



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Accessibility Advisory Committee

Thursday, February 25, 2016

4:45 PM

Sir Robert Barrie Room

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee of the City of Barrie on March 23, 2016.

The Accessibility Advisory Committee met at 4:47 p.m. in the Sir Robert Barrie Room and the following were in attendance:

PRESENT:

Councillor, S. Morales
D. Taylor, Chair
D. Lamont
R. Meier
M. Papp-Belayneh.

STAFF:

Accessibility Co-ordinator, C. Dillon
Committee Support Clerk, J. Werth
Facilities Capital Project Supervisor, L. Worton.

ALSO PRESENT:

MVT Canadian Bus Inc., D. Childs
MVT Canadian Bus Inc., E. Segriff.

The Accessibility Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:**CITY FACILITY ACCESSIBILITY RENOVATIONS - UPDATE**

L. Worton, Facilities Capital Project Supervisor provided a verbal presentation regarding current Corporate Facilities projects that include accessibility improvements.

Ms. Worton provided an update on the status of the construction or renovations for the following Corporate Facilities projects:

- First Responders Campus;
- Council Chamber renovations at City Hall;
- Washroom renovations at City Hall;
- Space renovations on the 5th Floor of City Hall;
- Fire Station #3 on Big Bay Point Road;
- Dorian Parker Centre renovations at Sunnidale Park;
- Barrie Public Library Downtown Branch renovations;
- Allandale Historic Train Station renovations;
- Allandale Recreation Centre parking lot upgrades;
- Centennial Beach parking lot upgrades;
- Queens Park washroom renovations;
- Waterfront boardwalk rehabilitation;
- Marina Bayfield Basins upgrade;
- Marina Service Kiosk; and
- Painswick Library parking lot upgrades.

Ms. Worton also provided updates regarding new Corporate Facilities projects as follows:

- Fire Station #6;
- Hewitt's Creek Community Centre;
- Hewitt's Creek Branch Library; and
- The Waterfront Centre.

PRESENTATION BY MVT CANADIAN BUS INC.

Mr. D. Childs, Safety and Training Manager of MVT Canadian Bus Inc. provided a presentation regarding their transit services for the City of Barrie.

Mr. Childs discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The background and role of MVT Canadian Bus Inc. transportation services;
- The accessibility objectives of MVT Canadian Bus Inc.;
- An overview of the specialized public transit services provided by MVT Canadian Bus Inc.; and
- A review of specialized transit service statistics.

Members of the Committee asked several questions related to the information provided and received responses from the presenter.

SIMCOE MUSKOKA ACCESSIBILITY NETWORK - DISCUSSION

The Committee deferred this item to a future meeting.

ACCESS AWARENESS WEEK 2016 - DISCUSSION

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator provided an update regarding activities planned for the 2016 Access Awareness Week. Ms. Dillon noted that Access Awareness Week will be proclaimed by the Mayor at a meeting of City Council closer to the date and that a flag raising ceremony will also be scheduled. The Committee discussed events to further promote Access Awareness Week.

C. Dillon advised that she recently attended a County-wide Accessibility Advisory meeting hosted by Simcoe County. She commented that at this Accessibility Advisory meeting proposed activities for the 2017 Access Awareness Week were discussed.

AGE-FRIENDLY BARRIE COMMUNITY PLANNING PROJECT - UPDATE

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator noted that she will be attending the first meeting of the Steering Committee for the Age-Friendly Barrie Community Planning Project. She noted that an all-day community forum for the Age-Friendly Barrie Community Planning Project is scheduled for June 2016.

SHEAR PARK ACCESSIBILITY - UPDATE

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator provided an update regarding the Shear Park Accessibility improvements. Ms. Dillon reviewed construction timelines and noted that upgrades to Shear Park will include an accessible route through the Park. She commented that a community service group from the City of Barrie has expressed interest in donating to the Shear Park accessibility improvements.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

CHAIRMAN