



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Accessibility Advisory Committee

Thursday, June 22, 2017

4:15 PM

Sir Robert Barrie Room

**For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee of the City of
Barrie on September 26, 2017**

The Accessibility Advisory Committee met at 4:15 p.m. in the Sir Robert Barrie Room and the following were in attendance:

Present: 5 - Chairman D. Taylor
B. Jones
D. Lamont
R. Meier
D. St. Amand

Absent: 2 - Councillor S. Morales
M. Papp-Belayneh

STAFF:

Accessibility Co-ordinator, C. Dillon
Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard
Cultural Officer - Development. A. Dyke.

The Accessibility Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:**ACCESSIBILITY ARTS AWARD DISCUSSION**

A. Dyke, Cultural Officer - Development provided an update regarding the criteria for the Barrie Arts Awards Category entitled "Artists without Barriers". Ms. Dyke provided the Committee with a copy of the draft of the 2017 Barrie Arts Award Nomination Information and Nomination Form for their reference. The Committee provided their suggestions to Ms. Dyke regarding the criteria for the Artist without Barriers award category. C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator commented that she will ensure the award criteria aligns with AODA standards and will forward information to A. Dyke. C. Dillon reviewed a list of names of potential jurors for the Barrie Arts Awards.

STOPGAP PROJECT UPDATE

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator provided an update regarding a potential StopGap Project. Ms. Dillon commented that she has received support from the Downtown Business Improvement Area regarding the StopGap Project.

AWARDS FOR ACCESSIBLE BUSINESSES IN BARRIE DISCUSSION

The Committee members discussed awards for Accessible Business in Barrie. D. Taylor, Chair suggested having the awards available for presentation to the recipients in October, 2017. C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator provided suggestions on the type of awards. The Committee agreed with awarding five recipients in 2017. C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator will work with staff in Access Barrie regarding the Awards for Accessible Businesses in Barrie. The Committee will further review a list of recipients at their September meeting.

AODA COMPLIANCE UPDATE

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator provided an update regarding AODA Compliance. C. Dillon commented that the City of Barrie is up to date on their 2016 and 2017 obligations regarding the AODA compliance. Ms Dillon outlined the following obligations:

2016 Obligations

- Open Public Spaces

2017 Obligations

- Transit, scheduling of trips and hours of operations now in a position to offer same hours for both conventional and specialized transit.

NATIONAL ACCESS AWARENESS WEEK WRAP-UP

The Committee met and discussed the 2017 National Access Awareness Week open house held on May 31, 2017 in the City Hall, Rotunda. D. Taylor, Chair requested feedback from the Committee concerning open house. The Committee members commented that the open house was well attended and provided a positive experience. C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator advised that she has received positive feedback from the exhibitors at the open house.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

CHAIRMAN