



City of Barrie

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Final Accessibility Advisory Committee

Thursday, November 11, 2021

4:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on January 25, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, C. Kenwell 4:00 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

- Present:** 5 - Chairman C. Kenwell
M. Francis
C. Moran
H. Morgan
L. Pope
- Absent:** 2 - Councillor R. Thomson
D. Taylor

STAFF:

Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard
Diversity Management Specialist, C. Dillon
Transit Coordinator, J. McDonald
Supervisor of Transit Operations and Infrastructure, J. Zimmerman.

The Accessibility Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

PRESENTATION CONCERNING BARRIE TRANSIT SERVICES

Jason Zimmerman, Supervisor Transit Operations and Infrastructure and Julie MacDonald, Transit Coordinator provided a presentation concerning an update on Barrie's transit services.

Mr. Zimmerman and Ms. MacDonald discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The Committee's accessibility concerns to City transit services;

- Meeting the concerns and what is new to transit services;
- Site concepts for the Allandale Mobility Hub;
- An overview on the Transit Vision Project;
- A summary on the Barrie Transit ON-Demand Pilot associated to design, and expansion potential;
- The MyRide Barrie app improvements;
- The public health measures in place to assist transit staff and riders;
- Booking software upgrades and updates;
- The improvements made to the Specialized Transit Fleet;
- The Province's Enabling Change Campaign and transit accessibility;
- The Barrie Transit Magnus Cards; and
- The Senior Transit Fares.

Members of the Committee asked a number of questions of City staff and received responses.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Cheryl Dillon, Diversity Management Specialist provided an update concerning International Day of Persons with Disabilities which takes place annually on the 3rd of December. She advised that the Mayor's Office has been contacted to prepare a proclamation for International Day of Persons with Disabilities Day for December 3, 2021. Ms. Dillon provided suggestions related to events for National AccessAbility Week for May, 2022.

COMMITTEE INVOLVEMENT IN ACCESSIBILITY AWARENESS TRAINING

Cheryl Dillon, Diversity Management Specialist advised that City staff have inquired about receiving accessibility awareness training. Ms. Dillon asked the Committee if they would be interested providing accessibility awareness training to City staff outlining their accessibility challenges and/or experiences.

2022 COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

The Committee discussed their 2022 meeting schedule and agreed to continue to meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month with the exception of July and August.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

CHAIRMAN