



TOWN OF AURORA ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, March 2, 2016

Time and Location: 7 p.m., Leksand Room, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: Tyler Barker (Chair), John Lenchak (Vice Chair), Gordon Barnes (departed 8:35 p.m.), James Hoyes, Jo-anne Spitzer, and Councillor Sandra Humfryes (arrived 7:30 p.m.)

Member(s) Absent: None

Other Attendees: Chris Catania, Accessibility Advisor, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Gordon Barnes
Seconded by John Lenchak

THAT the agenda as circulated by Legal and Legislative Services be approved.

CARRIED

3. RECEIPT OF THE MINUTES

Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 3, 2016

Moved by Gordon Barnes
Seconded by James Hoyes

THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 3, 2016, be received for information.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

(a) David Heard, Resident
**Re: Organizations Contracted with Town re Accessibility/
Accommodations**

Committee consented to consider Delegation (a) following consideration of Item 1.

Mr. Heard spoke about invisible disabilities and expressed concern regarding any group or organization that rents, leases, or contracts with the Town, who does not abide by applicable legislation for persons with disabilities. He suggested that a policy be implemented to encourage compliance and inclusivity. Mr. Heard also noted that April 2, 2016, is World Autism Awareness Day, and he would be conducting a ghost tour on April 2, starting at 7 p.m. from 34 Berczy Street, with all proceeds going to Kerry's Place Autism Services.

Moved by Gordon Barnes
Seconded by John Lenchak

THAT the delegation of David Heard be received for information.

CARRIED

5. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Memorandum from Accessibility Advisor
**Re: Annex H Guide for Accessible Playspaces in Canada and James
Lloyd Park Accessible Considerations**

Staff provided background to the Annex H Guide and an overview of the proposed James Lloyd Park layout and accessibility components. The Committee discussed aspects of the proposed playground and expressed concern regarding the number of elevated play features and the need for further information.

Moved by John Lenchak
Seconded by James Hoyes

THAT the memorandum regarding Annex H Guide for Accessible Playspaces in Canada and James Lloyd Park Accessible Considerations be received; and

THAT the following Accessibility Advisory Committee comments be considered by staff:

- Suggestion that the CAN/CSA-Z614 Annex H guidelines be considered in the construction of new playspaces and the reformatting of existing playspaces;
- Suggestion to include a ground-level scooping feature in James Lloyd Park; and
- Request for more information including detailed design of the surrounding areas, curb cuts and access points, and whether the local schools were consulted and given the opportunity to provide input.

CARRIED

2. Memorandum from Planner

**Re: Site Plan Application, 2450290 Ontario Inc., 32 Don Hillock Drive
Part of Lot 2, Registered Plan 65M-3974, File No. SP-2016-02**

Staff gave an overview of the proposed site plan and accessibility components. The Committee expressed concerns regarding the accessible parking spaces and barrier-free access to each unit of the proposed multi-tenant office building.

Moved by Councillor Humfries
Seconded by John Lenchak

THAT the memorandum regarding Site Plan Application, 2450290 Ontario Inc., 32 Don Hillock Drive, Part of Lot 2, Registered Plan 65M-3974, File No. SP-2016-02, be received; and

THAT the following Accessibility Advisory Committee comments be considered by staff:

- Suggestion to add three (3) accessible parking spaces along the south side of the building; and
- Suggestion to include automatic door openers into each unit.

CARRIED

3. Memorandum from Planner

Re: Application for Site Plan Amendment, Gineve Inc., 250 Don Hillock Drive, Plan 65M-3974, Lot 9, File No. SP-2016-03

Staff presented an overview of the proposed site plan amendment. The Committee expressed concerns regarding the location and safety risk of the two accessible parking spaces at the southeast corner of the proposed industrial building.

**Moved by John Lenchak
Seconded by Jo-anne Spitzer**

THAT the memorandum regarding Application for Site Plan Amendment, Gineve Inc., 250 Don Hillock Drive, Plan 65M-3974, Lot 9, File No. SP-2016-03, be received; and

THAT the following Accessibility Advisory Committee comments be considered by staff:

- Suggestion to relocate the two accessible parking spaces at the southeast corner of the building further west to space #38, away from the corner;
- Suggestion to remove the two parking spaces at the bottom southeast corner of the site to allow for a greater truck turning radius; and
- Suggestion to include automatic door openers into each unit.

CARRIED

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

4. Extract from Council Meeting of January 26, 2016

Re: Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of December 2, 2015

**Moved by John Lenchak
Seconded by James Hoyes**

THAT the Extract from Council Meeting of January 26, 2016, regarding the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes of December 2, 2015, be received for information.

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

Staff and the Committee welcomed new Committee member Jo-anne Spitzer.

The Committee requested that the subject matter of Delegation (a) regarding accessibility accommodations in respect to organizations engaged with the Town be included on the agenda of the April Committee meeting.

The Committee requested that the subject of the 2016 National Access Awareness Week be included on the agenda of the April Committee meeting.

Updates were provided regarding the Aurora Family Leisure Complex north door access and automatic door openers.

The Committee agreed to reschedule the April meeting from April 6 to Wednesday, April 13, 2016, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by John Lenchak
Seconded by James Hoyes

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NOT BINDING ON THE TOWN UNLESS
ADOPTED BY COUNCIL AT A LATER MEETING.