
Accessibility Advisory Committee

Date

2017/04/10

Time

2:00 PM

Location

Civic Centre, Committee Room A - Second Floor,
300 Civic Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1 Ontario

Members

Councillor Matt Mahoney, Ward 8
Councillor Pat Saito, Ward 9
Carol-Ann Chafe, Citizen Member (Chair)
Melanie Taddeo, Citizen Member (Vice-Chair)
Naz Husain, Citizen Member
Rabia Khedr, Citizen Member
Clement Lowe, Citizen Member
Mashkoor Sherwani, Citizen Member
Asim Zaidi, Citizen Member
Mandi Buckner, Stakeholder Member
Alfie Smith, Stakeholder Member
Sally Wall, Stakeholder Member

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Accessibility Advisory Committee Staff Working Group

Daryl Bell, Manager, Mobile Licensing Enforcement

Lisa Boyce-Gonsalves, Community Development – Inclusion and Accessibility

Darren Cooper, Accessibility Specialist

Lawrence Franklin, Urban Designer, Development & Design Division

Ben Gomberg, Manager, Active Transportation

Vedad Hasanovic, Project Manager, Facilities & Property Management

Mojan Jianfar, Assistant Planner, Culture and Heritage Development

Virginia Kalapaca, Project Manager, Park Development

Lydia Kowalyk, Manager, Internal Services, Revenue & Materiel Management

Diana Krawczyk, Manager, Readers' Den, Library

Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

Nigel Roberts, IT Manager, Digital Services & Mobility

Pamela Shanks, Corporate Policies Analyst

Diana Simpson, Supervisor, Accessibility Planning

Lorena Smith, Older Adult Coordinator

Jo-Ann Sutherland, Human Resources Consultant

Stefan Szczepanski, Manager, Park Development

Cynthia Ulba, Senior Communications Advisor

Alana Tyers, Team Leader, Transit Planning

Marie-France Chartrand, Legal Counsel

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

4.1. Minutes of the February 6, 2017 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting

5. **DEPUTATIONS**

5.1. Pauline Craig, Cycling Master Plan Coordinator, with respect to Cycling Master Plan

5.2. Andrew Miller, Strategic Leader, Planning and Building, with respect to Dundas Connects

6. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

(Accessibility Advisory Committee may grant permission to a person who is present at Accessibility Advisory Committee and wishes to address a matter on the Agenda. Persons addressing the Committee will ask their questions within a time limit of 5 minutes, as public question period total limit is 15 minutes.)

7. **MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED**

7.1. **ACCESSIBILITY FOR ONTARIANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 2005 (AODA)**

Darren Cooper, Accessibility Specialist will provide a brief verbal update with respect to the Accessibility For Ontarians With Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA).

7.2. **Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee Update**

Naz Husain, Citizen Member, Accessibility Advisory Committee and Chair, Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee will provide a brief verbal update.

7.3. **Citizens with Disabilities - Ontario Report on the Fed's Consultation on Accessibility Legislation**

Darren Cooper, Accessibility Specialist, with respect to Citizens with Disabilities - Ontario Report on the Fed's Consultation on Accessibility Legislation

7.4. **Accessibility Advisory Committee - Pending Work Plan Items**

7.5. **National Access Awareness Week Event Update**

7.6. **Update on 2016 Annual Report of the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and 2016 MiWay**

Annual Accessibility Report7.7. Accessibility Directorate of Ontario - 2017 Forum

Darren Cooper, Accessibility Specialist, with respect to Accessibility Directorate of Ontario - 2017 Forum

7.8. Connections 2017 - Resource Fair for Persons with Disabilities

Darren Cooper, with respect to Connections 2017 - Resource Fair for Persons with Disabilities

7.9. The Institute of Transportation Engineers Update

Carol-Ann Chafe, Chair, with respect to an update from The Institute of Transportation Engineers

8. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**8.1. Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee Report - November 28, 2016 -Scholar's Green Phase 28.2. Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee Report - February 27, 20179. **INFORMATION ITEMS**10. **COMMITTEE UPDATE/OTHER BUSINESS**11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING(S)** September 18, 201712. **ADJOURNMENT**

City of Mississauga
Minutes



Accessibility Advisory Committee**DRAFT****Date**

2017/02/06

Time

2:00 PM

Location

Civic Centre, Committee Room A – Second Floor
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Members Present

