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ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES Housing Issues Working Group Meeting Notes

Tuesday, October 20, 2020

Virtual Webex Meeting

10:00a.m. – 12:00p.m.

Those in attendance: James Kemp, Paula Kilburn, Jayne Cardno, Tom Manzuk, Anthony Frisina, Lance Dingman

Also Present: Taline Morris, Robert Semkow

Those Absent: Michele Dent, Mary Sinclair, Sophie Geffros

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Agenda was approved.
3. Sept 22 minutes approved
4. Terms of Reference: We discussed the TOR draft drawn up by the chair. It was refined and a second draft will be presented for approval or further refinement at the next meeting.
5. Motion to Housing and Homelessness: We discussed the possibility of opening a dialogue with the Housing and Homelessness Committee or at the very least, draft a motion of support regarding the need for change and improvements to Residential Care Services. Paula unofficially reached out to the Chair of Housing and Homelessness and they did not seem too receptive about the idea of working together. It was decided to make it a more general motion regarding housing for the disabled
6. Accessibility Guidelines for Sensory Loss: We discussed the information package sent to us from DeafBlind Ontario Services regarding modifications to the home for a number of different needs. It is closer to the idea of Universal Design. We will ask them to attend a future HWG meeting so we can learn more before bringing Universal Design to Council. Chair has already made

some notes in accordance with the suggestions provided: Technology in Housing, Built in WiFi, Engagement IT technology, Parity with the Abled.

7. Presenters List: We discussed possible future presenters: Shelter program physicians: Dr. Miles St. Jean, Dr. Tim Oshea; Paul Johnson, Brian Krebs
8. Other Business: We discussed the sample letter regarding universal accessible housing. We also briefly discussed a motion that Jayne put forth regarding homelessness. I will add it to next month's discussion.
9. Adjournment