

Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Minutes

4:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, 2013 Room 192/193 City Hall 71 Main Street West

Present: A. Mallett (Chair),

B. Lane, T. Manzuk, T. Murphy,

R. Semkow, R. Thompson, T. Wallis, P. Killburn,

M. Smithson, B. Lane

Absent with

Regrets: Councillor B. Morelli – City Business

P. Cameron – Vacation

K. Nolan – Illness

T. Nolan (Vice-Chair), R. Cameron

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

- (i) Transportation Sub-committee Report February 26, 2013 (Item 4.1)
- (ii) Accessible Reader Demonstration (Item 5.1)
- (iii) Temporary ramps on sidewalks (Item 5.2)
- (iv) Inclusive Recreation Program Development (Item 6.2)
- (v) Draft Feasibility Report Hamilton City Hall Power Assisted Doors (Item 6.3)

(Killburn/Murphy)

That the agenda be approved as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) February 12, 2013 (Item 3.1)

(Thompson/B. Semkow)

That the Minutes of February 12, 2013 be approved.

(d) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 4)

(i) Transportation Sub-committee Report – February 26, 2013

Terri Wallis provided an update to committee members respecting the meeting of the Transportation Sub-committee. She indicated that there has been no uptake in the new Accessible taxi-cab licenses made available by the City.

(Wallis/Smithson)

That the Transportation Sub-committee Report of February 26, 2013 be received. CARRIED

(e) PRESENTATIONS (Item 5)

(i) Accessible Reader Demonstration (no copy) (Added Item 5.1)

Paula Killburn, provided a demonstration of the JAWS reader program on her laptop.

(Wallis/Smithson)

That the presentation respecting the Accessible Reader Demonstration be received.

CARRIED

(ii) Temporary ramps on sidewalks (Item 5.2)

Maxine Carter, Access & Equity Coordinator, provided an update on the Temporary ramps on sidewalks that are used when traffic or cycling measurements are going on.

(Smithson/Wallis)

That the issue of Temporary ramps on sidewalks be referred back to the built environment committee for further investigation and review of an actual ramp.

CARRIED

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 6)

(i) ATS Performance Report: Period Ending December 31, 2012 (Item 6.1)

(Wallis/Thompson)

That the ATS Performance Report: Period Ending December 31, 2012 be received.

CARRIED

(ii) Inclusive Recreation Program Development (Added Item 6.2)

Maxine Carter, Access & Equity Coordinator provided an update to Committee members and indicated that the issue would be coming forward to the April meeting. She discussed the programming and asked committee members to consider what programs may be missing.

(Thompson/Wallis)

That the item respecting the Inclusive Recreation Program Development, be received.

CARRIED

(iii) Draft Feasibility Report – Hamilton City Hall Power Assisted Doors (Added Item 6.3)

Marnie Cluckie, Manager, Strategic Planning, Capital & Compliance, Facilities provided an update to Committee respecting the City Hall Power Assisted Doors. She discussed the draft report by Invizij Architects Inc. respecting the installation of Power Assisted Doors.

(Murphy/Lane)

That the presentation respecting the Draft Feasibility Report – Hamilton City Hall Power Assisted Doors, be received.

CARRIED

(Lane/Murphy)

That the issue of Hamilton City Hall Power Assisted Doors, be referred to the Built Environment Sub-committee for consideration and comment.

CARRIED

(g) OTHER BUSINESS (Item 7)

(i) Design of Public Spaces Standards Update (Added Item 7.1)

(Manzuk/Smithson)

That the item respecting the Design of Public Spaces Standards Update, be received.

CARRIED

(ii) Public Consultation Accessibility Updates to the Ontario Building Code (Added Item 7.2)

(Manzuk/Smithson)

That the item respecting the Public Consultation Accessibility Updates to the Ontario Building Code, be received.

CARRIED

(iii) Letter by Mary Smithson respecting snow clearing (Item 7.3)

Mary Smithson outlined her concerns with private citizens not doing enough to clear their sidewalks and issues around the complaint process and follow-up for such concerns.

(Killburn/Wallis)

That the letter by Mary Smithson respecting snow clearing be received.

CARRIED

(iv) Review of Committee Outstanding Business (Item 7.4)

(Lane/Smithson)

That the update respecting the review of Outstanding Business of the Committee, be received.

CARRIED

(v) Attendance at meetings (Added Item 7.5)

Chair Mallett introduced the issue of lagging attendance at Committee meetings. There was some discussion on how to proceed and what action the Committee should take to encourage better attendance.

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 8)

(Wallis/Lane)

The Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Aznive Mallett, Chair Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

Andy Grozelle Legislative Co-ordinator