

City of Barrie

REPORT OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

For consideration by Corporate Services Committee of the City of Barrie on October 18, 2011

The Accessibility Advisory Committee met on Thursday, September 22, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. in the Sir Robert Barrie Room.

PRESENT: K. Demberline, Chair
Councillor J. Robinson (left the meeting at 5:45 p.m.)
D. Benson
D. Kerr
M. Crocker (left the meeting at 5:45 p.m.)
M. Papp-Belayeh.

STAFF: Accessibility Co-ordinator, C. Dillon
Manager of Facilities, K. Bradley (left the meeting at 4:55 p.m.)
Recording Secretary, T. Maynard.

The Accessibility Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

11-G-029 FACILITY AUDITS

K. Bradley, Manager of Facilities provided the Committee with an update concerning facility audits for the City of Barrie. He noted that he is currently creating a master document for facility audits and requested the Committee's support with prioritization. He noted that this document will provide a baseline and assist the City with long term planning.

11-G-030 COMMUNITY CONCERNS

C. Cutler provided the Committee with a brief presentation concerning invisible disabilities that may not be visible to the human eye. Ms. Cutler provided the Committee with a brief history about herself and how she became an advocate for people with disabilities.

11-G-031 MEMBER UPDATE – WHEELCHAIR RELAY

K. Demberline provided information regarding the Canadian Paraplegic Association Wheelchair Relay recently held in Barrie on September 18, 2011. She noted that this event was a success and raised over \$18,000.

11-G-032 MEMBER UPDATE – SCAN MEETING

C. Dillon, D. Benson and Councillor Robinson provided an update regarding the Simcoe County Accessibility Network (SCAN) meeting held on September 14, 2011. C. Dillon noted that SCAN meetings provide Simcoe County municipalities with the opportunity to network with each other and share information.

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11-G-033 ENABLING ACCESSIBILITY FUND GRANT (EAF) UPDATE

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator commented that the application for the Enabling Accessibility Fund Grant "EAF" will not be submitted due to changes in the application process.

11-G-034 ACCESSIBILITY PLAN 2012

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator noted that the 2012 Accessibility Plan is being prepared. She commented that the draft Plan will be presented to the Committee for comments.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

CHAIRMAN