Transportation Working Group

Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Tuesday, October 23, 2018 Room 193, City Hall

Members in Attendance:

Paula Kilburn (Chair), Aznive Mallett, Tom Manzuk, Tim Murphy, Alan Nicolls, Kim Nolan, Tim Nolan, Robert Semkow

Also Present:

Owen Quinn, Mark Mindorff,

Regrets/Absent:

Terri Wallis (Vice-Chair), Elizabeth (Jane) Cardno, George Hough, Peter Wobschall, Dennis Guy

MEETING NOTES:

- 1. Welcome & Introduction / Approval of Agenda approved
- 2. **Review of Meeting Notes September 25th** approved

3. HSR Service

• Members requested if HSR training staff could attend next meeting to discuss HSR service issues/policies (i.e. seatbelts)

4. **DARTS Service**

- a) Contract Negotiations next meeting with Union is October 29th
- b) Trip Cancellations
- Revised cancellation policy was reviewed; members had comments:
 - Points system used by Service Infractions (SI) software should be incorporated with current No Show and Cancellation Policy which was approved and implemented in 2005 (as result of OHRC settlement); revised policy should include policy conditions, actions, definitions, etc.
 - Passengers should be encouraged to cancel any unwanted trips on time (goal is to change passenger behaviour)
 - Service Infractions (SI) was previously discussed by TWG in March, 2017 and notice did go to ACPD and Council meetings
- DARTS will revise cancellation policy for discussion at next meeting
- c) Other

- Members asked DARTS to provide monthly data as follows:
 - On Board Times number of trips where passenger on board vehicle for more than one hour
 - Late Pick-ups number trips where DARTS late beyond 15 minute pick-up window
- 5. Accessible Transit Services Review Next Meeting (To Be Determined)

6. **AODA Integrated Accessibility Standards**

a) Accessibility Public Meeting - November 29th

- Persons can pre-register for meeting on Metrolinx website
- Members to confirm with Terri Wallis if she is still member of Metrolinx Accessibility Advisory Committee

7. **ATS-DARTS Policy Review**

a) Guide Dogs and Service Animals

- Members reviewed policy and provided comments
- HSR confirmed correct terms used in policy (i.e. guide dog, service animal) as per AODA Customer Service Standard; Tim N. noted Accessibility Directorate Ontario does not intend to change definitions
- DARTS will accommodate passengers with guide dogs/service animals

b) Customer Service Policies

- Members requested update on City Lab project to review DARTS Customer Service policies; Dennis to provide update
- 8. **Other Business** no discussion
- 9. **Next Meeting** November 27, 2018