



Hamilton

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES**

Report 19-010

4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 12, 2019

Rooms 192 and 193, City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: A. Mallet (Chair), J. Cardno (Vice-Chair), S. Aaron, P. Cameron, M. Dent, L. Dingman, S. Geffros, J. Kemp, P. Kilburn, C. McBride, M. McNeil, and A. Wilson

Absent

with regrets: A. Frisina, T. Manzuk, T. Murphy, K. Nolan, and T. Nolan

Also Present: J. Bowen, Supervisor, Diversity and Inclusion

**THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES PRESENTS REPORT 19-010 AND
RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

1. Passing of John Hawker

WHEREAS, John Hawker was a passionate member of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities;

WHEREAS, John Hawker passed away on November 9, 2019;

WHEREAS, the Hamilton Conservation Foundation's Tribute Tree Program provides an opportunity to commemorate the life of one who has passed away with a donation of \$125 to the Foundation's Tribute Trees;

WHEREAS, a donation to the Foundation's Tribute Trees is directed to their Planting Fund, which is used to plant native trees and shrubs in the Hamilton Watershed; and,

WHEREAS, the name of the individual being honoured with a donation to the Foundation's Tribute Trees will be recognized on signage in the Beckett Forest in the Dundas Valley Conservation Area;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That a sympathy card be sent to the late John Hawker's family and that a donation be made to the Hamilton Conservation Foundation's Tribute Tree Program, to be funded from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities reserve budget, to an upset limit of \$150.

2. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Chair's Meeting with Mayor, Chief of Police, and City Manager (Deferred from the October 8, 2019 meeting, as quorum was not achieved) (Item 13.7)

That the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities request a meeting with the Mayor, Chief of Police, and the City Manager to discuss various concerns related to the Committee.

3. Hamilton Strategic Road Safety Committee (Added Item 13.8)

That the Chair of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be authorized to attend one meeting of the Hamilton Strategic Road Safety Committee at the request of City staff.

4. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 2019 Holiday Dinner (Added Item 13.9)

- (a) That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities host a full Holiday dinner following the December 10, 2019 meeting; and,
- (b) That Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Members be allowed to invite 10 City staff members and 1 guest each (for a total of 44 attendees: 17 Committee members, 17 guests, and 10 City staff) to attend the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Holiday dinner, to be funded from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 2019 approved budget for refreshments.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES (Item 1)

(i) Passing of John Hawker

The Committee observed a moment of silence for the late John Hawker.

For further disposition of this matter, see Item 1.

(b) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

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

Items 7.8, 9.1, and 10.1 were moved up on the agenda to be considered immediately following Item 4.2:

7. CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)

7.8 Accessible Taxi Cab Incentive Program
Update (no copy)

9. STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 9)

9.1 Hamilton's Age Friendly Plan 2020-2025
Consultation

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

10.1 2020 Budget Submission for the Advisory
Committee for Persons with Disabilities

13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

13.8 Hamilton Strategic Road Safety Committee

13.9 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities
2019 Holiday Dinner

The agenda for the November 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) September 10, 2019 (Deferred from the October 8, 2019 meeting, as quorum was not achieved) (Item 4.1)

(a) The minutes of the September 10, 2019 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, were ***amended***, as follows:

(i) That recommendation (a) of Item 3 and Item (f) (i) be corrected to reflect the appropriate budget year, as follows:

(1) That the following Members of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be approved to travel to neighbouring municipalities to investigate and compare Light Rail Transit (LRT) systems, with the transportation costs to be funded from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities ~~2018~~ **2019** approved budget for conferences and related travel expenses, to an upset limit of \$1,000;

The minutes of the September 10, 2019 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, were approved, as amended.

(ii) October 8, 2019 (Item 4.2)

The minutes of the October 8, 2019 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, were received, as presented.

WHEREAS, quorum was not achieved at the October 8, 2019 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities; and,

WHEREAS, those in attendance agreed to hear the delegations and staff presentation, with no decisions being made;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the following delegations and staff presentation heard on October 8, 2019, be received:
 - (i) Tiffany Kummer, Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS) / Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD) Foundation, respecting Various Accessibility Concerns related to Bus Stops, Roads, Sidewalks, Parks, Schools, and Food Banks;
 - (ii) Leanne Mione, Contact Hamilton for Children and Developmental Services, respecting Housing and Transitions for People with Developmental Disabilities; and,
 - (iii) Sonia Mrva, Senior Curator of the Hamilton Civic Museums, respecting the Reimagine Our Museums Process and the Hamilton

Civic Museum Strategy.

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)

**(i) Accessible Taxi Cab Incentive Program Update
(Item 7.8)**

Ken Leendertse, Director, Licensing & By-law Services, and Monica Ciriello, Manager of Licensing, updated the Committee respecting the Accessible Taxi Cab Incentive Program.

The verbal update, respecting the Accessible Taxi Cab Incentive Program, was received.

(f) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 9)

**(i) Hamilton's Age Friendly Plan 2020-2025
Consultation (Item 9.1)**

Lisa Maychak, Project Manager, Age Friendly Hamilton, and Elizabeth Conti, Public Health Nurse, consulted the Committee respecting Hamilton's Age Friendly Plan 2020-2025, with the aid of a presentation.

The presentation, respecting Hamilton's Age Friendly Plan 2020-2025, was received.

