



Hamilton

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES
REPORT 23-002**

4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

Room 264, 2nd Floor

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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

Absent

with Regrets: L. Janosi, C. McBride, R. Semkow

Acting Chair Murphy 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 23-002 AND
RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

**1. Investigation of Light Rail Transit (LRT) Systems
in Neighbouring Municipalities by Members of the
Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities
(no copy) (Item 11.1)**

WHEREAS, the Transportation Working Group believes that it would be beneficial for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to review and identify accessibility barriers of Light Rail Transit (LRT) Systems in neighbouring municipalities like Kitchener and make recommendations with regard to barrier removal and prevention in compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act and the Ontario Human Rights Code;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Members of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be approved to travel to neighbouring municipalities to review and identify accessibility barriers of Light Rail Transit (LRT) Systems in neighbouring municipalities like Kitchener and make recommendations with regard to barrier removal and prevention in compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act and the Ontario Human Rights Code; and
 - (b) That the transportation costs be funded from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 2023 approved budget for conferences and related travel expenses, to an upset limit of \$1,000.
- (2) Transfer of the Remaining Funds from the 2022 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disability Budget to the Reserve (Item 12.1)**

That remaining funds from the 2022 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Budget be transferred to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Reserve, to the maximum allowable amount.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

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

8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

8.1 Transit Fare Equity Program - WITHDRAWN

The Agenda for the February 14, 2023, 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 OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) January 10, 2023 (Item 4.1)

The January 10, 2023, minutes of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting, were approved, as presented.

(d) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Elaine Logie, Hamilton Disability Employment Network, respecting Serving Persons with Disabilities in Finding Employment (approved January 10, 2023) (Item 7.1)

Elaine Logie, Program Coordinator, Shannon McCracken, Co-Chair, and Kelly Sward, Committee Member, Hamilton Disability Employment Network, provided the Committee with a presentation respecting serving persons with disabilities in finding employment, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The delegation was granted an additional 5 minutes, beyond the 5-minute time limit, to complete their delegation respecting serving persons with disabilities in finding employment.

The presentation by Elaine Logie, Program Coordinator, Shannon McCracken, Co-Chair, and Kelly Sward, Committee Member, Hamilton Disability Employment Network respecting serving persons with disabilities in finding employment, was received.

(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Accessibility Award Program (Item 8.2)

Jocelyn Strutt, Senior Project Manager, Community Engagement, provided a verbal presentation respecting the Accessibility Award Program.

The presentation from Jocelyn Strutt, Senior Project Manager, Community Engagement, respecting the Accessibility Award Program, was received.

- (a) That Jocelyn Strutt, Senior Project Manager, Community Engagement, be invited to attend the Outreach Working Group to consult respecting the Accessibility Award Program; and
- (b) That the recommendations of the Outreach Working Group respecting the proposed Accessibility Award Program be brought back to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities for consideration prior to being presented to the General Issues Committee.

(f) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 9)

(i) Consent Items (Items 9.1 - 9.6)

The following updates and meeting notes, were received:

- (1) Built Environment Working Group Update (Item 9.1)
 - (a) Built Environment Working Group Outstanding Business List 2018-2022 Term (Item 9.1(a))
- (2) Housing Issues Working Group Update (Item 9.2)
 - (a) Housing Issues Working Group Meeting Notes – January 17, 2023 (Item 9.2(a))
- (3) Outreach Working Group Update (Item 9.3)
 - (a) Outreach Working Group Meeting Notes - January 17, 2023 (Item 9.3(a))
 - (b) Outreach Working Group Outstanding Business List, February 2023 (Item 9.3(b))
- (4) Transportation Working Group Update (Item 9.4)

(a) Transportation Working Group Meeting
Notes - January 24, 2023 (Item 9.4(a))

(5) Strategic Planning Working Group Update
(Item 9.5)

(a) Strategic Planning Working Group
Accomplishments 2018-2022 Term
(Item 9.5(a))

(6) Accessible Open Spaces and Parklands
Working Group Update (Item 9.6)

(a) Accessible Outdoor Spaces and
Parklands Working Group
Accomplishments 2018-2022 Term
(Item 9.6(a))

**(g) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS
(Item 14)**

**(i) Accessibility Complaints to the City of
Hamilton (Item 14.1)**

No update.

**(ii) *Accessibility for Ontario with Disabilities Act,
2005 (AODA)* (Item 14.2)**

No update.

**(iii) Presenters List for the Advisory Committee
for Persons with Disabilities (Item 14.3)**

The presenter's list attached to the February 14, 2023, Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Agenda was received.

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

There being no further business, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Murphy, Acting Chair
Advisory Committee for
Persons with Disabilities

Carrie McIntosh
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk