

**Minutes - Final**  
**Accessibility Advisory Committee**

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Thursday, October 29, 2015

4:45 PM

Sir Robert Barrie Room

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**For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee of the City of Barrie on November 25, 2015**

**The Accessibility Advisory Committee met at 4:45 p.m. in the Sir Robert Barrie Room and the following were in attendance:**

**PRESENT:**

D. Taylor, Chair  
Councillor, S. Morales  
K. Demberline  
D. Lamont  
R. Meier  
D. St. Amand.

**STAFF:**

Accessibility Co-ordinator, C. Dillon  
Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard.

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

**VIDEO CHAT APPS FOR DEAF AND HEARING IMPAIRED**

R. Meier provided an update regarding video chat apps for the deaf and hearing impaired. Mr. Meier suggested that there are numerous video chat apps available that might be of assistance to those with deaf and hearing impairments. The Committee discussed the possibility of how these video chats apps could be utilized within City Services.

**AUDIBLE PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS DISCUSSION**

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator provided an update regarding Audible Pedestrian Signals. Ms. Dillon advised that she has received a couple of suggestions from community members about possible locations for audible pedestrian signals. The Committee members provided their suggestions regarding other possible locations for audible pedestrian signals.

**INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES DISCUSSION**

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator provided an update regarding International Day of Persons with Disabilities which takes place on December 3, 2015. Ms. Dillon commented that she is working with staff in the Mayor's Office to prepare a proclamation to have December 3, 2015 proclaimed as International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

Ms. Dillon announced that Alison Bobbette, a community member is the successful recipient of the Association of Municipal Clerks Treasurers of Ontario - AODA 10th Anniversary Champion Award. She noted that presentation of award to Ms. Bobbette will take place at future City Council meeting and that Committee members will be invited to attend.

**2016 ACCESSIBILITY FOR ONTARIANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. (AODA) COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS**

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator provided an update regarding the 2016 Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Compliance Requirements. Ms. Dillon noted that the City of Barrie is compliant with their design of open public spaces. She commented that the City of Barrie has been proactive in their approach to ensure the City meets the AODA requirements.

**The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.**

**CHAIRMAN**