Minutes



Accessibility Advisory Committee

Date: November 8, 2021

Time: 2:00 PM

Location: Online Video Conference

Members Councillor Matt Mahoney Ward 8

Councillor Pat Saito Ward 9

Naz Husain
Carol-Ann Chafe
Citizen Member (Chair)
Citizen Member (Vice-Chair)
Citizen Member (Vice-Chair)

Amanda Ramkishun Citizen Member Clement Lowe Citizen Member Citizen Member Mary Daniel Steven Viera Citizen Member Teneshia Samuel Citizen Member Alfie Smith Stakeholder Member Anita Binder Stakeholder Member Stakeholder Member Sally Wall

Staff Present

Dan Sadler, Manager, Supervisor Accessibility
Janette Campbell, Accessibility Specialist
Taghreed Alz, Accessibility Specialist
Erica Warsh, Project Leader, Vision Zero
Nicole Carey, Manager Community Programs
Jordan Hartley, Recreation Programmer Inclusion
Mukesh Jain, Project Leader Senior Capital Projects
Deepa Suresh, Senior Project Manager
Martha Cameron, Legislative Coordinator
Dayna Obaseki, Legislative Coordinator

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - 2:00 P.M.

Chair, requested everyone present at the meeting introduce themselves.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Carol-Ann Chafe, Vice-Chair requested two items be added to Other Business.

Approved, as amended (N. Husain)

3. <u>DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u> - Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 <u>Draft Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes - September 20, 2021</u>

Approved, as amended (C. Chafe)

5. <u>DEPUTATIONS</u>

5.1 <u>Vision Zero Action Plan</u>

• Erica Warsh, Vision Zero Project Leader

Erica Warsh, Vision Zero Project Leader presented the Vision Zero Action Plan to Committee Members.

Committee Members expressed concern regarding the safety of individuals with disabilities when crossing intersections. Erica Warsh advised the Committee that the Action Plan would address right turns by vehicles on red lights, undertake turn calming programs and look at technology with respect to pedestrian crossing signals.

Councillor Saito advised Committee Members that the Road Safety Committee has conducted in-depth conversations regarding pedestrian safety. Councillor Saito suggested Committee Members attend a Road Safety Committee meeting and provide a list of concerns they would like to hear addressed.

Carol-Ann Chafe, Vice Chair informed Committee Members of various apps available such as The Button – Welcome App that is implemented in store fronts and would provide Martha Cameron, Legislative Coordinator with links to the apps.

DIRECTION TO STAFF: Martha Cameron, Legislative Coordinator to provide links to Members of the Committee.

RECOMMENDATION AAC-0026-2021

Moved by C. Chafe

That the deputation by Erica Warsh, Vision Zero Leader to present on Vision Zero Action Plan, be received.

Received

5.2 Parasport Games

 Nicole Carey, Manager, Community Programs and Jordan Hartley, Recreation Programmer Inclusion

Nicole Carey, Manager, Community Programs and Jordan Hartley, Recreation Programmer Inclusion presented on the Parasport Games and advised the Committee that the City is hosting both the Parasport and Summer Games in 2022. Committee Members are encouraged to go to www.osgmississauga.ca for further information.

Councillor Mahoney asked that an update be provided to the Committee in January or February 2022.

Naz Husain, Chair thanked the Councillors for their support and inquired if there would be a handbook on how to create accessible sport venues. Nicole Carey advised the Committee that accessible programming is being looked at to increase awareness.

DIRECTION TO STAFF: Link for volunteering to be provided to Martha Cameron, Legislative Coordinator to send to the Committee Members.

RECOMMENDATION AAC-0027-2021

Moved by T. Samuel

That the deputation by Nicole Carey, Manager Community Programs and Jordan Hartley, Recreation Programmer Inclusion to present on the Parasport Games, be received.

Received

5.3 Elevator Renewal Project

- Mukesh Jain, Project Leader Senior Capital Projects
- Deepa Suresh, Senior Project Manager and Davis Falsarella, Senior Project Manager Capital Design and Construction

Mukesh Jain presented to the Committee the elevator renewal project.

Committee Members raised concerns with respect accessibility in regard to the elevator renewal project as follows:

- Touchless panels
- Audible announcement of floors
- The need for audible and push button to accommodate individuals who are hearing impaired
- Language barriers to the announcement of floors
- Colour contrasting

Mr. Jain advised the Committee that staff will investigate these concerns and technology regarding audible announcements.

Dan Sadler, Supervisor, Accessibility advised the Committee that colour contrasting is a requirement in accordance with the Facility Accessibility Design Guidelines and should become a standard.

DIRECTION TO STAFF: To discuss accessibility features such as colour contrast, clear path, font, font style in the FADS Subcommittee.

