

City of Barrie

70 Collier Street (Box 400) Barrie, ON L4M 4T5

Minutes - Final Accessibility Advisory Committee

Thursday, March 27, 2014

4:45 PM

Sir Robert Barrie Room

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee of the City of Barrie on April 23, 2014

The Accessibility Advisory Committee met at 4:57 p.m. in the Sir Robert Barrie Room and the following were in attendance:

Present:

Councillor, D. Shipley, Acting Chair

C. Caterer

M. Crocker

A. Lillie.

Staff:

Accessibility Co-ordinator, C. Dillon Facility Capital Project Supervisor, P. Meredith Manager of Facility Planning and Development, G. King Recording Secretary, L. Pearson.

City of Barrie Page 1

The Accessibility Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

CITY HALL 1ST FLOOR RENOVATIONS FOR ACCESSIBILITY SERVICE IMPACTS

The Committee met with G. King, Manager of Facility Planning and P. Meredith, Facility Development Capital Project Supervisor to discuss the renovation of the first floor at City Hall which is designed to address Accessibility Service Impacts.

The Committee toured the first floor renovations. G. King highlighted the customer service improvements achieved by the renovation. He noted that the renovation provides more privacy, safety and accessibility for the customer. He stated that a self service kiosk and additional permanent signage will eventually be installed.

G. King advised that renovation of the Council Chambers to improve accessibility is in the architectural design stage for 2014.

The Committee asked questions related to the information provided and received responses from Mr. King.

UNIVERSAL DESIGN FORUM SPONSORSHIP

The Committee met and discussed sponsorship of the Universal Design Forum to be held in May, 2014 at Georgian College. The Committee authorized the expenditure of funds from the Accessibility Advisory Committee account 01-06-0930-0000-3071 in the amount of \$1000.00 for sponsorship of the Universal Design Forum.

AODA ACCESSIBLE CUSTOMER SERVICE STANDARD AMENDMENTS

The Committee discussed the proposed Amendments to the AODA Accessible Customer Service Standard. C. Dillon, Coordinator outlined the proposed changes to the AODA Customer Service Standard and noted that the majority of the changes are to align the Customer Service Standard and the definitions with the other three accessible standards. C. Dillon indicated that she will circulate the feedback form to Committee members to provide them an opportunity to provide comments on the changes. She also noted that the form can be submitted independently by individual Committee members or the forms can be forwarded to Cheryl and she will submit them. She stated that the deadline for submissions is April 16th, 2014.

City of Barrie Page 2

BARRIE FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES MEETING

The Committee received an update from C. Dillon, Accessibility Coordinator concerning scheduling a meeting with Barrie Fire and Emergency Service. Ms. Dillon noted that the meeting date has been set for Wednesday, May 7th at 4:30 p.m. at Fire Station No. 1. She asked Committee members to check their calendars and advise her of their availability. It was suggested that this meeting could be utilized as the May Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting. C. Dillon and T. Maynard will co-ordinate and investigate if the boardroom at the Fire Station No. 1 is available for this date.

The meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

City of Barrie Page 3