



Accessibility Advisory Committee

Minutes

Meeting #: 8
Date: Tuesday, November 21, 2023
Time: 6 pm
Location: Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation

Present: Chair Vania Karam, Ana Maria Cruz-Valderrama, Matthew Eliot, William Van Veen

Absent: Vice-Chair Holly Ellingwood, Wayne Antle, Ian Bourrie, Jodi Fisher, Adele Furrie, David Humphries, Murray MacDonald, Hannah Walhad

NOTE: *The Accessibility Advisory Committee did not have quorum, therefore Members present agreed to proceed informally with the agenda pursuant to Section 8(5) of the Advisory Committee Procedure By-law. The Members received a staff presentations and there were no proposals made during this informal meeting.*

1. Notices and meeting information for meeting participants and the public
Members of Committee and Council, City staff, media and the general public may join the meeting with this link:

[Zoom meeting no. 82423420781](#)

Notices and meeting information are attached to the agenda and minutes, including: availability of simultaneous interpretation and accessibility accommodations; personal information disclaimer for correspondents and public speakers; notices regarding minutes; and remote participation details.

Accessible formats and communication supports are available, upon request.

The deadline to register to speak, or submit written comments is 4 pm on the day of the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were filed.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 AAC Minutes 7 – October 17, 2023

Carried

4. Responses to Inquiries

4.1 Inquiry Response - Study of Sidewalk Snow Clearing Standards

5. Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department

5.1 The Ottawa Hospital to Dow's Lake LRT Station Multi-Use Connection Environmental Assessment Study

Withdrawn/Deferred

6. Transit Services Department

6.1 On-Demand Transit Demonstration Pilot Project

Emma Leroux, Project Manager, Service Planning Projects and Claire O'Donnell, Team Lead, Rapid Transit System Logistics, Transit Services Department presented and were available to answer questions from committee members.

Pat Scrimgeour, Director, Transit Customer Systems & Planning, Transit Services Department was present to answer questions.

The presentation is on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

Delegate Kyle Humphrey provided feedback on conventional card readers being unavailable on Para-Transpo and asked whether this method of payment would be forthcoming.

Report Recommendation(s)

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee receive the report for information.

Received

7. Committee Business

7.1 2024 Draft Operating and Capital Budgets - Accessibility Advisory Committee

Chair Karam spoke to the members who are to speak at Committee budget meetings. Chair Karam also provided a list of budget items affecting AAC for each individual Standing Committee.

The document provided by the Chair is on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

Delegate Kyle Humphrey spoke to issues with Para-Transpo.

Report Recommendation(s)

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee review the 2024 Budget and provide comments as appropriate.

Received

7.2 Working Groups Updates

Member Cruz-Valderrama spoke to not receiving invitations to participate in the Para-Transpo group.

Report Recommendation(s)

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee receive the updates for information.

Received

7.3 Accessibility Office Update

Megan Richards, Program Manager, Accessibility, Office of the City Clerk and Sarah Beriault, Corporate Accessibility Specialist, Office of the City Clerk presented and responded to questions from delegate and committee members.

The presentation is on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

Delegate Kyle Humphrey spoke to updates on TD Place/Lansdowne Park.

Member Cruz-Valderrama asked about an E-Scooter update. Megan Richards spoke to the E-Scooter pilot project coming to an end and a larger consultation will likely happen in 2024.

Report Recommendation(s)

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8. Information Previously Distributed
9. Motions of Which Notice has been Previously Given
10. Notices of Motions (For Consideration at Subsequent Meeting)
There were no Notices of Motion.
11. Inquiries
There were no Inquiries.
12. Other Business
There was no other business.
13. Adjournment
Next Meeting
To be determined.
The meeting adjourned at 6:49 pm.

Original signed by R. Ramos,
Committee Coordinator

Original signed by Vania Karam,
Chair