

Town of Aurora Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, April 3, 2019

Time and Location: 7 p.m., Holland Room, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: John Lenchak (Chair), Hailey Reiss (Vice Chair), Matthew

Abas, Gordon Barnes, Max Le Moine, Jo-anne Spitzer, and

Councillor Rachel Gilliland

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: Ivy Henriksen, Manager of Customer Service, Mat Zawada,

Accessibility Advisor, and Nicole Trudeau, Committee

Coordinator

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Gordon Barnes
Seconded by Jo-anne Spitzer

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

 Item 5 – Memorandum from Accessibility Advisor; Re: Accessible Trailer Application

Carried

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

3. Receipt of the Minutes

Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2019

Moved by Councillor Gilliland Seconded by Max Le Moine

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes of March 6, 2019, be received for information.

Carried

4. Delegations

None

5. Matters for Consideration

1. Memorandum from Accessibility Advisor
Re: Town of Aurora Accessibility Plan 2018 to 2024

Staff provided an overview of the contents in the Town of Aurora Accessibility Plan 2018 to 2024 including Appendix "A" – Completed Items, Appendix "B" – Recommended Accessibility Items 2018-2024 and Appendix "C" – Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation (IASR) Implementation Plan 2018-2024.

The Committee requested that the Town of Aurora Accessibility Plan 2018 to 2024 be a standing item on the Accessibility Advisory Committee agenda for continued discussion, including recommended accessibility items.

Moved by Max Le Moine Seconded by Jo-anne Spitzer

- 1. That the memorandum regarding Town of Aurora Accessibility Plan 2018 to 2024 be received; and
- That the following Accessibility Advisory Committee comments regarding the Town of Aurora Accessibility Plan 2018 to 2024 be considered by staff:

(a) That the Town of Aurora Accessibility Plan 2018 to 2024 be a standing item on the Accessibility Advisory Committee agenda, beginning with the next Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting on May 8, 2019.

Carried

6. Informational Items

2. Memorandum from Max Le Moine, Accessibility Advisory Committee Member

Re: National AccessAbility Week Proposal

Mr. Le Moine presented an overview of the National AccessAbility Week Proposal including official dates, celebration dates, event calendar, internal (Aurora Public Library and Town staff) and external (school boards and community organizations) involvement, and next steps.

The Committee discussed the activities taking place during National AccessAbility Week, being recognized from May 26 to June 1, 2019, including an information fair (Stronach Aurora Recreation Centre), historical displays (Town Hall), lunch and learn (Council Chambers), open house (Stronach Aurora Recreation Centre), and book displays (Aurora Public Library), along with suggestions for additional participation and community involvement.

Moved by Gordon Barnes Seconded by Matthew Abas

1. That the memorandum and presentation regarding National AccessAbility Week Proposal be received for information.

Carried

3. Memorandum from Accessibility Advisor Re: Wildlife Park Trail

Staff provided an overview of the design and technical requirements of the Wildlife Park Trail, to address comments made by the Committee at the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting on March 6, 2019, including rest areas, natural features of the area and an accessible exterior path of travel (entrances, ramps and handrails).

The Committee discussed the location and design of rest areas, along with an opportunity for the Committee to provide comments on the location and placement of rest areas at a future Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting.

Moved by Gordon Barnes Seconded by Max Le Moine

1. That the memorandum regarding Wildlife Park Trail be received for information.

Carried

4. Memorandum from Accessibility Advisor Re: 2019 Community Recognition Awards

Staff provided an overview of the 2019 Community Recognition Awards including award categories and criteria, as Committee members were encouraged to participate and nominate individuals, groups or businesses for an award, including the Inclusivity Award.

The Committee was also encouraged to visit **www.aurora.ca/cra** before the nomination deadline on Friday, April 5, 2019, for more information including a full list of award categories and to download a nomination form.

Moved by Matthew Abas Seconded by Gordon Barnes

- 1. That the memorandum regarding 2019 Community Recognition Awards be received; and
- 2. That the Accessibility Advisory Committee members be encouraged to submit nominations for the 2019 Community Recognition Awards.

Carried

5. Memorandum from Accessibility Advisor Re: Accessible Trailer Application

Staff provided an overview of the Accessible Trailer Application from the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville including availability for outdoor events (May to October), expectations of Whitchurch-Stouffville staff and renters

(municipalities and school boards), and the increased rental price per day, plus damage deposit.

The Committee discussed the financial contributions made to Whitchurch-Stouffville to fund the accessible trailer, including the donation from the Town of Aurora, along with suggestions to give or exchange information with other municipalities to assess the need, identify barriers and issues of concern.

Moved by Max Le Moine Seconded by Hailey Reiss

1. That the memorandum regarding Accessible Trailer Application be received for information.

Carried

7. Adjournment

Moved by Matthew Abas Seconded by Jo-anne Spitzer

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Carried