



Minutes

Accessibility Advisory Committee

September 25, 2019

Seminar Room

17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket

Members: C. Davies, A. Dennis, L. Fortnum, L. Gold, D. Hamilton, K. Hill,
D. Hingsburger, B. Martin, J. Simmons, A. Tocco, T. Vegh,
S. Wollin

Staff: K. Adeney, C. Clark, L. Davies, S. Doyle, A. Griepsma, N. Kelly,
B. Macgregor, J. Mitchell, J. Silva

A. Call to Order

Regional Councillor Hamilton called the meeting to order at 4 p.m. and made the following remarks:

“I would like to begin today’s meeting by acknowledging that York Region extends over lands originally used and occupied by Indigenous Peoples, and on behalf of York Region, I would like to thank First Nations and the Métis for sharing this land.

I would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our closest First Nation community.”

B. Disclosures of Interest

None

C. Presentations

C.1 York Region Multi-Year Accessibility Plan: Final Draft and Consultation Plans

Committee received the presentation from Kim Adeney, Program Manager, Accessibility, Strategies and Partnerships Branch, Community and Health Services.

C.2 York Region Multi-Year Accessibility Plan: Compliance with 2021 Legislated Web Requirements

Committee received the presentation from Andrea Griepsma, Manager, Digital, Design and Public Relations and Neal Kelly, Corporate Digital Specialist, Corporate Communications, Corporate Services.

D. Deputations

None

E. Communications

None

F. Other Business

F.1 Update on Accessibility Activities

Lois Davies, Manager, Social Policy and Accessibility, Strategies and Partnerships Branch, Community and Health Services provided the following updates:

F.1.1 Information and Communications Standard

The province has released proposed changes to the legislation and is inviting feedback by October 18, 2019 from individuals and organizations across Ontario. Members of the York Region Accessibility Advisory

Committee are encouraged to provide input regarding these proposed changes.

F.1.2 Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area Accessibility Advisory Committee Joint Sessions

These sessions are hosted by the Toronto Transit Commission's Advisory Committee on Accessible Transit with a view to improve the coordination between service providers in the GTA, resulting in better service. Astley Dennis and Kirsten Hill, members of the York Region Accessibility Advisory Committee have volunteered to represent the committee at these meetings. The next meeting on October 3, 2019 will be hosted by York Region Transit at the Richmond Hill facility, 55 Orlando Avenue.

F.1.3 Invitation from East Gwillimbury Accessibility Advisory Committee

The East Gwillimbury Accessibility Advisory Committee has invited the York Region Accessibility Advisory Committee and York Region staff to present their long term corporate strategies, visions and multi-year accessibility plan. This meeting has been scheduled on October 30, 2019, and volunteers are being sought from this committee to participate in the meeting.

F.1.4 York Region Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Forum

Volunteers from this committee are being sought to participate in a joint planning committee to develop a forum for local accessibility advisory committees to be held in June 2020.

F.2 Next Meeting

The next meeting of the York Region Accessibility Advisory Committee is scheduled on Wednesday, November 27, 2019.

G. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.