



Hamilton

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH  
DISABILITIES  
REPORT 23-009**

4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 12, 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), P. Cameron,  
L. Dingman, A. Frisina, L. Janosi, P. Kilburn,  
T. Murphy, K. Nolan, and T. Nolan

**Absent**

**with Regrets:** S. Aaron, J. Cardno, M. Dent, M. McNeil,  
R. Semkow

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**THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH  
DISABILITIES PRESENTS REPORT 23-009 AND  
RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

- 1. Amendment to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities' Terms of Reference to Include the**

## **Annual “Ability First” Accessibility Fair (Item 12.2)**

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities’ Outreach Working Group organizes an Annual “Ability First” Accessibility Fair; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial for the success of the event if all members of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities were to participate in the organization and planning of the Annual “Ability First” Accessibility Fair, including on the day of the event.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be amended by adding thereto a section after “Working Groups” entitled “Annual Events” and listing the “Ability First” Accessibility Fair” as follows:

### **Annual Events**

#### *“Ability First” Accessibility Fair*

Members of ACPD shall be strongly encouraged to participate in the organization and planning of the Annual “Ability First” Accessibility Fair, which would include their attendance and participation on the day of the event.

## **FOR INFORMATION:**

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

The Committee Clerk advised that there were no changes to the Agenda.

The Agenda for the September 12, 2023, meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, was approved, as presented.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

#### **(i) August 8, 2023 (Item 4.1)**

The August 8, 2023, minutes of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting, were approved, as presented.

### **(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)**

#### **(i) Correspondence from Shahan Aaron respecting his Resignation from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities**

The correspondence from Shahan Aaron respecting his resignation from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, was received.

The Clerk advised the Committee that the quorum for Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities will be adjusted accordingly.

**(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)**

**(i) Accessible Transit Services Customer Survey (Item 8.1)**

Michelle Martin, Manager of Accessible Transportation Services, provided a presentation respecting the Accessible Transit Services Customer Survey, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation from Michelle Martin, Manager of Accessible Transportation Services, respecting the Accessible Transit Services Customer Survey, was received.

Staff were directed to invite HSR staff to an upcoming meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to discuss the HSR Fare Assist Program.

**(f) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 9)**

**(i) Built Environment Working Group Update (Item 9.1)**

P. Kilburn provided a verbal update respecting the Built Environment Working Group.

For further disposition of this item refer to Item (f)(v)(1).

**(ii) Outreach Working Group Update (Item 9.3)**

J. Kemp provided a verbal update respecting the Outreach Working Group.

For further disposition of this item refer to Item (f)(v)(2).

**(iii) Strategic Planning Working Group Update (Item 9.5)**

A. Mallett provided a verbal update respecting the Strategic Planning Working Group.

For further disposition of this item refer to Item (f)(v)(3).

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

T. Nolan provided a verbal update respecting Accessible Open Spaces and Parklands Working Group.

For further disposition of this item refer to Item (f)(v)(4).

- (v) The following Consent Items were received:
- (1) Built Environment Working Group Update (Item 9.1)
  - (2) Outreach Working Group Update (Item 9.3)
    - (a) “Ability First” Accessibility Fair Update – September 2023 (Item 9.3(a))
  - (3) Strategic Planning Working Group Update (Item 9.5)
    - (a) Strategic Planning Working Group Meeting Notes – August 4, 4023 (Item 9.5(a))
  - (4) Accessible Open Spaces and Parklands Working Group Update (Item 9.6)
- (vi) Staff were directed to invite staff from Planning and Economic Development Department to attend a future meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to discuss options for off-

road transportation systems for people with disabilities.

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

**(i) Delegation to the CityHousing Hamilton Board of Directors respecting the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities' Housing Issues Working Group's Recommendations to Improve Accessible Housing in CityHousing Hamilton Buildings (Item 12.1)**

WHEREAS, Council on September 13, 2023 directed staff to forward the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities' report entitled: "ACPD Housing Working Group's Recommendations to Improve Accessible Housing in CityHousing Hamilton Buildings for Simplified Customer Service, Better Quality of Life and More Stable Housing in Accordance With the AODA" to the Chief Executive Officer of CityHousing Hamilton with a request to add this matter to the agenda of an upcoming meeting of the CityHousing Hamilton Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to choose the members of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities who will be presenting at an upcoming meeting of the CityHousing Hamilton Board of Directors when the report respecting the "Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