Councillor Matt Mahoney, Ward 8
Carol-Ann Chafe, Citizen Member (Chair)
Melanie Taddeo, Citizen Member (Vice-Chair)
Naz Husain, Citizen Member
Rabia Khedr, Citizen Member
Clement Lowe, Citizen Member
Mashkoo Sherwani, Citizen Member
Asim Zaidi, Citizen Member
Mandi Buckner, Stakeholder Member
Alfie Smith, Stakeholder Member
Sally Wall, Stakeholder Member

Members Absent

Councillor Pat Saito, Ward 9

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Staff Present

Daryl Bell, Manager, Mobile Licensing Enforcement
Darren Cooper, Accessibility Specialist
Lawrence Franklin, Urban Designer
Ben Gomberg, Manager, Active Transportation
Virginia Kalapaka, Project Manager, Park Development
Diana Krawczyk, Manager, Burnhamthorpe Library
Diana Simpson, Supervisor, Accessibility Planning
Christine Gabany, Manager, Talent Acquisition
Christopher Tham, Marketing Coordinator
Mojan Jianfar, Assistant Planner, Culture and Heritage Planning
Nigel Roberts, IT Manager, Digital Services & Mobility
Alana Tyers, Team Leader, Transit Planning
LeeAnn Lloyd, Strategic Leader, Planning and Building
Diana Rusnov, Manager, Legislative Services, Deputy Clerk
Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

1. **CALL TO ORDER - 2:05 PM**2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mojan Jianfar, Assistant Planner, Culture and Heritage Planning, requested to add the Culture Master Plan Engagement to "Other Business".

Carol Ann Chafe, Chair, Accessibility Advisory Committee, requested to add Lakeshore Connections Communities to "Other Business".

Rabia Khedr, Citizen Member, Accessibility Advisory Committee, requested to add an Announcement to "Other Business"

Approved (M. Sherwani)

3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Nil.**4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**4.1. Minutes of the November 21, 2016 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting

Daryl Bell, Manager, Mobile Licensing advised of a correction to be made to the November 21, 2016, to item 9.3, 4th paragraph to read as follows:

Carol-Ann Chafe, Chair noted that she had attended a session at OCAD University where Uber had made a presentation about accessible services, to which Mr. Bell advised that Toronto and Ottawa had worked with Uber to develop the service and further advised that the Mississauga taxi industry is meeting all, but the accessibility, transportation needs in the City.

Approved (A. Smith)

5. **DEPUTATIONS**5.1. Community Engagement Strategy Session

LeeAnn Lloyd, Strategic Leader in Planning and Building provided a brief overview of the development of a community engagement strategy, and introduced Liz Nield and Niki Angelis, of Lura Consulting. Members participated in the facilitated session conducted by Liz Nield to solicit thoughts and ideas on the following:

1. What is meaningful community consultation?
2. What are the best ways for the City of Mississauga to consult with members of the community on City matters?

3. What advice for the City of Mississauga to make community consultation more accessible and inclusive?

Suggestions made by Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee include but are not limited to the following:

- Attract the community to come out to participate; open houses sessions; roundtable discussions; community meetings; provide defined questions and adequate time to respond; provide lots of notice; make community feel connected into the process; ideas and feedback put into action; follow-up with participants to show progress of information shared; live twitter chats; more technology engagement to reach those who physically cannot attend; on-line survey; multiple platforms to be able to connect; virtual town hall meetings; meaningful is accessible; questions on goals; attract different age base and persons with disabilities; demographic survey (age, religion, race) of audience; provide interpreters and other facilitators for persons with disabilities; use radio, social media and other methods of reaching out to community; consider location for meetings that are easily accessible by transportation; and engage organizations in the Mental Health field.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the document dated February 2017, entitled Community Engagement building our strategy, be received for information.
2. That the Members of the Mississauga Accessibility Advisory Committee's feedback provided to Liz Nield, Consultant, regarding Community Engagement Strategy, be received.

Received (M. Taddeo)

Recommendation AAC-0001-2017

6. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - Nil.**

7. **MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED**

- 7.1. ACCESSIBILITY FOR ONTARIANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 2005 (AODA)

Diana Simpson, Supervisor, Accessibility Planning provided advised that there were no further updates, but did note that the federal government consultation on accessibility legislation will be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at the Chelsea Park Hotel in Toronto. Accessibility Advisory Committee Members who attend can provide an update at the next Committee meeting.

7.2. Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee Update

Naz Husain, Citizen Member, advised that on February 16, 2017 the Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee will be having their elections for Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee. Ms. Husain is currently the Chair of the Region of Peel's Accessibility Advisory Committee.

7.3. Draft 2016 Annual Report of the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and 2016 MiWay Annual Accessibility Report

Diana Simpson, Supervisor, Accessibility Planning highlight key success as follows:

- Hosting the ParaSport Try It Event for high school students to experience wheelchair rugby, basketball, sledge hockey and sitting volleyball
- Training staff and volunteers in face-to-face Accessibility Customer Service.
- Supported families that have a family member with a disability through a summer recreation Inclusion Support Program
- The Inclusion Resource Team (Recreation) in partnership with Community Living Mississauga provided support worker support and outreach to 120 adults with disabilities
- Union Park was developed with accessible fitness equipment, paved access routes, a shelter, accessible picnic/games table, benches, and leash-free area.
- Updating trails and playgrounds
- Completing washroom buildings at Lisgar Fields and Dr. Martin L. Dobkin Park
- Installing MiWay bus pads throughout Mississauga;
- The Road to Mental Readiness training program was initiated with Mississauga Fire Fighters.
- Carol-Ann Chafe, Chair, Accessibility Advisory Committee, received the Robert Pearson Guiding Star Award at the 2016 Connect 4 Life Gala Event.
- Hired an Accessibility Specialist, Darren Cooper, as a new position to the City of Mississauga's Accessibility Planning Program.

Ms. Simpson further highlighted some of the 2017 initiatives include, a continuation of the Facility Accessibility audit, the construction of 2 fully inclusive playgrounds, and New Revised Accessible Document Program.

Members made inquiries with respect to the Employment Standards as follows:

- What type of accommodation requests is the City receiving related to employment, and how many requests has the City made accommodations for with respect to career progression in the workplace and at the interview level; have the City of Mississauga complied with Accessible employment standards and what is the process and procedures

Christine Gabaney, Manager, Talent Acquisitions, advised that the City of Mississauga has complied with the Accessible employment standards and further advised that some of the recruitment information is private and confidential. Ms. Simpson requested Ms. Gabaney to follow up with City staff to provide an overview of the process and procedures and provide information regarding accommodation requests and compliance with respect to Accessible employment standards and provide feedback to the Accessibility Advisory Committee at a future meeting.

Alana Tyers, Team Leader, Transit Planning, provided an overview of the MiWay Annual Accessibility Report. Carol-Ann Chafe, Chair, inquired about the Senior Discount Program. Ms. Tyers advised that the program has been extended.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Draft 2016 Annual Report of the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and 2016 MiWay Annual Accessibility Report, be received for information.
2. That the Mississauga Accessibility Advisory Committee is in full support of the Draft 2016 Annual Report of the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and 2016 MiWay Annual Accessibility Report as presented.

Received (N. Husain)

Recommendation AAC-0002-2017

7.4.

National Access Awareness Week Event Update

Asim Zaidi, Chair, Promotional Awareness Subcommittee, provided an update with respect to the National Access Awareness Week Event that will highlight accessibility in Canada throughout the years, with exhibits showcasing some historic milestones as well as current trends in accessibility. The event will be held on June 5, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Great Hall, Civic Centre.

Mr. Zaidi, advised that there will be City of Mississauga and other selected community organizations exhibits; guest speakers, light refreshments and giveaways.

Diana Simpson, Supervisor, Accessibility Planning, advised that an application has been made for funding through the Rick Hansen Access4All; and that a decision with respect to the granting of funds for this event should be made by mid to late March 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

That the verbal update provided by Asim Zaidi, Mississauga Accessibility Advisory Committee Citizen Member, with respect to the National Access Awareness week, be received for information.

Received (A. Smith)

Recommendation AAC-0003-2017

7.5

Accessible Cities Award

Diana Simpson, Supervisor, Accessibility Planning, thanked Members for providing locations such as Celebration Square, Meadowvale Community Centre and library, Malton Community Centre and Library, O'Connor Park, Riverwood Enabling Gardens and Lakeside Park, with respect to the Accessible Cities Awards. Ms. Simpson further advised that if there are any further suggestions, kindly email her by the end of the week.

RECOMMENDATION

That the verbal update provided by Diana Simpson, Accessibility Coordinator, with respect to Accessible Cities Awards, be received for information.

Received (Councillor M. Mahoney)

Recommendation AAC-0004-2017

7.6

Pending Work Plan Items - Accessibility Advisory Committee

Carol-Ann Chafe, Chair, advised that she will be attending the cycling show and will provide information at a future meeting with respect to enhancing cycling for persons with disabilities. Ms. Chafe further advised that she has connected with Members of the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee and stakeholders and will provide further information at a later date.

Ms. Husain requested that Ms. Chafe invite a Member of the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee to attend a future Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting. Christine Gabany, Manager, Talent Acquisition provided an update on employment and hiring practices. Rabia Kedhr, Citizen Member inquired if there is an opportunity for the Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee to provide any further feedback before the report is finalized. Ms. Gabaney advised that although she would provide further updates to the Committee, the process is currently at the Leadership Team phase.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee Pending Work Plan Items be received, as amended.

Received (N. Husain)

Recommendation AAC-0005-2017

8. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

8.1. Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee Report – November 28, 2016

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee of the Mississauga Accessibility Advisory Committee Report dated November 28, 2016, be received as amended;
2. That the presentation regarding Mississauga Legends Row Project to the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee on November 28, 2016, be received;
3. That subject to the comments on the presentation, the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee is satisfied with the design of Mississauga Legends Row Project.

Approved (A. Zaidi)

Recommendation AAC-0006-2017

Scholar's Green Phase 2

Carol-Ann Chafe, Chair, advised that the minutes of November 28, 2016 did not reflect the inquiry she made regarding the service dog relieving stations in the discussion regarding Scholar's Green Phase 2. Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator, will make the necessary revisions to the Minutes.

8.2. Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee Report - December 19, 2016RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee of the Mississauga Accessibility Advisory Committee Report dated December 19, 2016, be received.
2. That the presentations regarding the Mavis Road Environmental Assessment Study, the Square One Drive Extension Environmental Assessment Study, the Credit River Active Transportation Crossings Project, and the Sheridan Park Drive Extension Environmental Assessment Study to the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee on December 19, 2016, be received;
3. That subject to the comments on the presentations, the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee is satisfied with the designs and plans of the Mavis Road Environmental Assessment Study, the Square One Drive Extension Environmental Assessment Study, the Credit River Active Transportation Crossings Project, and the Sheridan Park Drive Extension Environmental Assessment Study.

Approved (A. Zaidi)

Recommendation AAC-0007-2017

9. **INFORMATION ITEMS**9.1. Toronto Star Article on Housing

Link to an article in the Toronto Star with respect to shared home ownership entitled "Thank you for being a friend...I can buy a house with: Meet a new generation of golden girls".

RECOMMENDATION

That the Toronto Star Article on housing be received for information.

Received (N. Husain)

Recommendation AAC-0008-2017

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9.2. Uber: Deaf Uber Drivers (Accessibility)

Email dated January 17, 2017 entitled Uber: Deaf Uber Drivers (Accessibility), from Chris Schafer, Uber Public Policy Manager, Canada.

RECOMMENDATION

That the email dated January 1, 2017, from Chris Schafer, Uber Public Policy Manager, Canada, with respect to Uber: Deaf Uber Drivers (Accessibility), be received for information.

Received (M. Sherwani)

Recommendation AAC-0009-2017

10. **COMMITTEE UPDATE/OTHER BUSINESS**

Mojan Jianfar, Culture Division, provided a brief overview of the Culture Master Plan and provided information to Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee with respect to the Culture Master Plan Engagement, such as upcoming in-person meetings, twitter chats and on-line survey as opportunities to participate in the development of the new Culture Master Plan. Ms. Jianfar advised that all locations selected for the public meetings and focus group meetings are accessible. Ms. Jianfar, further added that if there are other services required, Members who are participating in these meetings, can contact her. Ms. Jianfar encouraged Members to take part in the meetings and to share with others this information. Ms. Jianfar will provide further information with respect to dates, time, location and links for general public meetings, on-line survey, focus group meetings, and twitter chats, via email.

Carol-Ann Chafe, Chair, spoke to the Lakeshore Connects survey and asked Members for feedback. Members did not have any comments at this time.

Rabia Kedhr announced that the Deen Support Services Fundraising dinner will be held on March 4, 2017. Ms. Kedhr advised Members who are interested in attending to contact her for tickets.

11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** - Monday, April 10, 2017 - 2:00 PM, Civic Centre, Committee Room A

12. **ADJOURNMENT** – 4:12 PM



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CWDO's Report on the Fed's Consultation on Accessibility Legislation

Information And Pages

A federal government consultation on accessibility legislation was held in Toronto on February 8. A representative from CWDO was there.

There was such an overwhelming response to the pre-registration, that a second ballroom was in place across the hall. Our rooms were linked together for opening comments, including comments from the Hon. David Onley, formerly the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario. He has been appointed the Ontario Champion for accessibility as it relates to this legislation.

This consultation was one in a series of consultations held across the country, and was the last one scheduled. It was well represented, with over 200 people in attendance between the two rooms. Those who registered received a consultation guide outlining a number of questions the government had to address in developing the legislation.

After introductory remarks, people were asked to raise their hand so that they could be given a card with a number on it, and then people spoke in order of the number on their card. Each speaker was given 3 minutes to speak.

There were three key questions for feedback, and speakers could address any or all of them in their 3 minutes:

1. What are the key barriers you are experiencing?
2. What do you think should be done to address those barriers?
3. What can be done to make attitudes toward people with disabilities more positive?

The federal government was particularly interested in hearing from us about whether we favoured a prescriptive approach, that is, setting timelines, standards, etc., or whether we preferred an outcomes-based approach, for example, awareness campaigns, and measuring progress over time. A couple of people spoke to this point – one who felt that a prescriptive approach was the only way to go since we've been working on "feel-good" campaigns since the 1970s and 1980s, and have not made much headway. Another speaker felt the opposite, and believed people had to have their heart in it to make progress.

Key points raised:

- The organizers pointed out that employment was a main focus of interest, since everything else serves to be a barrier to employment if it is not available – transportation, housing, etc.
- They wanted to hear from us about things that were within the federal purview – that is, things under their control and authority.
- Several speakers in both rooms raised the importance of having an Ombudsman or other independent overseer to hold people accountable to the legislation
- Several speakers raised the importance of having effective enforcement mechanisms
- Individuals who were Deaf were very well represented in both rooms and very well organized. They spoke quite eloquently about various aspects of employment and inclusion that are barriers. It was suggested that the unemployment rate in the deaf community is approximately 88%. They also stressed the importance of education as a foundation for employment.
- Many applicants in both rooms raised concerns related to unemployment rate for persons with disabilities. Statistics Canada has stated that 49% of persons with disabilities who could work are not employed in Canada
- People recommended setting goals and targets for employers to hire people with disabilities
- A couple of people spoke out to ensure that their groups would be included in the definition of disability for the legislation – autism and environmental sensitivities. They felt they were not included now
- Several people raised points about the importance of the federal government using their leverage with regard to transfer payments to the provinces to insist that standards be in place, for example, education and healthcare

- The point was made that taxpayer dollars should not be spent if the product or service was not accessible, that the government can use its "buying power" to address a number of barriers
- Concerns were also raised regarding provincial and municipal procurement policies and how they impact accessibility here in Ontario. The example used was the purchase of buses for a municipal transportation system that could not be made accessible.
- The AODA Alliance recommended that the federal government NOT copy Ontario's approach to the AODA
- Someone suggested that persons with disabilities be given access to sexual supports a comment which raised a huge round of applause
- Some people representing municipal accessibility advisory committees think the committees have no role. stated clearly that the advisory committees are not working very well

There were other points raised, most of which are included in our submission which will be published on this website at the end of February.

Thank you to the many CWDO members who attended the consultation and responded to our survey. Thank you also to the Canadian Disability Alliance(CDA) for reporting comments which were offered in the second room. Read the CDA's proposals on their Facebook page, and give them your feedback.



Contact

AAC Recommendation	Work Plan Item	Status
AAC-0009-2014	Accessible Cycling	<p>**Update Required (On the January 10, 2017 MCAC agenda for consideration.)</p> <p>Updated September 12, 2016: AAC-0030-2016</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Pending Work Plan Items Summary Chart updated for the September 12, 2016 meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee be approved, as amended; 2. That the Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee write a letter to the Active Transportation Office, copied to the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee and the Commissioner of Community Services, expressing support investigating accessible recreational cycling options for persons with disabilities. <p>Updated February 6, 2017: AAC-0005-2017 That the Accessibility Advisory Committee Pending Work Plan Items be received, as amended.</p>
AAC-0027-2015 / GC-0550-2015	Employment/Hiring Practices	<p>In progress</p> <p>GC-0550-2015</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the email dated July 11, 2015 from Mashkooor Sherwani, Citizen Member with respect to hiring practices for persons with developmental and intellectual disabilities, be received; (Completed) 2. That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) and appropriate Subcommittees of the AAC engage staff from Human Resources and Community Stakeholder groups to open a dialogue in identifying barriers and opportunities for persons with disabilities to participate in the City's hiring process; (In progress) 3. That in 2016 Human Resources staff consult with the Accessibility Advisory Committee in the development of the planned Workplace Diversity Strategy, which is to include discussing the feasibility of employment related programs for persons with disabilities. (Completed)

Community Accessibility Forums 2017

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Who Should Attend

- Ontarians interested in accessibility for people with disabilities
- Members of municipal Accessibility Advisory Committees and municipal staff who work with and support them
- Community organizations and businesses that provide services or support to people with disabilities

How to Register

To register, please click on the date below; or visit www.eventbrite.ca and search for "Accessibility Forum" in the city of your choice.

April 19 – **London**

April 26 – **Windsor**

May 3 – **Stoney Creek**

May 10 – **Sault Ste. Marie**

May 17 – **Ottawa**

May 23 – **Kitchener**

June 1 – **Toronto**

June 7 – **Sudbury**

June 14 – **Thunder Bay**

If you need help to register, please contact the Accessibility Directorate of Ontario at accessibility@ontario.ca; phone 1-866-515-2025, TTY 1-800-268-7095.

Connections 2017

Resource Fair for Persons with Disabilities

Wednesday May 3

12:00 pm – 7:00 pm

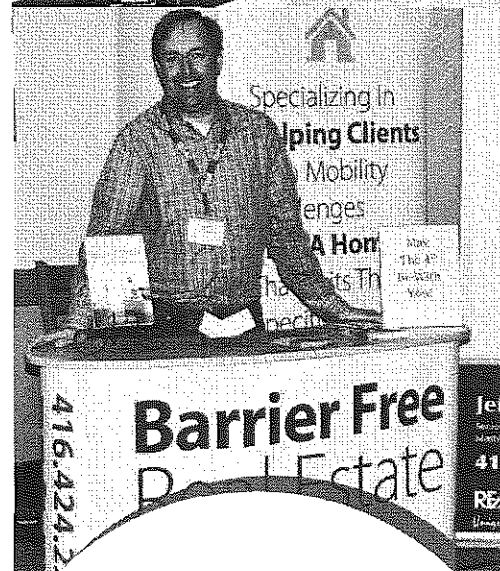
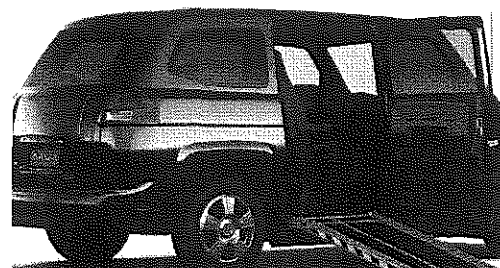
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REPORT (Revised at the February 6, 2017 AAC meeting)

**FACILITY ACCESSIBILITY DESIGN SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE MISSISSAUGA ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA
www.mississauga.ca

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2016 – 1:36 PM

**Committee Room D – 2nd Floor, Civic Centre
300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga L5B 3C1**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Clement Lowe, Citizen Member (CHAIR)
Asim Zaidi, Citizen Member
Carol-Ann Chafe, *ex-officio*

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mashkoor Sherwani, Citizen Member
Melanie Taddeo, Citizen Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Darren Cooper, Accessibility Specialist
Lawrence Franklin, Urban Designer, Development & Design Division
Virginia Kalapaka, Project Manager, Park Development
Paul Marsala, Terraplan Landscape Architects Ltd.
Fernando Moraes, Project Manager, Facilities and Property Management
Kathi Ross, Senior Project Manager, Park Development
Diana Simpson, Supervisor, Accessibility Planning
Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER – 1:36 PM

Clement Lowe, Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM and requested that all present at the meeting introduce themselves.

ITEMS CONSIDERED

1. Mississauga Legends Row Project

Ron Duquette, President and Founder of Mississauga Legends Row and Fernando Moraes, Project Manager, Facilities and Property Management presented details of the Mississauga Legends Row project, noting the achievement areas that a person could be nominated for and that the project was totally funded through fundraising efforts.

Mr. Moraes spoke regarding the totems noting that they will have three components – the totem itself, a historical plaque, and a banner – and advised of the location the totems would be placed at, in an accessible area of Celebration Square along the west and east colonnades. In response to questions from the Committee, Mr. Moraes advised that each totem would be a standalone metal structure with a stainless steel base that would contrast against the brick in the colonnades, would be almost eight feet tall, and would have a six foot inductee plaque that would also be in Braille. Mr. Duquette noted that people could also access the plaque information on the Legends Row website for narration.

Virginia Kalapaka, Project Manager, Park Development inquired about the width of the path and lighting, to which Mr. Moraes advised that the path through the colonnades is very wide and that the area is shaded and has lighting spotted to the floor.

Clement Lowe, Chair noted the good use of the Facility Accessibility Design Standards and thanked Mr. Duquette and Mr. Moraes for their presentation.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the presentation regarding Mississauga Legends Row Project to the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee on November 28, 2016, be received;
2. That subject to the comments on the presentation, the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee is satisfied with the design of Mississauga Legends Row Project.

2. Scholar's Green Phase 2

Paul Marsala, Terraplan Landscape Architects Ltd. and Kathi Ross, Senior Project Manager, Park Development presented details of the Scholar's Green Phase 2 project. Mr. Marsala advised that Phase 2 is the north site located by the new Sheridan College building, west of City Centre Drive and would be a "forest in the city". Further, Mr. Marsala spoke to the textured pavement walkways that would not exceed a 2% grade and noted that there would also be a usable forest floor. Ms. Ross advised that an additional Sheridan College building would start construction in January 2018 and that park construction would commence in the spring of 2019.

Mr. Marsala spoke to a patterned floor consisting of permeable paving (filter-pave of recycled glass) with TPV rubber paving of contrasting colours and noted the flat, direct access to the park and student gathering areas. Further, Mr. Marsala noted that there would be an artificial lawn surface, a seat wall, metal benches with backs, and an urban playground. Ms. Ross noted that the play structure is intended for adults for outdoor fitness, wheelchair exercise, a lounge and concrete seating with backrests. Virginia Kalapaka, Project Manager, Park Development noted that artificial turf heats up in hot climates, thus consideration should be made for a hose to water down the turf on hot days.

In response to questions from the Committee, Mr. Marsala noted the movable bistro-style tables and chairs, the use of fabric "sunbrellas", and a "U Play Frame" that is adaptable to be used as an art display, large hammocks, and ping pong tables. Further, it was noted that there will be signage indicating the length of the accessible route with rest stations and that there would be full light dispersion and would be lit with foot candles as well. Diana Simpson, Supervisor, Accessibility Planning noted the need for colour contrast between the floor and seating.

Carol-Ann Chafe, Citizen Member inquired whether there would be a service animal relieving station and if there is to be one, that consideration be given to include the following:

- That the location of the service animal relieving station be placed near an entry door to the building;
- That the location of the service animal relieving station be properly marked and there should be sufficient wayfinding signage to find the location from the building and from outside in the parkette;
- That service animal drinking fountain stations should be provided; and
- That a garbage can easily marked located for refuse/waste disposal.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the presentation regarding Scholar's Green Phase 2 to the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee on November 28, 2016, be received;
2. That subject to the comments on the presentation, the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee is satisfied with the design of Scholar's Green Phase 2.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, December 19, 2016 - Committee Room D, Civic Centre

ADJOURNMENT – 3:15 PM



MISSISSAUGA

REPORT

FACILITY ACCESSIBILITY DESIGN SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE MISSISSAUGA ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2017– 1:37 PM

**Committee Room D – 2nd Floor, Civic Centre
300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga L5B 3C1**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Clement Lowe, Citizen Member (CHAIR)
Asim Zaidi, Citizen Member (left at 3:10 PM)
Mashkoor Sherwani, Citizen Member
Melanie Taddeo, Citizen Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Darren Cooper, Accessibility Specialist
Virginia Kalapaca, Project Manager, Park Development
Diana Simpson, Supervisor, Accessibility Planning
Lawrence Franklin, Urban Designer, Planning and Building
Matthew Calayca, Co-op Student, Facilities Development and Accessibility
Jesse DeJager, Conservation Lands Planner, Credit Valley Conservation
Brandon Martin, Project Manager, Hossack and Associates
Ken Dion, Senior Manager, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA)
Chris Burbidge, Associate, MacLennan Jaunkalns Miller Architects
Andrew Noble, District Manager, North, Recreation and Parks Division
Selby Philip, Project Manager, Facilities and Property Management
Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

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CALL TO ORDER – 1:37 PM

Clement Lowe, Chair called the meeting to order at 1:37 PM and requested that all present at the meeting introduce themselves.

ITEMS CONSIDERED

1. Erindale Park Washroom Project

Brandon Martin, Project Manager, Hossack & Associates, provided an overview of the history and uses of the park and presented details of the new accessible washroom building at Erindale Park, located at 1695 Dundas Street West.

Mr. Martin described features and material choices with respect to accessible entrances and parking spaces, accessible site design and parking signage, and accessible washroom floor plan.

