

Notes

Strategic Planning Working Group

Thursday October 13th 2022

2:30 PM until 4:30 PM

Present: Patty, James, Paula, Tom, Tim, Mark, Aznive

Regrets: Jayne, Anthony

1. **Ability Fair.** Although this will be fully discussed at OWG, a comprehensive discussion ensued regarding the Ability Fair. It was quite successful and appreciated by participants as well as City Hall staff and councilors. Is this part of ACPD mandate? We do not have a budget for this, but we had a reserve budget due to Covid which we used. Options to consider include to ask the city to put on this event with ACPD as part of a team, request a budget from the city or province or federal government. After OWG discusses this there will be opportunities for motions regarding future options.
2. **Audit of DARTS vehicles.** Options for ACPD include sending a comment to Council about the report. Concern there will be injuries to passengers and drivers. DARTS board members reported vehicles are leased and then sent to a specialized shop where

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they are retrofitted. All decisions are by ATS and city Council. This will be on the agenda for the November meeting and Tim will put forward a motion.

3. The statistical reports on accessible transportation sent by ATS/DARTS are not in the same format or the same information as was previously shared with ACPD. Aznive will request Maureen provide the same format as was provided previously.
4. **ACPD minutes.** Pre-Covid, ACPD had decided we need full minutes taken which identify the discussion and the decisions made, not just motions. As legislative clerks do not include this information in their minutes, ACPD should take our own minutes. This could be done by recording the meeting and making the notes from that or hiring someone to take the minutes. There is money in the budget to do this.
5. Aznive reminded the group about protocol regarding contacting the mayor for any ACPD business.
6. The link to join ACPD and working group meetings. This will be put on the agenda for discussion in November with the goal to make it smoother and easier.
7. Response from police board has not happened. In the November meeting Jo-Ann Savoie will share the

response from the deputy chief. ACPD should consider re-inviting the chief of police.

8. **Accessibility at the municipal election polls.** This will be on the November agenda for a full discussion. Potentially we can invite Andrea to discuss this with ACPD.

9. Adjournment at 4:30 PM.