RECOMMENDATION AAC-0028-2021

Moved by Councillor M. Mahoney

That the presentation by Mukesh Jain, Project Leader Senior Capital Projects and Deepa Suresh, Senior Project Manager to present on the Elevator Renewal Project be received.

Received

6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - 15 Minute Limit

No questions were registered by the public.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

8. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

8.1 Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Update

Accessibility Staff will provide a brief verbal update with respect to the *Accessibility For Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (AODA).

Dan Sadler, Supervisor, Accessibility provided an update to the Committee on the Compliance Report and advised that the City did not meet AODA requirement with respect to accessible web content due to PDFs that are not accessible. Mr. Sadler advised the Committee that the requirement is to make all PDFs from 2014 onwards accessible. Mr. Sadler further advised the Committee that the City website did meet the compliance requirements.

Staff will present in 2022 to the Committee on its progress with accessible PDFs.

RECOMMENDATION AAC-0029-2021

Moved by N. Husain

That the verbal update provided by Dan Sadler, Supervisor Accessibility with respect to the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (AODA) be received.

Received

8.2 Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee Update

Councillor Mahoney, Naz Husain and/or Carol-Ann Chafe, Citizen Members and Members of the Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee will provide a brief verbal update.

Naz Husain, Chair advised the Committee that TransHelp rides can now be booked online and that an update will be provided to the Committee after the Region of Peel meeting the week of November 18th.

DIRECTION TO STAFF: That staff obtain a report from the Region of Peel on Transhelp and add it as an update agenda item.

RECOMMENDATION AAC-0030-2021

Moved by A. Smith

That the verbal update regarding the Region of Peel's Accessibility Advisory Committee provided by Naz Husain, Chair and Carol-Ann Chafe, Vice-Chair and Member of the ROP AAC be received.

Received

8.3 Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) Work Plan

Dan Sadler, Supervisor Accessibility advised the Committee that there are no changes to the Work Plan. Mr. Sadler informed the Committee that in 2022 there will be three Accessibility Advisory Committee meetings due to the election with three to four deputations per meeting. Mr. Sadler advised Committee Members if they want an item to come forward to let him know.

Committee Members discussed working with the Region on concerns regarding accessibility for housing and a group submission to the Province outlining their concerns.

Carol-Ann Chafe, Vice-Chair advised the Committee Members to look at joining the Peel Poverty Reduction Strategy and Peel Alliance to End Homelessness to provide a stronger voice on housing.

RECOMMENDATION AAC-0031-2021

Moved by A. Smith

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee Work Plan presented at the November 8, 2021 Accessibility Advisory Committee by Dan Sadler, Supervisor Accessibility, be received.

Received

9. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

9.1 Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee Report

No minutes were taken as this was a facilitated working group to review the Design Guidelines.

Dan Sadler, Supervisor, Accessibility informed the Committee that the past two FADS subcommittee meetings were used by members as a working group to review the Facility Accessibility Design Guidelines which came into existence in 2015. A final version will be brought to the Committee once the review is completed.

10. <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

10.1 <u>Accessibility Advisory Committee and Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee 2022</u> <u>Meeting Schedule</u>

RECOMMENDATION AAC-0032-2021

Moved by Councillor P. Saito

That the Memorandum from Martha Cameron, Legislative Coordinator entitled "Accessibility Advisory Committee and Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee 2022 Meeting Schedule" dated November 9, 2021, be received.

Received

- 10.2 <u>Appointment of New Members to the Facility Accessibility Design Standards Subcommittee</u> of the AAC
 - Martha Cameron, Legislative Coordinator to provide a verbal update

A verbal update was provided to the Committee by Martha Cameron, Legislative Coordinator.

RECOMMENDATION AAC-0033-2021

Moved by A. Zaidi

That the verbal update provided by Martha Cameron, Legislative Coordinator advising the Committee that Amanda Ramkishun, Teneshia Samuel and Mary Daniel be appointed as Citizen Members to the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee for the term ending November 14, 2022 or until a successor is appointed, be received.

Received

11. OTHER BUSINESS

Carol Ann Chafe, Vice-Chair shared with Committee Members the goal of Makers Making Change to break a guiness world record of the most people in one day learning about assisted technology and encouraged everyone to participate. This event will occur on December 3, 2021 and the link would be provided to the Committee.

DIRECTION TO STAFF: Carol Ann Chafe, Vice-Chair to provide Martha Cameron, Legislative Coordinator with links to the organization.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

FADS - FACILITY ACCESSIBILITY DESIGN SUBCOMMITTEE

Monday, December 6, 2021 at 1:30pm Online Virtual Conference

AAC - ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Monday, January 17, 2022 at 2pm Online Virtual Conference

13. ADJOURNMENT – 3:30 P.M.

(C Chafe)