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

(g) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

- (i) 2020 Budget Submission for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Deferred from the October 8, 2019 meeting, as quorum was not achieved) (Item 10.1)**

The Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 2020 base budget submission, in the amount of \$6,100, was approved and referred to the 2020 budget process for consideration.

(h) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

- (i) Correspondence from Martin Brousseau respecting Accessible Pedestrian Signals in Quebec City (Deferred from the October 8, 2019 meeting, as quorum was not achieved) (Item 5.1)**

The correspondence from Martin Brousseau respecting Accessible Pedestrian Signals in Quebec City, was received.

- (ii) Correspondence from Edward Soldo, Transportation Operations & Maintenance Division, respecting Follow-Up to the Committee's Feedback on the Accessible Pedestrian Signals Video (Deferred from the October 8, 2019 meeting, as quorum was not achieved) (Item 5.2)**

The correspondence from Edward Soldo, Transportation Operations & Maintenance Division, respecting Follow-Up to the Committee's Feedback on the Accessible Pedestrian Signals Video, was received.

P. Kilburn wished to be recorded as opposed.

(i) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(i) Denise Sterling, Service Canada, respecting the Canada Pension Plan Disability (CPP-D) Benefit Toolkit (for a future meeting) (Item 6.1)

The delegation request, submitted by Denise Sterling, Service Canada, respecting the Canada Pension Plan Disability (CPP-D) Benefit Toolkit, was approved for a future meeting.

(j) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7) (CONTINUED)

(i) Built Environment Working Group Update (Item 7.1)

No update.

(ii) Housing Issues Working Group Update (Item 7.2)

No update.

(iii) Outreach Working Group Update (Item 7.3)

No update.

(iv) Transportation Working Group Update (Item 7.4)

The Transportation Working Group Meeting Notes of September 24, 2019 (Item 7.4(a)), were received.

(v) Wheelchair and Scooter Safety Working Group Update (Item 7.5)

No update.

(vi) Disability Justice and Climate Crisis Working Group Update (Item 7.6)

A. Wilson indicated that the Disability Justice and Climate Crisis Working Group has met and discussed the Working Group's scope and workplan.

The verbal update from A. Wilson, respecting the Disability Justice and Climate Crisis Working Group, was received.

(vii) Community Safety Working Group Update (Item 7.7)

A. Wilson indicated that the Community Safety Working Group has met and discussed the Working Group's scope and workplan. A written update has been prepared and will be shared with Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities at the December 10, 2019 meeting.

The verbal update from A. Wilson, respecting the Community Safety Working Group, was received.

(k) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10) (CONTINUED)

- (a) That the following discussion items be deferred to the December 10, 2019 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting due to time constraints:

- (i) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Working Group Review (Item 10.2)
- (ii) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Working Group Accommodation (Item 10.3)
- (b) That the following discussion item be deferred to the January 14, 2020 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting due to time constraints:
 - (i) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Terms of Reference Review (Item 10.4)

(I) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

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

J. Bowen, Supervisor, Diversity and Inclusion, noted that the City has received numerous accessibility concerns related to snow clearing following the major snow fall on November 11, 2019.

The verbal update from J. Bowen, respecting Accessibility Complaints to the City of Hamilton, was received.

(ii) *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA) Update (Item 13.2)*

J. Bowen, Supervisor, Diversity and Inclusion, advised that Ontario's Information and Communication Standards Development Committee invited feedback from the public on the Information and Communication Accessibility Standard under the AODA.

The verbal update from J. Bowen, respecting the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005* (AODA), was received.

(iii) Presenters List for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 13.3)

The following is a listing of invited presenters for future Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meetings:

- A representative of Community Living Hamilton
- A representative of Community Para-Med
- A representative of LHIN Home and Community Care (formerly Community Care Access Centre Hamilton)
- Sarah Jama, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion
- Director of Housing Services
- Emergency Management Staff
- Donna Skelly, MPP Flamborough-Glanbrook

(iv) Innovative Accessibility Projects Showcase Webinar Review (Deferred from the October 8, 2019 meeting, as quorum was not achieved) (Item 13.4)

S. Aaron and the late J. Hawker attended an Innovative Accessibility Projects Showcase Webinar on September 25, 2019, which was organized by the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility.

The correspondence from the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility respecting the Innovative Accessibility Projects Showcase Webinar, was received.

(v) General Meeting Procedures Update (Deferred from the October 8, 2019 meeting, as quorum was not achieved) (Item 13.5)

A. Mallet noted that she met with A. Davenport, Legislative Coordinator, J. Bowen, Supervisor, Diversity and Inclusion, and Janet Pilon, Deputy Clerk, on September 18, 2019 to discuss the Committee's concerns respecting recent changes to Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting procedures.

Topics of discussion included, but were not limited to, the following:

- Term of the Committee Chair;
- Council Representative; and,
- Procedure for requesting to speak at Committee and Working Group meetings.

The verbal update from A. Mallett, respecting General Meeting Procedures, was received.

(vi) Review of Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Outstanding Business List (Deferred from the October 8, 2019 meeting, as quorum was not achieved) (Item 13.6)

Review of Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Outstanding Business List was deferred to the January 14, 2020 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting due to time constraints.

(m) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

There being no further business, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Mallet, Chair
Advisory Committee for
Persons with Disabilities

Alicia Davenport
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk