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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Monday, September 24, 2018

A meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee was held on Monday, September 24, 2018 in the Lower Level Boardroom (LL-C), Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 4 PM.

Present: D. Campbell, Whitby
Councillor J. Drumm
K. Galloway, Oshawa
D. Hume-McKenna, DMHS
A. O'Bumsawin, Clarington
M. Roche, Oshawa
S. Sones, Whitby, Vice-Chair
M. Sutherland, Oshawa, Chair

Absent: R. Atkinson, Whitby
S. Barrie, Clarington
C. Boose, Ajax

Staff

Present: J. Traer, Accessibility Coordinator, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer
N. Prasad, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

1. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Drumm made a declaration of interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* with respect to any items pertaining to Durham Region Transit. He indicated that his son is employed by Durham Region Transit.

2. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by A. O'Bumsawin, Seconded by S. Sones,
That the minutes of the June 26, 2018 Accessibility Advisory
Committee meeting be adopted.
CARRIED

3. Introduction of New Members

M. Sutherland welcomed K. Galloway and D. Hume to the Committee. K. Galloway and D. Hume as well as all other members in attendance provided an overview of their background.

4. Presentations

A) Accessibility Advisory Committee Award

The Committee presented Councillor Drumm with an Accessibility Advisory Award and thanked him for his dedicated service and support on the AAC since its inception 14 years ago.

5. Correspondence

There were no items of correspondence to consider.

6. Information Items

A) Education Sub-Committee Update

J. Traer stated that as the membership to the Accessibility Advisory Committee corresponds with the term of Regional Council, she will be reaching out to members within the next few months to inquire whether they are interested in remaining for an additional term.

J. Traer advised that there will be a presentation from the Durham Regional Police Service's Mental Health Support Unit at the October meeting.

B) Update on the Transit Advisory Committee (TAC)

M. Sutherland advised that there was no update to provide as the September 18, 2018 TAC meeting was cancelled.

C) Update from the Accessibility Coordinator

J. Traer stated that the following three Commissioners Reports were adopted at the September Regional Council meeting:

- Appointment of new members to the Durham Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) (2018-COW-161);
- The Regional Municipality of Durham's 2017 Accessibility Report (2018-COW-162); and
- Amendment to the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) Terms of Reference (2018-COW-163)

J. Traer confirmed that as of 2019, the AAC meetings will be held in January, March, May, June, September and November. She inquired whether the Committee was interested in proceeding with the October and November 2018 meetings seeing that it is an election year. Discussion ensued with regards to the importance of receiving presentations at the meetings and being able to share comments and feedback.

Moved by M. Roche, Seconded by Councillor Drumm,
That the Accessibility Advisory Committee proceed with the October 23, 2018 meeting and decide at that time whether it will proceed with the November 27, 2018 meeting.
CARRIED

J. Traer advised that the Durham Smart Cities Forum is being held on September 29, 2018 from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM at the University of Ontario Institute of Technology. She stated that registration can be done through the Region's website.

J. Traer also reminded the committee that there is an online opportunity to provide feedback on the Third Review of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). She advised that the deadline for submissions has been extended to November 2, 2018.

7. Discussion Items

There were no Discussion Items to consider.

8. Reports

There were no Reports to consider.

9. Other Business

A) Resignation of AAC Member

A. O'Bumsawin advised that he will be resigning from the Committee. The Committee thanked him for his work and time on the Committee and wished him well on his new adventures.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 in Meeting Room 1-A, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, at 1:00 PM.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Drumm, Seconded by A. O'Bumsawin,
That the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 4:58 PM

M. Sutherland, Chair
Accessibility Advisory Committee

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk