copy) (Item 6.2)

This item was referred to the next meeting

(iii) Built Environment Sub-committee Report March 19, 2012 (revised agenda number) (Added Item 6.3)

Committee members discussed the recommendations of the Built Environment Sub-committee. The Sub-committee members indicated that the recommendations were made after consideration of the Hamilton Municipal Parking Systems, Zoning and Bylaw presentation at their February meeting.

Committee members discussed the need to develop a standardized and uniform set of requirements for the design of accessible parking spots. This design should then be implemented and required in all private and public lots in the City of Hamilton. Committee members also discussed how the current bylaw falls short as enforcement of accessible parking spots on private property can only be done with the permission of the property owner. Committee members also discussed setting a more appropriate ratio of accessible parking spots based upon the number of accessible permits and not general estimates of the disabled population

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 1.

(iv) By-Law and Equity and Inclusion Policy Tools Development Process (Added Item 6.4)

Maxine Carter Co-ordinator of Access & Equity provided the Committee an update respecting the By-Law and Equity and Inclusion Policy Tools Development Process. She provided the Committee with a handout, a copy of which has been included in the official record.

M. Carter discussed the need to review policies and by-laws in order to build in aspects of the AODA. Discussed the consultants on this project, MCC Workplace Solutions, and indicated they will be attending an upcoming ACPD meeting. She outlined how the process will proceed and indicated that the consultant is looking for two members of ACPD to serve on a steering committee on this process.

The update respecting By-Law and Equity and Inclusion Policy Tools Development Process, was received.

(v) Accessibility Plan for AODA (Added Item 6.5)

This item was referred to the next meeting

(g) OTHER BUSINESS (Item 7)

(i) Lynwood Charlton Centre - Radial Separation By-law (Added Item 7.1)

B. Lane introduced the issue around the radial separation by-law that requires a 300 metre reserve to be placed between new residential care facilities. He discussed the comments made by the Human Rights Commission respecting this by-law.

There was a request to have this item come forward at a meeting when Councillor Morelli is available so he can assist the committee in their deliberations.

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 2.

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 8)

The Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Aznive Mallett, Chair Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

Andy Grozelle Legislative Co-ordinator April 10, 2012