



ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Wednesday, October 9, 2013
5:30 PM**

11th Fl. Learning Centre, City Hall



**Public Agenda
Accessibility Advisory Committee
Wednesday, October 9, 2013**

Approval of Public Agenda

Minutes of the meeting held on July 3, 2013

Communications

ACC13-30 Follow up on 2013 ACC Forum

Recommendation

That this item be received and filed.

ACC13-31 Update joint Learning Tour

Recommendation

That this item be received and filed.

ACC13-32 Discussion - Winter Operations (Snow Removal) (Winter Maintenance Policy)

Recommendation

That this item be received and filed.

ACC13-33 Update - SK Human Rights Commission - Achieving Equivalent, comparable, and Accessible Public Transportation - Stakeholder group

Recommendation

That this item be received and filed.

ACC13-34 Work Plan

Recommendation

That this item be received and filed.

Adjournment

AT REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN, WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 2013

AT A MEETING OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN PUBLIC SESSION

AT 5:30 PM

These are considered a draft rendering of the official minutes. Official minutes can be obtained through the Office of the City Clerk once approved.

Present: Michael Richter, in the Chair
Michelle Busch
Jennifer Cohen
Richard Harmon
Barbara Schmuland
Don Shalley
Pamela Snider
Sandra Palandri
Councillor John Findura

Regrets: Heather Petrychyn
Jacqueline Tisher

Also in Attendance: Committee Assistant, Linda Leeks
Manager, Paratransit & Accessibility, Lynette Griffin
Coordinator, Community Capacity Building, Bill Ursel

Following nomination procedures for the position of Vice-Chairperson, Michelle Busch was declared Vice-Chairperson of the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the duration of 2013.

Approval of Public Agenda

Jennifer Cohen moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the agenda for this meeting be approved, as submitted, after the addition of ACC13-29 - Update - Service Providers' meeting as URGENT BUSINESS to be considered as the first item of business under Communications.

Minutes of the meeting held on May 1, 2013.

Richard Harmon moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the minutes for the meeting held on May 1, 2013 be adopted.

Other Reports

ACC13-28 SK Human Rights Commission - Achieving Equivalent, Comparable, and Accessible Public Transportation in the City of Regina: A Report to Stakeholders

Recommendation

That this item be received and filed.

Richard Harmon moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that Jennifer Cohen be appointed to represent the ACC at the SHRC Stakeholder group meetings.

Tabled Communications

ACC13-25 Update CUTA Conference

Recommendation

That this item be received and filed.

Barbara Schmuland moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that this item be received and filed.

Communications

ACC13-29 Update - Saskatchewan Service Providers' meeting - May 23, 2013

Jennifer Cohen moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that this item be received and filed.

Tabled Communications

ACC13-22 Work Plan - item #3 working group update - Terms of Reference

Recommendation

That this item be received and filed.

Jennifer Cohen moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the working group forward the completed suggested updates to the Deputy City Clerk by August 15, 2013 for information to be included regarding the Committee Structure Review.

ACC13-23 "Leisure Without Limits" Forum Event update

Recommendation

That this item be received and filed.

Barbara Schmuland moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that this item be received and filed.

ACC13-24 Discussion - joint Learning Tour ACC & VIRN

Recommendation

That arrangements be made through Community Development, Recreation and Parks for a Learning Tour to a designated community which demonstrates use of Audible Pedestrian Signals, Tactile Markers, a transit announcement system and other mobility modifications to increase access opportunities for persons with disabilities and that any expenses for the tour be paid by Community Development, Recreation and Parks in the

following manner: One delegate from the Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACC), one delegate from the Vision Impaired Resource Network (VIRN) and the Coordinator, Community Capacity Building.

Barbara Schmuland moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that Michelle Busch be approved as the ACC delegate to participate in the ACC/VIRN Learning Tour to be scheduled for the fall of 2013.

Administration Reports

ACC13-27 2013 Accessibility Forum Report

Recommendation

That this report be considered by the Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACC) during the development of its annual work plan.

Richard Harmon moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the recommendation contained in the report be concurred in after adding recommendation #2 as follows:

That at the next meeting the committee review further detailed action items from data collected at the forum.

Tabled Communications

ACC13-26 Work Plan

Recommendation

That this item be received and filed.

Barbara Schmuland moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that this item be received and filed.

Adjournment

Sandra Palandri moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary

Memo

October 9, 2013

To: Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACC)

Re: Follow up on ACC Forum

RECOMMENDATION

That this communication be received and filed.

