

Accessibility Advisory Committee

Report

The 1st Meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee
January 28, 2021
Advisory Committee Virtual Meeting - during the COVID-19 Emergency

Attendance PRESENT: J. Menard (Chair), M. Bush, T. Eadinger, A. McGaw, P. Moore, P. Quesnel, D. Ruston and K. Steinmann and J. Bunn (Committee Clerk)

ALSO PRESENT: L. Livingstone; D. Baxter, U. DeCandido, A. Husain, H. Lysynski, C. Saunders, K. Scherr, M. Schulthess, M. Stone and B. Westlake-Power

ABSENT: N. Judges

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 PM; it being noted that the following Members were in remote attendance: M. Bush, T. Eadinger, A. McGaw, J. Menard, P. Moore, P. Quesnel, D. Ruston and K. Steinmann

1. Call to Order

1.1 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

1.2 Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for the remainder of the current term

That it BE NOTED that the Accessibility Advisory Committee elected J. Menard and P. Moore as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, until the end of the current term.

2. Scheduled Items

None.

3. Consent

3.1 3rd Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

That it BE NOTED that the 3rd Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee, from its meeting held on November 26, 2020, was received.

3.2 Municipal Council Resolution - 3rd Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

That it BE NOTED that the Municipal Council resolution, from its meeting held on January 12, 2021, with respect to the 3rd Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee, was received.

3.3 2021 Neighbourhood Street Reconstruction Projects - Complete Streets Sidewalk Assessments

That the following actions be taken with respect to the Memo dated January 20, 2021, from the Director, Roads and Transportation, related to the 2021 Neighbourhood Street Reconstruction Projects - Complete Streets Sidewalk Assessments:

a) the Civic Administration BE ADVISED that the Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACCAC) supports the inclusion of sidewalks on both sides of the streets listed within the above-noted Memo except in circumstances that warrant sidewalks on only one side of the street; and,

b) the Civic Administration BE ADVISED that the only instances that call for zero sidewalks on a street should be situations where the circumstances are insurmountable for the installation of sidewalks and, in those cases, the ACCAC should be consulted;

it being noted that the above-noted Memo was received.

3.4 (ADDED) Community Diversity and Inclusion Strategy: Priority 4 - Meeting Minutes and Work Plan

That it BE NOTED that the Community, Diversity and Inclusion Strategy: Priority 4 meeting minutes, from the meeting held on November 23, 2020, as appended to the agenda, were received.

4. Sub-Committees and Working Groups

None.

5. Items for Discussion

5.1 Respectful Workplace Policy

That it BE NOTED that the Respectful Workplace Policy document, as appended to the agenda, was received.

5.2 ACCAC Terms of Reference

That the following actions be taken with respect to the Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACCAC) Terms of Reference:

a) the above-noted Terms of Reference, as appended to the agenda, BE RECEIVED; and,

b) the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to consider adding additional provisions concerning ableism when drafting the updated ACCAC Terms of Reference document.

5.3 Advisory Committee Review

That it BE NOTED that a verbal update from C. Saunders, City Clerk, with respect to the ongoing Advisory Committee Review, was received.

5.4 Service Area Work Plan for 2021

That it BE NOTED that a verbal update from L. Livingstone, City Manager, with respect to the Service Area Work Plan for 2021, was received.

5.5 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan - Outreach & Research Project

That it BE NOTED that a verbal update from M. Stone, Accessibility Specialist, with respect to the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan - Outreach and Research Project, was received.

5.6 Representative of the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the Community Diversity and Inclusion Strategy (CDIS) Leadership Table

That Jay Menard BE APPOINTED as the Accessibility Advisory Committee representative to the Community Diversity and Inclusion Strategy (CDIS) Leadership Table.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:38 PM.