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MISSISSAUGA ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2010 – 2:00 p.m.
PROGRAM ROOM 1, MISSISSAUGA VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE
1275 Mississauga Valley Boulevard, Mississauga, ON L5A 3R8

Members Present:

Naz Husain, Citizen Member (Vice-Chair)
Kristine Beavis, Citizen Member
Glenn Barnes, Citizen Member
Hans Bueschleb, Citizen Member
Clement Lowe, Citizen Member
Carol MacEachern, Citizen Member
Councillor Katie Mahoney, Ward 8

Members Absent:

Al Cormier, Stakeholder Member
Rabia Khedr, Citizen Member (Chair)
Councillor Pat Saito, Ward 9

Staff Present:

Lori-anne Bonham, Project Coordinator, Landscape Architecture
Jayne Culbert, Older Adult Coordinator
Lawrence Franklin, Urban Designer, Development & Design Division
Marian Kutarna, Acting Area Manager, Library Services
Raymond Lau, Roadway Programmer
Marian Matson, Supervisor, Building Inspection
Suzanne Noga, Acting Staffing & Development Consultant, Corporate HR
Finola Pearson, Public Affairs Specialist
Pamela Shanks, Corporate Policies Analyst
Diana Simpson, Accessibility Coordinator
Shawn Slack, Director, Customer and Business Services
Alana Tyers, Transit Planner
Pina Mancuso, Project Manager, Elections
Laura Wilson, Election Assistant
Adrian Walshaw, Co-op Student, Facilities & Property Management
Anna Liza La Rosa, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

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CALL TO ORDER- 2:07 pm

DECLARATIONS OF DIRECT (OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST- nil

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved (K. Beavis)

PRESENTATION

- A. Pina Mancuso, Project Manager, Elections, presented information with regard to Accessible Elections in the City of Mississauga; and Election Systems & Software provided elections equipment for testing by members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Ms. Mancuso reported that the City of Mississauga is ahead of the requirements of the province's Accessibility Standards and that accessible election units have been available in Mississauga before it was required under the provincial legislation. Ms. Mancuso advised that all elections workers are required to pass an accessibility test.

Elections Systems & Software demonstrated the use of the accessible elections units to be utilized in the Mississauga election. Ms. Mancuso reported that 22 accessible elections units will be available city-wide at the advanced polls. Ms. Mancuso advised that these units have been used extensively in the United States, and will be used by the City of Toronto and other 905- municipalities in the upcoming election.

Glenn Barnes, Citizen Member asked whether there was an opportunity for online voting in Mississauga. Ms. Mancuso indicated that there could be an opportunity for online voting in the future, but that further research must be completed and the electors and politicians must be comfortable with online voting before it is implemented.

Naz Husain, Citizen Member asked whether there would be advertising of the accessible voting units. Ms. Mancuso indicated that there would be some messaging from the Elections team and that the unit locations would be listed on the Mississauga Votes webpage, but that they are also looking to politicians and city staff to advertise the units.

Kristine Beavis, Citizen Member recommended that Ms. Mancuso approach Rogers Cable, the Weather Network, and City TV to advertise the accessible voting units in the City of Mississauga.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Minutes of the previous meeting – June 7, 2010.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the minutes of the June 7, 2010 Mississauga Accessibility Advisory Committee be hereby adopted.

Adopted
(G. Barnes)

NEW BUSINESS

ACCESSIBILITY FOR ONTARIANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 2005 (AODA) –
ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS

2. Accessible Transportation Standard/Accessible Employment Standard/
Accessible Information and Communications Standard

Diana Simpson, Accessibility Coordinator provided a verbal update on the Proposed Integrated Accessibility Regulation under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005.

Ms. Simpson indicated that the province listened to municipalities when it integrated all the remaining accessibility standards. Ms. Simpson reported that the regulation is brief and does not include any detailed requirements. Ms. Simpson advised that the province is trying to obtain informal public feedback by October 16, 2010.

Ms. Simpson advised that the various Standards Development Committees members representing the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) will meet at the AMO office to provide feedback on the integrated regulation on September 15, 2010, and that she would be in attendance at the meeting as a representative of AMO on the Accessible Built Environment Standards Development Committee.

Glenn Barnes outlined many issues with changes made to the Integrated Standard. Ms. Simpson indicated that she would forward Mr. Barnes' comments

at the meeting with AMO, but recommended that Mr. Barnes also provide feedback on the integrated regulation as a private citizen.

3. Ontario Regulation 429/07 - Accessible Customer Service Standard

No update at this time.

4. Accessible Built Environment Standard

Diana Simpson, Accessibility Coordinator provided a verbal update on the Accessible Built Environment Standards Development Committee Meeting #11 – May 25th and 26th, 2010. The final Proposed Accessible Built Environment Standard (July 2010) was posted on the Ministry's website.

Subcommittee Reports

5. Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee Report from the meeting of June 21, 2010

Ray Lau, Roadway Programmer advised that with regard to the Sheridan College Park Roadway, the City is not at the detail design stage yet, but will present the detail design to FADS, once complete.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee Report from the meeting of June 21, 2010 be supported. The report contained recommendations by the subcommittee as follows:

1. THAT the proposed design plans for the Sanford Farm Park, as presented by Stephanie Snow of Harrington McAvan Ltd., Landscape Architects to the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee at its meeting on June 21, 2010, be received for information;

2. AND THAT the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee is satisfied with the proposed concept as presented.

3. THAT the proposed concept for the Sheridan College Park Roadway as presented to the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee by Gord Murray of Stantec Consulting at its meeting on June 21, 2010, be received for information.

4. AND THAT while the Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee is satisfied with the proposed concept as presented, that the consultant be requested to investigate whether the installation of half-inch curbs or a differentiation in the street elevation can be implemented at the crosswalk locations on Square One

Drive.

Supported

Recommendation AAC-0026-2010 (H. Bueschleb)

6. Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee

Naz Husain, Citizen Member and Glenn Barnes, Citizen Member provided a verbal update on an Affordable Housing project located at Eglinton Avenue and Creditview Road. Ms. Husain reported that the Peel AAC was able to increase the number of accessible units in the 250-apartment building from one accessible unit and a few barrier-free apartments to 14 fully accessible apartments and 13 barrier-free apartments.

7. Pending Work Plan Items - September 13, 2010

RECOMMENDATION:

That the pending work plan items dated September 13, 2010 be received for information as presented.

Received

Recommendation AAC-0027-2010 (H. Bueschleb)

Items for Information

8. Article dated August 11, 2010 from the Toronto Star titled "Disability rights activist calls for shutdown of Presto".

RECOMMENDATION:

That the article dated August 11, 2010 from the Toronto Star titled "Disability rights activist calls for shutdown of Presto" be received for information.

Received

Recommendation AAC-0028-2010 (Councillor Mahoney)

9. Memorandum dated August 27, 2010 from Maureen Ellis, Public Affairs Specialist regarding the Fall Civic Recognition Evening on Tuesday, November 9, 2010.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Memorandum dated August 27, 2010 from Maureen Ellis, Public Affairs Specialist regarding the Fall Civic Recognition Evening on Tuesday, November 9, 2010 be received for information.

Received

Recommendation AAC-0029-2010 (Councillor Mahoney)

Date of Next Meeting(s):

Facility Accessibility Design Subcommittee on Monday, September 20, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in Committee Room D, Second Floor, Mississauga Civic Centre

Accessibility Advisory Committee on Monday, November 29, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in Program Room 1, Mississauga Valley Community Centre.

ADJOURNMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

That this meeting be adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

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APPROVED (G. Barnes)