



Accessibility Advisory Committee

Minutes

Meeting #: 16
Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024
Time: 6 pm
Location: Electronic Participation

Present: Chair Vania Karam, Vice-Chair Holl Ellingwood, Ian Bourrie, Ana Maria Cruz-Valderrama, Matthew Eliot, Jodi Fisher, Adele Furrie, David Humphries, Murray MacDonald, William Van Veen, Hannah Walhad

Absent: Wayne Antle

Present non-voting member: Councillor Marty Carr

1. Notices and meeting information for meeting participants and the public
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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. Office of the City Clerk

3.1 Accessibility Plan Update

Tyler Cox, Manager of Legislative Services, Office of the City Clerk and Megan Richards, Program Manager of the Accessibility Office provided a presentation and answered questions from the Committee. As well, in attendance were Meghan Acouri Program Manager, Business Support Services, and Amanda Abou-Asaf Project & Policy Coordinator of Transit Services Department.

A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

There were two delegates from the public:

- Darryl Hackett, Director at Large, National Capital Association of the Deaf (NCAD) spoke to the Committee on various issues.
- Kyle Humphrey spoke before the Committee and provided comments on taxis and OC Transpo.

The Advisory Committee discussed and asked questions regarding the following topics:

- Safety issues with transit
- Older Adult Plan
- OC Transpo and lack of reduced fees
- Diversity within the Accessibility Communities and how equity and inclusion lenses should be used to provide a framework
- Key lessons from last COMAP consultations have demonstrated the need for more consultations with past initiatives will continue and new ones to work on in the following year

At the conclusion of discussions, the Committee received the update.

Recommendation(s)

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee receive the presentation and provide feedback as appropriate

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4. Adjournment

Next Meeting

October 15, 2024.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 am.

Original signed by R. Ramos,
Committee Coordinator

Original signed by Vania Karam,
Chair