

**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, August 25, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. in the Sir Robert Barrie Room.

**PRESENT:** K. Demberline, Chairperson  
Councillor J. Robinson  
D. Benson  
D. Kerr  
M. Papp-Belayeh (left the meeting at 6:15 p.m.).

**STAFF:** Accessibility Co-ordinator, C. Dillon  
Recording Secretary, T. Maynard.  
Senior Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, J. Forgrave. (left the meeting at 5:30 p.m.).

**The Accessibility Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:**

**SECTION "A"**

**11-AAC-021 NUISANCE BY-LAW AND ENFORCEMENT OF ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES**

The Committee met with J. Forgrave, Senior Municipal Law Enforcement Officer and discussed the Nuisance By-law 2004-142 and the enforcement of accessible parking spaces. The Committee commented that they feel the wording in the Nuisance By-law seems to be unclear concerning the use of wheelchairs and scooters on City sidewalks. The Committee expressed concern regarding safety issues for people travelling in wheelchairs. The Committee agreed to invite Barrie Police Service and staff from Municipal Law and Prosecution Services to a future Committee meeting to discuss safety issues.

**The Accessibility Advisory Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation:**

**SECTION "B"**

**11-AAC-022 REVIEW OF NUISANCE BY-LAW 2004-142**

That staff in Legal Services Department review the Nuisance By-law 2004-142 to ensure the By-law is in compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act and any amendment be made to the By-law as deemed necessary to reflect the Act.

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**SECTION "C"**

**11-AAC-023 ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES**

M. Papp-Belayeh provided comments concerning the St. Vincent Street Park Audit and the Facility Audit for the new Barrie Fire and Emergency Service Station No. 1 that was completed with members of the Canadian Council of the Blind. C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator noted that she will forward the park audit to staff in the Engineering Department.

K. Demberline commented that the Canadian Parapalegic Association Wheelchair Relay Challenge will be taking place on September 18, 2011 at Heritage Park. This event promotes awareness of spinal cord injury.

**11-AAC-024 SIMCOE COUNTY ACCESSIBILITY NETWORK (SCAN) MEETING**

The Committee met and discussed the upcoming SCAN meeting to be held on Wednesday September 14, 2011 at the Hawk Ridge Golf and Country Club. Both C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator and K. Demberline noted they both will be attending and encouraged other Committee members to attend.

**11-AAC-025 SITE PLAN REVIEW AND FACILITIES AUDITS**

The Committee deferred this matter to a future Committee meeting.

**11-AAC-026 ACCESSIBLE DESIGN STANDARDS**

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator noted that she is currently researching accessible design standards in Ontario and will be providing this information to the Committee and the Planning Services Department at a future date.

**11-AAC-027 ENABLING ACCESSIBILITY FUND GRANT (EAF)**

The Committee met and discussed the City of Barrie's submission of the "Enabling Grant Fund" (EAF) application for Audible Pedestrian Signals.

**11-AAC-028 RICK HANSEN EVENT**

The Committee met and discussed the upcoming Rick Hansen Event which will be taking place in December, 2011. C. Dillon commented that preparations for this event are on-going.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

**CHAIRMAN**