

MINUTES OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday November 22, 2023, Via Zoom

Members Present: Councillor M. Albano, Chair, Councillor D. Keene, L. McKenzie,

J. Pearce, S. Calvert

Regrets: J. Bray, W. Farrow-Reed

Staff Present: R. Brown, Deputy Clerk – Administration, H. Beaumont,

Recreation Supervisor – Hillsview Georgetown, J. Middleton, facility Supervisor – Acton Arena, T. Forbes, Facility Supervisor –

Gellert, A. Matthews, Director of Facilities

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor M. Albano, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

1.a Welcome New Member Sarah Calvert to the Committee

Councillor M. Albano, Chair welcomed Sarah Calvert to the committee.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

2.a S. Calvert - Funding for Renovations to the Welcome Desk at Hillsview Active Living Centre – Georgetown

S. Calvert declared a potential conflict of interest as she is a member of the Hillsview Active Living Centre – Georgetown and assisted in the preparation of the requests for funding from the Federal and Provincial Accessibility Grant Programs. She did vote on this matter.

3. RECEIPT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.a Minutes of the Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held on September 13, 2023.

Recommendation No. HHAAC-2023-0010

THAT the Minutes of the Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held on September 13, 2023 be received.

CARRIED

4. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

4.a Funding for Renovations to the Welcome Desk at Hillsview Active Living Centre - Georgetown

H. Beaumont provided a brief overview of the project noting its importance in providing accessibility for members attending the facility as well as making the desk accessible for those members to volunteer at the center as well. H. Beaumont noted that they were unsuccessful in their attempts to get funding from Federal and Provincial accessibility grants.

Recommendation No. HHAAC-2023-0011

THAT the committee approves funding for renovation of the Welcome Desk at Hillsview Active Living Centre - Georgetown in the amount of \$17,000 (+HST) to be taken from the Municipal Accessibility Plan Capital Project Account.

CARRIED

4.b Funding Request - Power Doors for Hillsview Active Living Centre - Acton and Acton Arena

J. Middleton provided the committee with a brief overview of the project noting the need for these doors to improve accessibility in the facility for not just members of Hillsview but for all people using the facility.

Recommendation No. HHAAC-2023-0012

THAT the committee approves funding for Push Button Doors at Hillsview Active Living Centre - Acton in the amount of \$12,000 (+HST) to be taken from the Municipal Accessibility Plan Capital Project Account.

CARRIED

4.c Whisper Quiet Hand Dryers in Town Facilities

T. Forbes reviewed the report with the committee noting that the recommendation by staff at this time is not to change the Town's the existing hand dryers as they are quieter than the new hand dryers that are listed as whisper quiet. The committee discussed balancing sound, efficiency and health and asked staff if they can continue to monitor the situation and report back to the committee when the technology improves.

Recommendation No. HHAAC-2023-0013

THAT the committee receive the report;

AND FURTHER THAT staff report back to the committee when there are improvements in the technology.

CARRIED

4.d 2024 Meeting Schedule - HHAAC

Recommendation No. HHAAC-2023-0014

THAT the committee approves the Halton Hills Accessibility Committee 2024 Meeting Calendar.

CARRIED

5. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING

Transportation Update - AODA Signals

Recreation Update - AODA Features in Facilities

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.