



Hamilton

**ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES**

REPORT 24-011

4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

Room 264, 2nd Floor Hamilton City Hall (Hybrid)

71 Main Street West

Present: J. Kemp (Chair), P. Kilburn (Vice-Chair) (virtually), L. Dingman, C. Hernould (virtually), H. Kaur (virtually), L. Janosi (virtually), L. Johanson (virtually), and M. McNeil (virtually)

Absent with

Regrets: Councillor M. Tadeson, H. Bonenfant, K. Nolan, T. Nolan

**THE ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES PRESENTS REPORT 24-011 AND
RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

**This Item has been accounted for in the proposed 2025
Tax Supported Budget and therefore is only provided
for information purposes:**

1. Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities 2025 Budget Submission (Item 11.3)

That the following be referred to the Mayor for consideration:

- (i) the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities base budget submission in the amount of \$23,172 for 2025.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

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

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 6.1 Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network, respecting Item 12.2 - Accessibility of Shelters and Supervised Encampments in the City of Hamilton (In person) (For today's meeting)

9. CONSENT ITEMS

- 9.2(a) Housing Working Group Meeting Notes – November 19, 2024

9.3(a) Outreach Working Group Meeting Notes –
November 19, 2024

The Agenda for the December 10, 2024, meeting of the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities, was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

J. Kemp declared a disqualifying interest with respect to Item 12.1, Honorarium for James Kemp Junior for Assisting with the Accessibility Fair and Accessibility Awards, as the motion is in consideration of an Honorarium for his son.

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

(i) November 12, 2024 (Item 4.1)

The minutes of the November 12, 2024 Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting, were approved, as presented.

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(i) Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network, respecting Item 12.2 - Accessibility of Shelters and Supervised Encampments in the City of Hamilton (In person) (For today's meeting) (Item 6.1)

The Delegation Request from Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network, respecting Item 12.2 - Accessibility of Shelters and Supervised Encampments in the City of Hamilton, was approved for today's meeting.

(e) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)

- (i) Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network of Ontario, respecting Universal Design Standards in the City Public and City Supported Housing (In person) (Approved October 8, 2024) (Item 7.1)**

Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network of Ontario, addressed Committee respecting Universal Design Standards in the City Public and City Supported Housing.

- (ii) Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network, respecting Item 12.2 - Accessibility of Shelters and Supervised Encampments in the City of Hamilton (In person) (For today's meeting) (Added Item 7.2)**

Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network of Ontario, addressed Committee respecting Item 12.2 - Accessibility of Shelters and Supervised Encampments in the City of Hamilton.

The delegations from Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network of Ontario respecting the following matters, were received:

- (1) Universal Design Standards in the City Public and City Supported Housing
- (2) Item 12.2 - Accessibility of Shelters and Supervised Encampments in the City of Hamilton.

(f) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 9)

J. Kemp relinquished the Chair to L. Janosi in order to provide the Built Environment Working Group Update (Item 9.1), Housing Working Group Update (Item 9.2) and Outreach Working Group Update (Item 9.3).

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

J. Kemp provided a verbal update.

(ii) Housing Working Group Update (Item 9.2)

J. Kemp provided a verbal update.

- (a) Housing Working Group Meeting Notes – November 19, 2024

(iii) Outreach Working Group Update (Item 9.3)

J. Kemp provided a verbal update.

(a) Outreach Working Group Meeting Notes –
November 19, 2024

J. Kemp assumed the Chair after he had provided the Committee with the respective updates.

(iv) Transportation Working Group Update (no copy) (Item 9.4)

P. Kilburn provided a verbal update.

(v) Strategic Planning Working Group Update (no copy) (Item 9.5)

No update.

(vi) Open Spaces and Parklands Working Group Update (no copy)

No update.

The following Consent Items, were received:

(1) Built Environment Working Group Update (no copy)
(Item 9.1)

(2) Housing Working Group Update (Item 9.2)

- (a) Housing Working Group Meeting Notes – November 19, 2024 (Item 9.2(a))
- (3) Outreach Working Group Update (Item 9.3)
 - (a) Outreach Working Group Meeting Notes – November 19, 2024 (Item 9.3(a)); and
- (4) Transportation Working Group Update (Item 9.4)
 - (a) Transportation Working Group Meeting Notes – October 22, 2024 (Item 9.4(a))
- (g) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 11)**

- (i) Accessible Transportation Services Policy Review Working Group Work Plan (Item 11.1)**

Michelle Martin, Manager of Accessible Transportation Service provided an overview of the Accessible Transportation Services Policy Review Working Group Work Plan.

The Accessible Transportation Services Policy Review Working Group Work Plan, was approved.

J. Kemp relinquished the Chair to P. Kilburn in order to discuss Item 11.2.

- (ii) Delegation Response (No copy) (Item 11.2)**

J. Kemp addressed Committee respecting a response from staff following a delegation by the Accessibility Committee respecting accessibility issues on the HSR to the Public Works Committee in February 2024.

The information provided by J. Kemp respecting the Delegation Response, was received.

(h) MOTIONS (Item 12)

J. Kemp relinquished the Chair to Levi Janosi and abstained from voting on the Honorarium for James Kemp Junior for Assisting with the Accessibility Fair and Accessibility Awards (Item 12.1) due to their declared conflict.

(i) Honorarium for James Kemp Junior for Assisting with the Accessibility Fair and Accessibility Awards (Item 12.1)

WHEREAS, the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities hold an annual Accessibility Fair and Accessibility Awards which often require graphic design skills above and beyond the Committee's prerequisite skills;

WHEREAS, the Outreach Working Group has benefitted greatly from James Kemp Junior's assistance in the design, creation and vectoring of an award logo, correcting and vectoring the ACPD

logo, design of the T-Shirt as well as the guide dog sketch on the back and providing services as an event photographer;

WHEREAS, in order to do the job to the best of his abilities, James Junior learned skills he hadn't been taught and familiarized himself with the WCAG 2.2 in an effort to produce accessible product; and

WHEREAS, none of James' work can be used in his portfolio or be counted towards his Graphic Design coursework from Mohawk College.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities present to James Kemp Junior a letter expressing the Committee's appreciation of his efforts above and beyond to assist with the Ability First Accessibility Fair;
- (b) That an honorarium of \$250 be awarded to James Kemp Junior in appreciation for their assistance during the Ability First Accessibility Fair; and
- (c) That the honorarium be funded from Account #300303 and allocated to the Ability First Accessibility Fair.

(ii) Accessibility of Shelters and Supervised

Encampments in the City of Hamilton (Item 12.2)

WHEREAS, the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities' Housing Work Group has prepared a letter for the General Issues Committee with regards to the accessibility of shelters and supervised encampments in the City of Hamilton.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities respectfully submit the letter attached as Appendix "A" regarding the accessibility of shelters and supervised encampments to the General Issues Committee for their consideration.

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

There being no further business, the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James Kemp, Chair
Accessibility Committee for
Persons with Disabilities

Carrie McIntosh
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk