

Accessibility Advisory Committee

Minutes

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

Electronic Meeting at 1:30pm

Attendance:

Michelle Sanders, Diane Foster, Gilles Marceau, Bob Asham, Dan McKnight, David Reed, Matthew Goodman

Absent:

Kate Wiley, Jasmin Olah, Barb Legg

Guests:

Tami Kitay – Director of Planning and Building Services
Paul Carfagnini – Manager, Facilities and Energy

Staff Liaison:

Megan Detlor – Human Resources Consultant, Accessibility

1. Call meeting to order (Chair)

2. Recognition of Traditional Territories

Megan Detlor acknowledged that the land on which the Accessibility Advisory Committee meets today is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Peoples. Acknowledging this is a reminder that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.

3. Motion to approve the agenda

Moved by: Dan McKnight

Seconded by: Bob Asham

That the May 25, 2022, agenda of the Accessibility Advisory Committee be approved.

Carried

4. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**

Moved by: Bob Asham

Seconded by: Dan McKnight

That the April 27, 2022, minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee be approved

Carried

5. **Presentations (invited guests)**

Tami Kitay – Director of Planning and Building Services

Presentation about services provided by Planning and Building Department and 2021 accessibility.

Questions and comments for Tami:

Minimum width and slope on ramps not always shown on drawings, David requested to see construction details so measurements can be calculated for ramps going forward.

By-law Enforcement's role in accessible parking spaces – does by-law proactively check for this when driving around the community?

Tami – by-law responds to complaints / concerns that are reported and follows up accordingly.

There was a discussion about how the Ontario Building Code interacts with requirements under the AODA and our Facility Standards (FADS). It was explained that there are separate requirements under each and existing structures are not required to be made accessible unless they are undergoing significant renovations, in which case there are some requirements to go and update with accessible features.

David – comments on site plans – where does the feedback I provide go to, sometimes unsure of where advice has been followed, or not?

Tami – comments are shared with developers and Planning staff involved, may have to include other departments for support on occasion.

Discussion about sidewalk in front of privately owned spaces and that City only owns sidewalk up to and cannot enforce entry to private buildings and whether or not they put in a ramp.

It was recommended that there may be an opportunity for the AAC and BIA to partner with respect to City to improve access on the City property line.

6. Business

- a. 9.1 – New Member – Gilles Marceau – introduced himself and spoke about his experience professionally and in working with committees and Boards.**
- b. 9.2 – Paul Carfagnini – Introduced as a Staff contact taking over for Christine Adams**

7. Date of next meeting

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

8. Motion to Adjourn

Moved by: Bob Asham

Seconded by: Gilles Marceau

That the May 25, 2022, AAC meeting be adjourned at 3:21pm

Carried