

Advisory Committee on Accessibility

October 21, 2015

Ontario Room

3:30 PM – 5:30 PM

Committee Members Present: Councillor Karen Rea, Kristen Hayes, Co-Chair, Brendan Faulkner, Co-Chair, Arlene Juanillo, Brian Lynch, Keith Irish, Jaqueline Bell, and Robert Hunn

Staff Present:

Cheryl McConney-Wilson, Senior Diversity Coordinator, and Laura Gold, Council/Committee Coordinator

Regrets: Mona Nazif, Senior Manager of Human Resources and Client Service, Regional Councillor Nirmala Armstrong, Catherine Hughes, and Tammy Mok

Item	Discussion	Action
1. Call to Order	The Advisory Committee on Accessibility convened at 4:05 p.m. with Kristen Hayes presiding as Chair.	
2. Approval of the Minutes	Moved by Brian Lynch Seconded by Arlene Juanillo That the September 16, 2015 Advisory Committee on Accessibility Minutes be approved as presented. CARRIED	
3. Accessible Parking Spots on Main Street	Max Stanford was in attendance to speak about the re-allocation of the accessible parking spots located in front of the Pan Am Centre. The spots were being re-allocated due to a change in the fire route to the facility. Visuals displaying the	

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Unionville	proposed change were presented to the Committee. Moved by Arlene Juanillo Seconded by Brendan Faulkner That the Advisory Committee on Accessibility approve the re-allocation of the accessible parking spaces in front of the Pan Am Building. Carried	
4. Accessibility Fair	The Committee discussed the logistics of the Accessibility Fair being held on October 24, 2015, at the Pan Am Centre. Committee Members were encouraged to volunteer at the fair. A call for volunteer will also be sent out to residents that frequently volunteer with the City.	
5. Accessibility Board of Trade Award	The Committee discussed the Accessibility Board of Trade Award. It requested that the criteria currently being used to select the winner be circulated to the Committee for it to review. The biggest challenge to date has been with obtaining nominations. Also, larger companies have denied being nominated, as the nomination would need to go through its corporate headquarters. The Committee suggested the following: • Review current award criteria and the overall process • Consider having Igor from the Board of Trade Board sit on the Committee • Review the nomination form	

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	• See if there is an opportunity to have a Member from the Committee participate in the deliberations • Look into how nominations are currently being promoted by the City and the Board of Trade to see if there are opportunities to improve The Committee requested that Accessibility Board of Trade Award be added to the next Agenda.	Add the Accessibility Board of Trade Award to the next agenda - Laura
New Business	<u>Recruitment</u> The Committee agreed to send out the recruitment notice for the Advisory Committee on Accessibility to their contacts within disability related organizations. They also suggested sending the notice to critical disability faculties. The vacancies will also be promoted at the Accessibility Fair. <u>York Region</u> Bryan Lynch report that York Region is currently testing a new app called York Region maps, which helps residents get around York Region. <u>Richmond Hill Bus Terminal</u> York Region recently opened new accessible washrooms at its bus terminal in Richmond Hill. The bus terminal is also a drop-off and pick-up location for Mobility Plus. <u>Diversity Training</u> The Committee agreed to start the November meeting at 3:30 pm so it can do its	

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	diversity training.	
Next Meeting	The next meeting of the Advisory Committee on Accessibility will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2015.	
Adjournment	The Advisory Committee on Accessibility adjourned at 5:25 p.m.	

Advisory Committee on Accessibility Action Items

No.	Action Item	Responsibility of Staff/Committee Member	Completion Date	Status
1.	Invite organizations representing different types of disabilities to present at future Advisory Committee on Accessibility Meetings	Senior Diversity Coordinator	On going	
2.	Include in the Site Plan for the gas station at Major Mackenzie and Don Cousens how it will provide accessible service.	David Miller	Fall 2015	
3.	Look into why an accessible parking spot was placed in front of the Church on Main Street Markham.	Cheryl McConney-Wilson, and Sally Campbell	Fall 2015	
4.	Look into providing a warning for first offences with respect to the expiry date of the accessible parking permit not being visible.	Christopher Alexander	Fall 2015	
5.	Add the Accessibility Fair to the next agenda.	Laura Gold	November 18, 2015	