

Town of Aurora Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2017

Time and Location: 4 p.m., Leksand Room, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: Tyler Barker (Chair), John Lenchak (Vice Chair), Gordon

Barnes, James Hoyes, Jo-anne Spitzer, and Councillor Sandra

Humfryes

Member(s) Absent: None

Other Attendees: Chris Catania, Accessibility Advisor, and Linda Bottos, Council/

Committee Secretary

The Vice Chair, acting as Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by James Hoyes Seconded by Jo-anne Spitzer

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, with the following additions, be approved:

- Item 2 Memorandum from Planner, Re: Site Plan Application (Submission #3), Joe Cara, 15132 and 15136 Yonge Street, Part of Lots 4 and 5, Registered Plan 9, File No. SP-2013-05
- Item 3 Memorandum from Accessibility Advisor, Re: Canadian Institute of Transportation Engineers (CITE) Canadian Accessibility Guidelines Survey

Carried

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

3. Receipt of the Minutes

Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2016

Moved by James Hoyes Seconded by Gordon Barnes

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes of December 1, 2016, be received for information.

Carried

4. Delegations

None

5. Matters for Consideration

1. Memorandum from Planner

Re: Application for Site Plan, Metropolitan Square Inc., 180, 190 and 220 Wellington Street East, Part of Lot 106, Registered Plan 246, Lot 81, Con. 1, EYS, Related File Numbers: OPA-2015-05 and ZBA-2015-15, File Number: SP-2016-10

Staff provided background and an overview of the Application, and the Committee reviewed drawings and discussed various aspects of the Site Plan.

Moved by James Hoyes Seconded by Tyler Barker

1. That the memorandum regarding Application for Site Plan, Metropolitan Square Inc., 180, 190 and 220 Wellington Street East, Part of Lot 106,

Registered Plan 246, Lot 81, Con. 1, EYS, Related File Numbers: OPA-2015-05 and ZBA-2015-15, File Number: SP-2016-10, be received; and

- 2. That the following Accessibility Advisory Committee comments regarding the Site Plan be considered by staff:
 - (a) Request to ensure barrier-free access in the turning circle with two accessible parking spaces; and
 - (b) Request to ensure the proper location of accessible visitor parking spaces; and
 - (c) Request to install accessible doors at all access points to the building; and
 - (d) Request to ensure straight-line (centre) access to elevators; and
 - (e) Request for provisions for accessible units.

Carried

2. Memorandum from Planner

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Moved by Councillor Humfryes Seconded by James Hoyes

- That the memorandum regarding Site Plan Application (Submission #3), Joe Cara, 15132 and 15136 Yonge Street, Part of Lots 4 and 5, Registered Plan 9, File No. SP-2013-05, be received; and
- 2. That the following Accessibility Advisory Committee comments regarding the Site Plan be considered by staff:

- (a) Request to builder to consider providing accessible living units on the ground level; and
- (b) Request to ensure that all public and basement-level washrooms are accessible.

Carried

3. Memorandum from Accessibility Advisor

Re: Canadian Institute of Transportation Engineers (CITE), Canadian Accessibility Guidelines Survey

Staff provided an overview of the memorandum and encouraged Committee members to participate in the Survey and provide feedback through the link provided at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8FB8FKN.

Moved by Jo-anne Spitzer Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

 That the memorandum regarding Canadian Institute of Transportation Engineers (CITE), Canadian Accessibility Guidelines Survey, be received for information.

Carried

6. Informational Items

None

7. New Business

Councillor Humfryes noted that the Trails and Active Transportation Committee is organizing a Bike Aurora Day event to take place in the spring of 2017, and a representative would be delegating at a future Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting.

Staff noted that Sport Aurora is holding a meeting from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, February 23, 2017, in the Leksand Room at Town Hall, regarding the Sport Plan and supporting persons with a disability.

Tyler Barker advised that the Government of Canada's final in-person consultation session regarding new planned accessibility legislation is being held from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 8, 2017, in the Churchill Ballroom at the Chelsea Hotel Toronto, and the online public survey will continue until February 28, 2017. Staff agreed to forward the website link to Committee members to access further information at https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/disability/consultations/accessibility-legislation.html.

James Hoyes noted the audio-visual upgrades that have been implemented in Council Chambers to facilitate General Committee and Council meetings and improve accessibility.

Staff advised that a new hotel in Aurora is being considered, and the Accessibility Advisory Committee would have an opportunity to provide comment.

Committee members discussed the recent Council motion regarding snow removal service levels, and raised issues respecting the timing of snow removal and snow being ploughed into handicapped spaces in commercial/retail parking lots.

8. Adjournment

Moved by Tyler Barker Seconded by Gordon Barnes

That the meeting be adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

Carried

Committee recommendations are not binding on the Town unless adopted by Council at a later meeting.