



Hamilton

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH  
DISABILITIES  
REPORT 23-004**

4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Room 264, 2nd Floor

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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

**Absent**

**with Regrets:** C. McBride, K. Nolan, R. Semkow

**Also Present:** Councillor C. Kroetsch

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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 23-004**

### **1. Review of the Code of Conduct for Local Boards (Item 11.1)**

- (i)** WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities feels that the Code of Conduct for Local Boards holds Advisory Committee members to the standard of elected official, which is asking a lot of City volunteers.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

That the Code of Conduct for Local Boards be revised to hold Advisory Committee members to a volunteer standard rather than the standard of an elected official.

(ii) That the language within the Code of Conduct for Local Boards be simplified.

**2. Invitation to a Representative of Canadian Housing Evidence Collaborative, McMaster University to Attend a Meeting of the Housing Issues Working Group to Discuss their Report “Toward a Sustainable Housing System in Hamilton: Framing the Issues” (Item 12.1)**

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities’ (ACPD) Housing Issues Working Group (HWG) is mandated to advise Council on removing and preventing new barriers in housing for persons with disabilities, highlight deficiencies, seek solutions and anticipate accessible housing needs for the future;

WHEREAS, the HWG is currently working on recommendations regarding affordable/attainable housing and more accurately highlighting the barriers that not having enough affordable housing creates for persons with disabilities;

WHEREAS, on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Steve Pomeroy from the Canadian Housing Evidence Collaborative (CHEC), McMaster University, presented a report to the General Issues Committee entitled, “Toward a Sustainable Housing System in Hamilton: Framing the Issues” that contains important information that is directly related to the HWG’s current work; and

WHEREAS, inviting Steve Pomeroy or a representative from the CHEC to attend an upcoming HWG meeting would greatly improve members' understanding of the complexities around these issues enabling the HWG to provide more comprehensive recommendations and advise Council more thoroughly.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That a representative from the Canadian Housing Evidence Collaborative (CHEC) be invited to attend a future meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities' Housing Issues Working Group to discuss their report "Toward a Sustainable Housing System in Hamilton: Framing the Issues".

**3. Invitation to Planning and Economic Development Staff to Attend a Meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities', Strategic Planning Working Group, for an Update Respecting the E-Scooter Pilot Program (Item 12.2)**

That Planning and Development staff be invited to attend a future meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities', Strategic Planning Working Group, to provide an update respecting the E-Scooter Pilot Program.

**4. Participation of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities in the 2023 Seniors Kickoff Event (Added Item 14.7)**

That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities participation in the 2023 Seniors Kickoff Event, at a cost of \$50, to be funded from the ACPD approved budget for Conferences and Related Travel Expenses (ID 300303), be approved.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)**

The Committee Clerk advised the Committee that the Accessibility Award Program Summary, an attachment to the Staff Presentation (Item 8.2) was published to the Agenda, for information purposes.

The Agenda for the April 11, 2023, meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, was approved.

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)**

**(i) March 14, 2023 (Item 4.1)**

The March 14, 2023, minutes of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting, were approved, as presented.

**(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)**

**(i) City of Hamilton Election 2022, Post-Election Accessibility Report (Item 8.1)**

Aine Leadbetter, Manager, Elections and Print/Mail, provided a presentation respecting the City of Hamilton Election 2022, Post-Election Accessibility Report, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

- (a) The presentation from Aine Leadbetter, Manager, Elections and Print/Mail, respecting the City of Hamilton Election 2022, Post-Election Accessibility Report, was received; and
- (b) The City of Hamilton Election 2022, Post-Election Accessibility Report, was received.

**(ii) Accessibility Award Program (Item 8.2)**

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

- (a) The verbal presentation from Jocelyn Strutt, Senior Project Manager Community Engagement, respecting the Accessibility Award Program, was received; and
- (b) The Accessibility Award Program, was received.

**(e) 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 Meeting Notes - February 7, 2023 (Item 9.1(a))

- (b) Built Environment Working Group - Outstanding Business List - 2018-2022 Term (Item 9.1(b))
- (2) Housing Issues Working Group Update (Item 9.2)
  - (a) Housing Issues Working Group Meeting Notes - February 21, 2023 (Item 9.2(a))
  - (b) Housing Issues Working Group - Outstanding Business List - 2023 – Final (Item 9.2(b))
- (3) Outreach Working Group Update (Item 9.3)
  - (a) Outreach Working Group Meeting Notes - March 6, 2023 (Item 9.3(a))
  - (b) Outreach Working Group - Accessibility Fair Final Report - November 15, 2022 (Item 9.3(b))
- (4) Transportation Working Group Update (Item 9.4)

S. Aaron provided a verbal update respecting the Transportation Working Group.



- (5) Strategic Planning Working Group Update  
(Item 9.5)
  - (a) Strategic Planning Working Group  
Meeting Notes - March 23, 2023 (Item  
9.5(a))
- (6) Accessible Open Spaces and Parklands  
Working Group Update (Item 9.6)

No update.

**(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 11)**

**(i) Review of the Code of Conduct for Local  
Boards (Item 11.1)**

WHEREAS, the Committee feels that they  
require more time to review the Code of Conduct  
for Local Boards.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Review of the Code of Conduct for Local  
Boards was deferred to the May 9, 2023,  
Committee meeting in order to consider  
additional recommendations.

**(g) MOTIONS (Item 12)**

A. Mallett relinquished the Chair to J. Kemp in order to introduce the following Motion:

**(i) Invitation to Planning and Economic Development Staff to Attend a Meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities for an Update Respecting the E-Scooter Pilot Program**

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

A. Mallett assumed the Chair.

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

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

Due to time constraints, the update respecting Accessibility Complaints to the City of Hamilton, was deferred.

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

Due to time constraints, the update respecting Accessibility for Ontario with Disabilities Act, 2005, was deferred.

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

No update.

**(iv) Restructuring the Board of Health (Item 14.4)**

Councillor Kroetsch was in attendance to answer questions respecting the motion at the April 12, 2023 meeting of Council respecting Restructuring the Board of Health.

The discussion respecting the Councillor Kroetsch's motion at the April 12, 2023 meeting of Council, was received.

**(v) Donation in Memory of Tom Manzuk (Item 14.5)**

**(Kemp/Kilburn)**

Due to time constraints, the discussion respecting a donation in the memory of Tom Manzuk on behalf of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, was deferred.

**(vi) Investigation of Light Rail Transit (LRT) Systems in Neighbouring Municipalities by Members of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 14.6)**

Due to time constraints, the update respecting Investigation of Light Rail Transit (LRT) Systems in Neighbouring Municipalities by Members of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, was deferred.

A. Mallett relinquished the Chair to J. Kemp in order to introduce the following Motion:

**(vii) Participation of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities in the 2023 Seniors Kickoff Event (Added Item 14.7)**

For further disposition, refer to Item 4.

A. Mallett assumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

**(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)**

There being no further business, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Aznive Mallett, Chair  
Advisory Committee for  
Persons with Disabilities

Carrie McIntosh  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk