

ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES Report 19-002 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, 2019 Rooms 192 and 193, City Hall 71 Main Street West

Present:	A. Mallet (Chair) P. Cameron, J. Cardno, P. Lynes, T. Manzuk, T. Murphy, A. Nicolls, K. Nolan, T. Nolan, B. Semkow, M. Sinclair and T. Wallis
Absent with regrets:	Councillor T. Whitehead – City Business, P. Kilburn

THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PRESENTS REPORT 19-002 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Hamilton Street Railway Bus Transfers (Item 11.1)

WHEREAS, Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Standards stress the need for equity of services on transit;

WHEREAS, those experiencing disabilities such as mobility challenges are frequently slow moving, requiring a longer time to reach bus stops, especially those mid-block and, similarly more time to complete tasks such as shopping and appointments;

WHEREAS, there is no actual financial costs to implement this practice;

WHEREAS, benefit may be gained from the goodwill and educational process that acknowledges diversity in ridership.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

ACPD requests City Council to direct staff to investigate the feasibility of HSR extending the duration of HSR bus transfers for persons with disabilities including consultation with ACPD on this process.

2. City's Commitment to the Lives of Persons with Disabilities in the City of Hamilton (Added Item 11.2)

That the Mayor and Council be invited to attend and speak to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities respecting the City's commitment to the betterment of the lives of persons with disabilities in the City of Hamilton.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES (Item 1)

There were no Ceremonial Activities at the meeting.

(b) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

The Clerk advised the Committee that there was a change to the agenda:

1. CONSENT ITEMS

7.2.a Housing Issues Working Group Update - Meeting Notes -January 15, 2019

2. MOTIONS

11.1 Hamilton Street Railway Bus Transfers

3. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

13.3 Citizen Committee Report respecting Polling Station Accessibility During the 2018 Election - Citizen Committee Report - Sample Copy

The agenda for the March 12, 2019 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities was approved, as amended.

(c) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(d) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 4)

(i) January 15, 2018 (Item 4.1)

The minutes of the January 15, 2018 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, were approved, as presented.

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)

(i) Built Environment Working Group Notes – December 4, 2018 (Item 7.1(a))

The Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes of December 4, 2018, were received.

M. Sinclair will represent the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities in a City of Hamilton video project respecting the Accessible Pedestrian Signals.

(ii) Housing Issues Working Group Notes – January 15, 2019 (Added Item 7.2(a))

Edward John, Director of Housing Services, will be invited to speak at a future meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to discuss City of Hamilton Housing Services work plan.

Members of the Housing Working Group will draft and present correspondence for distribution with the Guide to Finding Housing for People with Disabilities, at the next Advisory for Persons with Disabilities meeting.

The Housing Issues Working Group Meeting Notes of January 15, 2019, were received.

(iii) Transportation Working Group Notes – October 23, 2019 (Item 7.3)

The Transportation Working Group Notes of October 23, 2019 were received.

(iv) Wheelchair and Scooter Safety Working Group Update (Item 7.4)

Notes from the Wheelchair and Scooter Safety Roundtable held in November 2018, will be distributed to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities when available.

(f) **GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)**

(i) Accessibility Complaints to the City of Hamilton Update (Item 13.1)

No update.

(ii) Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Update (Item 13.2)

No update.

(iii) Citizen Committee Report respecting Polling Station Accessibility During the 2018 Election (Added Item 13.3)

T. Wallis, T. Nolan, T. Manzuk, A. Mallet and P. Cameron will form a working group to work on a draft of the Citizen Committee Report respecting Polling Station Accessibility During the 2018 Election.

(iv) Presenters List for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Added Item 13.4)

The item entitled Presenters List for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, will be added to the monthly agenda.

(v) Correspondence to a Member of Provincial Parliament respecting Listening to Ontarians with Disabilities: Report of the Third Review of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (Added Item 13.5)

Discussion on draft correspondence to D. Skelly MPP to be prepared, inviting her to speak to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities respecting the Listening to Ontarians with Disabilities: Report of the Third Review of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, was deferred to the next agenda.

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

There being no further business, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Mallet, Chair Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

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