Melanie Taddeo, Member, requested Mr. Martin to describe the crushed limestone. Mr. Martin noted that the limestone is a crushed, not loose, a fine stone compacted as solid as concrete and is natural brown. Mr. Martin further advised that the use of crushed limestone was the better long term option, as the park's previous use was a landfill. Members expressed concern that the ground would be unlevelled over time. Mr. Martin advised that maintenance staff would be topping up and would compact the crushed limestone if unsettling occurred.

Members spoke to concerns regarding contrast, inside and outside the building. Members also suggested that there be no hand dryers that require you to "stick your hands in".

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the presentation regarding Erindale Park Washroom Project to the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee on February 27, 2017, be received;
2. That subject to the comments on the presentation, the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee is satisfied with the design of Erindale Park Washroom Project.

2. Lakeview Waterfront Connection Project

Jesse deJager, Conservation Lands Planner, Credit Valley Conservation, presented the design of the Lakeview Waterfront Connection Project which is an initiative by Credit Valley Conservation, Region of Peel, and Toronto Region Conservation Authority to restore the eastern Mississauga shoreline by creating a new natural waterfront conservation area through the use of the clean excess fill generated from municipal projects. Mr. deJager assured Members that the Accessibility guidelines were followed throughout the design of this project.

Mr. deJager described the conservation area which replaces the existing shoreline with more natural, diverse and ecologically functional shoreline. There will be 2 access points at the new community OPG lands, and Marie Curtis Park, and 2 bridges to be installed, one at Applewood and the other at Serson Crossing.

Mr. deJager described accessible features along the trail as follows:

- All trails are firm stable surface; primary trail is asphalt surface of 4.5m width; secondary trail 2.4m limestone screening; all trail grades are less than 10% (most under 5%);
- Dispersed shaded rest areas with stone seating; Caliper trees to provide shade approximately every 90 meters; some are located at maximum 110 meter distance apart.
- Three primary scenic outlooks are intended (promontory, treed seating area and amphitheatre); additional outlooks are provided at each wetland area. All scenic outlooks connect through accessible trails. Outlooks will have edge protection with armour stone; there will be handrails along the boardwalk by the wetland.
- Regulatory and interpretive signage plan is

Members inquired about garbage cans, washrooms, parking, lighting, and whether the bridges are being designed to accommodate vehicles. Mr. deJager provided the following response to Members inquiries; there will be large garbage bins at the 2 entrance points, and further advised that there will be no washrooms, no parking and no lighting along the trail, and the bridges will be designed to accommodate maintenance and emergency vehicles.

Virginia Kalapaca, Project Manager, Park Development, suggested that signage be in brail as well as audio, and that the maps be interpretive.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the presentation regarding Lakeview Waterfront Connection to the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee on February 27, 2017, be received;
2. That subject to the comments on the presentation, the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee is satisfied with the design of Lakeview Waterfront Connection Project.

3. Churchill Meadows Community Centre and Park Project

Selby Philip, Senior Project Manager, Facilities Development & Accessibility introduced Chris Burbridge, Associate at MacLennan Jaunkalns Miller Architects who presented the Churchill Meadows Community Centre and Park Project.

Mr. Burbidge provided a brief overview of the Churchill Meadows Community Centre and Park project, noting the location on Ninth Line, north of Eglinton Avenue West, in Ward 9, being built on approximately 60 acres, which will include amenities such as 2 soccer fields (with season dome), splash pads, skate park, basketball court and playground.

Mr. Burbidge advised that there is a transit bus route that will either stop outside the gates or pull into the Churchill Meadows Community Centre and Park and that there is a very large parking lot, which is grouped as landscaping, which is easier to clear snow and more functional to maintain.

Mr. Burbidge provided a brief overview of the accessible features on the inside and outside of the property, and noted the following:

- Described the curb cuts and transition strips; noting that they are flat with a 3% grade at most
- All entrances are barrier free; sliding entrance doors
- Warning surface at the top of stairs;
- No recess waste bins; all loose bins.
- Washrooms will have Dyson V blade hand dryers; all vanities will be barrier free, and no tilted mirrors.
- Stairs in the middle of the building will be dark tile and light coloured walls. Steps will be approximately 5 feet apart the next step;

Melanie Taddeo, Member, expressed concern that people will gather at the staircase in conversation, which would create difficult navigation for individuals coming up or down the staircase.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the presentation regarding Churchill Meadows Community Centre and Park Project to the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee on February 27, 2017, be received;
2. That subject to the comments on the presentation, the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee is satisfied with the design of Churchill Meadows Community Centre and Park Project.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, March 27, 2017 – 1:30 PM - Committee Room D, Civic Centre

ADJOURNMENT – 3:55 PM