BACKGROUND

Administration will update the committee on the feedback gathered from the ACC Forum, ‘Leisure without Limits.’ The goal will be to identify next steps and gather feedback on how we will proceed.

Respectfully submitted,

David Slater
Community Consultant, Social Development

October 9, 2013

To: Members,
Accessibility Advisory Committee

Re: Update – Learning Tour

The purpose of this communication is to allow Michelle Busch the opportunity to provide the committee with an oral update regarding the upcoming joint Learning Tour.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Leeks".

Linda Leeks, Secretary
Accessibility Advisory Committee

October 9, 2013

To: Members,
Accessibility Advisory Committee

Re: Discussion - Winter Operations (Snow Removal) (Winter Maintenance Policy)

The purpose of this communication is to allow an opportunity for Jennifer Cohen to initiate a discussion around Winter Operations (Snow Removal) for bus stops, curb cuts.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Leeks".

Linda Leeks, Secretary
Accessibility Advisory Committee

October 9, 2013

To: Members,
Accessibility Advisory Committee

Re: Update – SK Human Rights Commission – Achieving Equivalent, Comparable, and
Accessible Public Transportation in the City of Regina - Stakeholder group

The purpose of this communication is to allow for an update from Jennifer Cohen regarding the SHRC stakeholder group meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Leeks".

Linda Leeks, Secretary
Accessibility Advisory Committee

October 9, 2013

To: Members,
Accessibility Advisory Committee

Re: Review of 2012 Work Plan

The purpose of this communication is to facilitate the review of the progress report and provide an opportunity for further discussion, if required. Attached for reference is the current 2012 Work Plan including progress to date.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Leeks".

Linda Leeks, Secretary
Accessibility Advisory Committee

Accessibility Advisory Committee 2012 Work Plan

<i>Deliverable (What)</i>	<i>Action(How)</i>	<i>Resources (Who)</i>	<i>Participate/Lead</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Start/Complete Date (When)</i>
1. Accessibility Forum	Establish working group to decide on topics	All	Lead		Update by D. Shalley & working group Dec. 2012 Forum will be held spring of 2013. Draft on forum agenda will be provided at the Feb. meeting.
2. APS/Pedestrian Ramps - Sidewalk repair	-Review City policies/bylaws -Research other cities including Saskatoon -Seek input from others stakeholders (ie: CNIB) Listing of areas for repair	All	Lead		Oral report presentation by field staff October 2012 Curb-cuts concrete update report by J. Cohen – Dec. 2012 Sidewalk repair presentation/listing Feb. – May 2013
3. Terms of Reference	Establish a working group to review and provide recommendations to City Council	All	Lead		Draft of updates will be forwarded to Deputy City Clerk by Aug. 15/13.
4. Communication Strategy	Establish a working group to implement a snow removal week similar to the accessible parking week (help your neighbour campaign)	All	Lead		Fall 2012 – Accessible Parking Awareness Week SnowFighters Program

Accessibility Advisory Committee 2012 Work Plan

- Transportation/paratransit develop a strategy to address the shortfall in the lack of capacity and options – (i.e.. 1. mobility devices-paratransit or nothing 2. Sunday bus service)
Pedestrian Traffic
 - from the Accessibility forum – Pedestrian access ramps assistance from committee
 - curb cuts
 - Audible light signals
 - Communication Strategy
 - i.e.. When departments prepare reports the Accessibility Implications section should be clarified to say something like Barriers to Access
 - Enhance City Department and committee relationship vis-à-vis special attention to OCP. With a better success rate than Design Regina.
 - Communicate more with a wide variety of people from all walks of life.
 - Need a mechanism to have committee involved before phase 4 of the plan
 - Need to change mindset when dealing with issues such as Paratransit and the 2500/month callers that are unable to secure a ride. Mindset currently is “that’s too bad” – mindset to use should be “let’s fix it”
- Additional notes:
 - Community Involvement
 - Parking
 - Snow Angels/Fighters
 - Awareness so the community can get involved
 - Report illegal parking such as (RID)
 - Parking enforcement on private property such as malls, parkades and office buildings
 - Abuse of parking permits
 - APS signals
 - Paratransit and Transit
 - Enforcement (Bigtime)
 - Plaza and plaza traffic
 - Infrastructure
 - Accessibility and signage
 - Snow Removal
 - Curb cuts
 - Define the accessibility implications definition in City - Reports (this should be the first title)
 - Road demarking degradation
 - Sidewalks
 - Short term goals (frustrated) 5-10 year plans or larger
 - *Want to be involved in 2013 committee structure review