



Hamilton

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES
REPORT 22-011**

4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Room 264, 2nd Floor

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: A. Mallett (Chair), J. Kemp (Vice-Chair),
S. Aaron, P. Cameron, J. Cardno, M. Dent,
L. Dingman, L. Janosi, T. Manzuk,
M. McNeil, T. Murphy, K. Nolan, T. Nolan,

Absent

with Regrets: Mayor F. Eisenberger, A. Frisina,
P. Kilburn, C. McBride, R. Semkow

Chair Mallett called the meeting to order and recognized that the Committee is meeting on the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, HuronWendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share

and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. It was further acknowledged that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The City of Hamilton is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and it was recognized that we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers.

THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PRESENTS REPORT 22-011 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

(1) Attendance at the National Conference on Ending Homelessness, November 2 – 4, 2022 (Item 11.1)

WHEREAS, the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness is hosting the National Conference on Ending Homelessness, November 2 – 4, 2022, in a hybrid format, offering the option to register for in person in Toronto or remote participation;

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities recognizes there are concerns related to escalating costs of disabilities and barriers to social inclusion that can result in homelessness, as expressed in its correspondence to Hamilton's General Issues Committee, dated July 21, 2022; and

WHEREAS, interest has been expressed by members of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities in participating remotely in the National Conference on Ending Homelessness, November 2 – 4, 2022.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the registration fee for up to two Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities members to participate remotely in the National Conference on Ending Homelessness, November 2 – 4, 2022, hosted by the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness, to be funded from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities' 2022 approved budget for conferences and related travel expenses, to an upset limit of \$875, be approved.

2. Request from Anthony Frisina for a Leave of Absence (Item 11.2)

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Advisory Committee Procedural Handbook, members of the Committee who miss more than three meetings during their term without Committee approval, may be subject to replacement on the Committee and may not be eligible for re-appointment;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the request from Anthony Frisina for a leave of absence from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities for the duration of up to three months, be approved.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

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

7. CONSENT ITEMS

- 7.5(b) Review of the Proposed Work Plan for the Strategic Planning Working Group – DEFERRED to the October ACPD meeting.

8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

- 8.1 2022 Municipal Election: Poll Locations and Planning for Accessibility. Presentation distributed. DEFERRED to the October ACPD meeting.
- 8.2 Accessible Transportation Services (ATS) Statistics. Presentation distributed.

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 10.2 Review of the Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities. DEFERRED to the October ACPD meeting.

The agenda for the September 13, 2022, 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 MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) August 9, 2022 (Item 4.1)

The August 9, 2022, minutes of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting, were approved, as presented.

(d) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)

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

No update.

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

J. Kemp provided a verbal update respecting the Housing Issues Working Group.

The verbal update from J. Kemp respecting the Housing Issues Working Group, was received.

(iii) Outreach Working Group Update (Item 7.3)

(1) Outreach Working Group - Accessibility Fair Update – September 6, 2022 (Item 7.3 (a))

The Outreach Working Group Accessibility Fair Update of September 6, 2022, was received.

(2) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Table at the Accessibility Fair (Item 7.3 (b))

Committee reviewed the volunteer requirements and details related to ACPD's information table on the day of the Accessibility Fair, October 5, 2022.

The discussion respecting the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Table at the Accessibility Fair, was received.

(iv) Transportation Working Group Update (Item 7.4)

S. Aaron provided a verbal update respecting the Transportation Working Group's review of Accessible Transportation Services (ATS) compliance with the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*.

The verbal update from S. Aaron respecting the Transportation Working Group, was received.

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

(1) Strategic Planning Working Group Meeting Notes – August 17, 2022 (Item 7.5 (a))

The Strategic Planning Working Group Meeting Notes of August 17, 2022, were received.

(vi) Accessible Open Spaces and Parklands Working Group Update (Item 7.6)

(1) Accessible Open Spaces and Parklands Working Group Meeting Notes – July 27, 2022 (Item 7.6 (a))

The Accessible Open Spaces and Parklands Working Group Meeting Notes of July 27, 2022, were received.

(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Accessible Transportation Services (ATS) Statistics (Item 8.2)

Michelle Martin, Manager Accessible Transportation Services provided the Committee with an overview of the Accessible Transportation Services (ATS) Performance Report for Q2, 2022, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation respecting Accessible Transportation Services (ATS) Performance Report for Q2, 2022, was received.

(ii) Hamilton Street Railway (HSR) 2022 Annual Event (Item 8.3)

Michelle Martin, Manager Accessible Transportation Services provided the Committee with a verbal update respecting the Hamilton Street Railway (HSR) 2022 Annual Event.

The verbal update respecting the Hamilton Street Railway (HSR) 2022 Annual Event, was received.

(iii) DARTS Procedures during the Municipal Election (Item 8.4)

Michelle Martin, Manager Accessible Transportation Services provided the Committee with a verbal update respecting the procedures for booking DARTS trips to vote in the Municipal Election.

The verbal update respecting the procedures for booking DARTS trips to vote in the Municipal Election, was received.

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

(i) AODA Annual Status Report (Item 10.1)

Jessica Bowen, Manager, Diversity and Inclusion, advised that a draft of the AODA Annual Status Report will be provided to Committee members for review and comment prior to being presented at a future meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities.

The update respecting the AODA Annual Status Report, to be presented at a future meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, was received.

(g) MOTIONS (Item 11)

(i) Attendance at the National Conference on Ending Homelessness, November 2 – 4, 2022 (Item 11.1)

A. Mallett relinquished the Chair to J. Kemp in order to introduce a motion respecting Attendance at the National Conference on Ending Homelessness, November 2 – 4, 2022.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

A. Mallett assumed the Chair.

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

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

Jessica Bowen, Manager, Diversity and Inclusion provided a verbal update respecting Accessibility Complaints to the City of Hamilton from May 1 to September 1, 2022. The concerns reported were summarized as related to: 9 - blocked sidewalks; 5 - City Housing; 5 - parks; 1 - accessible street sign; 4 - lack of accessibility at private businesses; 1 - audible tone at a traffic light not working; 1 - request for a ramp at a private business.

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

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

No update.

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

No update.

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

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

Respectfully submitted,

Aznive Mallett, Chair
Advisory Committee for
Persons with Disabilities

Carrie McIntosh
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