

**1ST REPORT OF THE**  
**ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting held on January 26, 2017, commencing at 3:00 PM, in Committee Room #4, Second Floor, London City Hall.

**PRESENT:** M. Dawthorne (Chair), M. Cairns, F. de Lasa, A. Forrest, J. Madden, J. Sanders and J. Bunn (Secretary).

**ABSENT:** J. Bell, J. Ehiwario, L. Firby and J. Menard.

**ALSO PRESENT:** C. Childs, C. Da Silva, K. Husain and K. Walsh.

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

**II. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**

2. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for Term Ending November 30, 2017

That it BE NOTED that the Accessibility Advisory Committee elected M. Dawthorne and J. Madden as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, for the term ending November 30, 2017.

**III. SCHEDULED ITEMS**

**IV. SUB-COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS**

3. Built Environment and Facilities Sub-Committee

The following actions be taken with respect to the Built Environment and Facilities Sub-Committee reports from the meetings held on December 12, 2016 and January 9, 2017:

- a) prior to the development of a newly constructed or renovated Community Garden Project, Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to provide the Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACCAC) with a proposed site plan for review and an opportunity for comments related to design considerations for accessibility;
- b) a member of ACCAC BE REQUESTED to attend the upcoming Urban Agriculture Planning Meeting to be held on February 4, 2017; it being noted that if a member of ACCAC is not able to attend, a member of the Urban Agriculture Planning Meeting will come to the February

ACCAC meeting to give an update;

- c) the Urban Agriculture Team BE REVISED to include ACCAC as a Council Committee “stakeholder” that supports an Urban Agriculture Strategy that recognizes accessibility and provides inclusive design considerations for our community; and,
- d) prior to the development of a newly constructed Urban Agriculture project location, the ACCAC BE PROVIDED with a proposed site plan for review and opportunity for comments related to design considerations for accessibility.

4. Mental Health Working Group

That it BE NOTED that the Mental Health Working Group report from its meeting held on January 9, 2017, was received.

5. Policy Sub-Committee

That it BE NOTED that the Policy Sub-Committee report from its meeting held on December 5, 2016, was received.

**V. CONSENT ITEMS**

6. 11th Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

That it BE NOTED that the 11th Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee from its meeting held on November 24, 2016, was received.

7. Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held December 19, 2016 with respect to the 11th Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

That it BE NOTED that the Municipal Council resolution from its meeting held on December 19, 2016 with respect to the 11th Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee, was received.

8. News Release - Ontario Helping Protect People with Developmental Disabilities

That the news release from Dr. H. Jaczek, Ministry of Community and Social Services, dated November 16, 2016, related to Ontario Helping Protect People with Developmental Disabilities, was received.

9. Accessible City Council and Committee Meetings

That it BE NOTED that the Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACCAC) held a general discussion with respect to the accessibility of City Council and Committee Meetings; it being

noted that the ACCAC received a communication from K. Husain and B. Ryan related to this matter.

## **VI. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

### 10. City of London Multi-Year Accessibility Plan - Annual Status Update 2015

That it BE NOTED that the Draft City of London Multi-Year Accessibility Plan - Annual Status Update 2015, was received.

### 11. Sub-Committee Calendar

That it BE NOTED that the Accessibility Advisory Committee discussed the attached Sub-Committee Calendar.

### 12. Accessibility Advisory Committee Work Plan - 2016

That the attached 2016 Work Plan for the Accessibility Advisory Committee BE FORWARDED to the Municipal Council for their information.

### 13. Accessibility Advisory Committee Work Plan - 2017

That the 2017 Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACCAC) Work Plan BE DEFERRED to the February meeting of the ACCAC, pending the completion of the City of London Multi-Year Accessibility Plan; it being noted that the committee held a general discussion related to this matter.

## **VII. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

### 14. Alternate Formats for Council and Standing Committee Agendas to Support Greater Participation in Local Government

That Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to work with the Policy Sub-Committee with respect to alternate formats for Council and Standing Committee agendas to support greater participation in local government; it being noted that the Accessibility Advisory Committee received the Municipal Council resolution from its meeting held on December 19, 2016 with respect to this, and related, matters.

### 15. (ADDED) Delegation Enquiry Regarding Assistive Technologies

That it BE NOTED that C. Da Silva, Specialist, Municipal Policy (AODA), requested a delegation at a future meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee with respect to assistive technologies; it being noted that C. Da Silva will report back at a future meeting with more information.

16. (ADDED) Community Diversity and Inclusion Strategy

That the following actions be taken with respect to the Community Diversity and Inclusion Strategy:

- a) Kate Graham, Director, Community and Economic Innovation, BE INVITED to the February meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACCAC) to give an update on the status of the Community Diversity and Inclusion Strategy development; and,
- b) the draft Community Diversity and Inclusion Strategy BE PROVIDED to the ACCAC for review prior to the March, 2017 meeting of the committee in order to provide comments.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:47 PM.

NEXT MEETING DATE: February 23, 2017