

# MINUTES OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday March 30, 2022 Via Zoom

Note: Meeting was originally scheduled for March 23, 2022, and was postponed to this date.

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Members Present: Councillor J. Hurst, Chair, J. Bray, K. Heffernan, C. Licznerski,

M. Lowe, L. McKenzie

Regrets: Councillor W. Farrow-Reed, D. Sebalj, J. Pearce

Staff Present: D. Locey, Transit Supervisor; R. Brown, Deputy Clerk

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor J. Hurst, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

#### 2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

#### 3. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

## 3.a Update to Paratransit and Conventional Transit Services

D. Locey provided the committee with an update on the Specialized Transit and Conventional Transit Services. She advised the committee that the Specialized Transit Plan was approved in June 2021 and covers until 2031. The plan contains short term and long-term recommendations including cross boundary linkages and connections such as; Milton, Oakville, Mississauga, Brampton and Guelph. These connections and linkages will allow users to transfer from Halton Hills to other municipal transit options improving connectivity and accessibility for Halton Hills registered ActiVan users.

The most requested connections were for Milton and Oakville and specifically for Oakville Hospital, Milton Hospital and Credit Valley Hospital. The recommendations note the best locations for the connections to occur between the different transit systems.

In November 2021 a pilot project commenced that will end June 2022 to provide an ActiVan shuttle service to Oakville Trafalgar Hospital. This pilot project has resulted in 672 trips to date to this location, and services Halton District School Board students using the service to participate in programming at the hospital.

D. Locey will continue to update the committee on specialized and conventional transit services and improvements to services.

## 3.b Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Update

E. Kaiser provided written update that was shared with the committee about the status of the Community Improvement Plan. The Draft Plan is currently available on the Let's Talk Halton Hills platform for public comment and questions. The committee was advised that if they have any comments on the plan or questions that they can provide those through the Let's Talk platform or by emailing Erin Kaiser at <a href="mailto:ekaiser@haltonhills.ca">ekaiser@haltonhills.ca</a> A Public Meeting is being held on April 11, 2022 if anyone is interested in attending or participating. The final report to approve the Community Improvement Plan is expected to go before Council in early summer.

## 3.c Verbal Update

Councillor J. Hurst advised that on behalf of the Committee he applied to the Halton Hills Sports Hall of Fame to have former member Barb Montemurro inducted and that the application was successful, Barb will be inducted on June 9, 2022, as one of four new inductees.

## 4. SUB-COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

NIL

## 5. CLOSED SESSION

NIL

#### 6. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.