



Hamilton

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES
REPORT 21-004**

4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

**Due to COVID-19 and the Closure of City Hall,
this meeting was held virtually.**

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger
A. Mallet (Chair), P. Kilburn (Vice-Chair), S. Aaron,
P. Cameron, J. Cardno, M. Dent, L. Dingman,
J. Kemp, T. Manzuk, C. McBride, M. McNeil,
T. Murphy, K. Nolan and T. Nolan

Absent

with regrets: A. Frisina, S. Geffros and M. Sinclair

Also Present: J. Bowen, Supervisor, Diversity and Inclusion
C. Cutler, Advisor to the Mayor

**THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES PRESENTS REPORT 21-004 AND
RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

- 1. Virtual Collaborative Roundtable Meeting to Discuss
Changes and Challenges to Public Transportation in
Hamilton (Added Item 7.4(b))**

WHEREAS, the Transportation Working Group of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities respectfully requests to organize and host such a collaborative meeting for the purposes to provide updated information and learning about the issues faced by Hamiltonians; and,

WHEREAS, representatives of Transportation Working Groups from other City Volunteer Advisory Committees as well as representatives from various community organizations and stakeholders (such as Canadian National Institute for the Blind, Multiple Sclerosis Society, Canadian Hard of Hearing Association, L'Arche Hamilton, Hamilton Regional Indian Centre, etc.) will benefit from the knowledge of the shared challenges faced during the time of the pandemic and beyond;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That members of the Transportation Working Group of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be authorized to organize and host a virtual collaborative roundtable meeting in 2021 with key stakeholders and staff experts, for the purpose of discussing changes and challenges to public transportation in Hamilton during the pandemic and beyond.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

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

7. CONSENT ITEMS

7.4 Transportation Working Group Update

7.4(b) Virtual Collaborative Roundtable
Meeting to Discuss Changes and
Challenges to Public
Transportation in Hamilton

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF ITEMS:

The following items were moved up on the agenda to be considered immediately following the Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

8.1 PRESTO on DARTS Demonstration

10.1 Long-Term COVID-19 Related Issues for Persons with Disabilities

The agenda for the April 13, 2021 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 4)

(i) March 9, 2021 (Item 4.1)

The minutes of the March 9, 2021 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, were approved, as presented.

(d) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)

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

(a) Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes – February 2, 2021 (Item 7.1(a))

The Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes of February 2, 2021, were received.

(b) Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes – March 2, 2021 (Item 7.1(b))

The Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes of March 2, 2021, were received.

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

(a) Housing Issues Working Group Meeting Notes – February 16, 2021 (Item 7.2(a))

The Housing Issues Working Group Meeting Notes of February 16, 2021, were received.

(iii) Outreach Working Group Update (Item 7.3)

The Outreach Working Group is focused on the development of an informational pamphlet on the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to be used in outreach efforts in the community. Once the Outreach Working Group has finalized the content and design of the pamphlet, it will be brought before the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities for approval.

The verbal update, respecting the Outreach Working Group, was received.

(iv) Transportation Working Group Update (Item 7.4)

**(a) Transportation Working Group Meeting Notes
– March 23, 2021 (Item 7.4(a))**

The Transportation Working Group Meeting Notes of March 23, 2021, were received.

(v) Strategic Planning Working Group Update (Item 7.5)

No update.

(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) PRESTO on DARTS Demonstration (Item 8.1)

Eva Balog, Project Manager, Fare Systems, addressed Committee respecting PRESTO on DARTS Demonstration, with the aid of a presentation.

The presentation, respecting a PRESTO on DARTS Demonstration, was received.

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

**(i) Long-Term COVID-19 Related Issues for Persons
with Disabilities (Item 10.1)**

Mayor Fred Eisenberger addressed and answered questions of Committee respecting Long-Term COVID-19 Related Issues for Persons with Disabilities.

The verbal update, respecting Long-Term COVID-19 Related Issues for Persons with Disabilities, was received.

Aznive Mallett relinquished the Chair to Paula Kilburn in order to provide the Committee with the following update:

(ii) Update on Roundtable Meeting, Hosted by Hamilton Mountain MPP Monique Taylor, respecting COVID-19 Vaccination Roll Out for Persons with Disabilities (Item 10.2)

Aznive Mallett provided the Committee with an update on the virtual roundtable meeting hosted by Monique Taylor, Member of Provincial Parliament for Hamilton Mountain, on April 7, 2021 to discuss the vaccination roll out for adults with disabilities hosted.

The verbal update, respecting a Roundtable Meeting, Hosted by Hamilton Mountain MPP Monique Taylor, respecting COVID-19 Vaccination Roll Out for Persons with Disabilities, was received.

Aznive Mallett assumed the Chair.

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

(a) The following items were deferred to the May 11, 2021 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting due to time constraints:

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

- (ii) *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA) Update (Item 13.2)*
- (iii) Presenters List for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 13.3)

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

There being no further business, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Mallet, Chair
Advisory Committee for
Persons with Disabilities

Alicia Davenport
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk