

ACCAC - Policy Sub-Committee
Meeting Report
Monday, July 4, 2016

Present: M.Cairns, F. de Lasa, J. Sanders, and L. Firby
Start: 7:00 pm

1. Reviewed portions of the AODA requiring websites being accessible (Specifically beginning January 1, 2014: new public websites, significantly refreshed websites and any web content posted after January 1, 2012 must meet Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0 Level A, Guideline 1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded): Captions are provided for all prerecorded audio content in synchronized media, except when the media is a media alternative for text and is clearly labeled as such. (Level A)) and when the current council and committee rebroadcasts do not meet the requirements.

Proposed motion: This committee requests the City of London to:

- i. Investigate options to provide captioning to all prerecorded video content on its website noting once live video is archived it is no longer considered 'live' and thus as of January 1, 2014 has been required per AODA.**
- ii. Investigate options to provide captioning to all televised Council sessions, in accordance with CRTC regulations for broadcast captioning effective Sept 1, 2012.**
- iii. Investigate options to provide captioning at a standard higher than that available through current automated software for live web broadcasts or streaming.**
- iv. Note other communities across Southern Ontario are implementing or enhancing existing captioning options. Also at least one community in Ontario has been subject to a lawsuit over failure to provide captioning on televised council broadcasts.**
- v. Report back to ACCAC on options available and intended courses of action**

2. Reviewed 2016 work plan that asks policy committee to review accident data/ prevention strategies. Accidents are a leading cause of preventable acquired disability. May require consultation with other Advisory Committees (Transportations Advisory Committee, Cycling) and requests for information and data from city partners (e.g. MLHU).

Proposed motion: Request delegate from the city of London to present to ACCAC on how they work with the police department regarding high risk traffic areas with a goal for ACCAC to better understand existing practices and data, and how that information may be used to help prevent accidents, injuries and acquired disabilities within the city of London.

3. Request for Minister Tracey MacCharles (provincial minister responsible for accessibility) to attend a future ACCAC meeting.

Proposed motion: To extend delegate status to Minister MacCharles, Minister responsible for Accessibility at a future ACCAC meeting for the purpose of better understanding the Provinces new vision for Accessibility and how London can best align its practices going forward.

Adjournment: 7:45 pm

Next meeting Tuesday August 2, 2016, 7:00 at South London Community Centre