Housing Working Group’s Recommendations to Improve Accessible Housing in CityHousing Hamilton Buildings for Simplified Customer Service, Better Quality of Life and More Stable Housing in Accordance With the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)*” is being considered.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the following members of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be selected to delegate to the CityHousing Hamilton Board of Directors when the report respecting the “Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Housing Working Group’s Recommendations to Improve Accessible Housing in CityHousing Hamilton Buildings for Simplified Customer Service, Better Quality of Life and More Stable Housing in Accordance With the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)*” is considered:
  - (i) James Kemp
  - (ii) Paula Kilburn
  - (iii) Tim Nolan



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

**(i) Presenter's List to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 14.1)**

The updates to the Presenter's List for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities attached to Advisory Committee for Report 23-009, were received.

**(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)**

There being no further business, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Aznive Mallett, Chair  
Advisory Committee for  
Persons with Disabilities

Carrie McIntosh  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk

## Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD)

### Presenters List as of August 8, 2023

The following is a listing of invited presenters for future Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meetings:

- (a) **Invitee:** Denise Davy, author of Her Name Was Margaret: Life and Death on the Streets  
**Issue:**  
**Date Action Initiated:** October 12, 2021, Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 19-011, Item 4(a).  
**Status:** Ongoing – Invitation sent to attend a future meeting.
  
- (b) **Invitee:** Sara Mayo, Geographical Information Systems Specialist, Social Planning & Research Council of Hamilton  
**Issue:** To discuss findings of the relationship between poverty and disability across the City of Hamilton.  
**Date Action Initiated:** February 8, 2022, Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 22-002, Item 7.  
**Status:** On-going. Invitation sent to attend a future meeting.

- (c) **Invitee:** Dr. Lovaye Kajiura, McMaster IMPACT Initiative  
**Issue:** To discuss present respecting the McMaster IMPACT Initiative  
**Date Action Initiated:** Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 22-006, Item 8 (Approved by Council June 22, 2022 - GIC Report 22-012, Item 10 (h))  
**Status:** Complete August 8, 2023. To be removed from list.
- (d) **Invitee:** Staff  
**Issue:** Differences Between By-laws, Regulations and Guidelines  
**Date Action Initiated:** June 14, 2022, Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 22-007 (Approved by Council July 8, 2022 - GIC Report 22-014, Item 14 (c))  
**Status:** On-going. Invitation sent to attend a future meeting.
- (e) **Invitee:** PED Staff  
**Issue:** Staff report on the Built Environment Working Group's Work Plan  
**Date Action Initiated:** January 10, 2023. Report directed by GIC Report 21-006, Item (h)(i) in response to Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 21-003, March 9, 2021  
**Status:** On-going. Invitation sent to attend a future meeting.

- (f) **Invitee:** Public Works Staff (Transit)  
**Issue:** Policies and Procedures to Rescue and Safely Transport Stranded Pedestrians and their Mobility Devices  
**Date Action Initiated:** January 10, 2023. Directed by GIC Report 22-012, Item 10(e), in response to Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 22-006, May 24, 2022, *as amended*.  
**Status:** On-going. Invitation sent to attend a future meeting.
- (g) **Invitee:** Representative of the Canadian Housing Evidence Collaborative, McMaster University  
**Issue:** to Discuss their Report “Toward a Sustainable Housing System in Hamilton: Framing the Issues”  
**Date Action Initiated:** April 11, 2023. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 23-004 (GIC Report 23-014, Item 4(b)(ii))  
**Status:** On-going. Invitation sent to attend a future meeting.
- (h) **Invitee:** Planning and Economic Development staff  
**Issue:** To attend Strategic Planning Working Group to provide an update respecting the E-Scooter Pilot Program  
**Date Action Initiated:** April 11, 2023. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 23-004 (GIC Report 23-014, Item 4(b)(iii))

**Status:** On-going. Invitation sent to attend a future meeting.

(i) **Invitee:** Dr. Richardson  
**Issue:** Board of Health Changes and the Needs of Persons with Disabilities in Hamilton

**Date Action Initiated:** May 9, 2023. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 23-005

**Status:** On-going. Invitation sent to attend a future meeting.

(j) **Invitee:** By-law staff.

**Issue:** Sidewalk Snow Clearing By-law

**Date Action Initiated:** June 13, 2023. ACPD Report 23-006, Item (g)(i)

**Status:** On-going. Invitation sent to attend a future meeting.