

Attendees: Keith Falconer, Chair  
 Terence Arvisais, Vice Chair  
 Councillor O'Connell  
 Don Tierney  
 Stephen Little  
 Aisha Heywood  
 Sue Wilkinson  
 Don Dorward  
 Donna Manning  
 Prem Noronha-Waldriff

Absent: Tanya Logan  
 Jacob Yacoumidis  
 Ida Fogo  
 Lisa Harker, Recording Secretary

Item/ Ref #	Details & Discussion & Conclusion (summary of discussion)	Action Items/Status (include deadline as appropriate)
1.	<b>Welcome</b>	
	Keith welcomed all members.	
2.	<b>Adoption of Minutes: March 2, 2011</b>	
	<b>Moved: Sue W.</b> <b>Second: Terry A.</b> <b>Carried</b>	
3.	<b>Accessible Taxicabs in the City of Pickering</b>	
	Kevin Narraway, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer spoke to the committee with regards to Accessible Taxicab service in the city. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The City currently licenses 3 accessible taxicabs</li> <li>• Taxicab industry has put 2 additional taxicabs into service for a total of 5.</li> <li>• This represents 1:19,000 residents currently.</li> </ul> He distributed a brief survey for members to complete: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Do you use accessible taxicabs?</li> <li>2. Do you find the current service acceptable?</li> <li>3. Do you find the wait times acceptable?</li> </ol>	

	<p>4. Should the number of licensed taxicabs be increased?</p> <p>5. What barriers present a barrier to on-demand accessible taxicab service?</p> <p>He thanked the Committee for their input.</p>	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Accessibility Awareness Event: Nov. 5/11</b>	
	<p>Prem confirmed details for the 1st Accessibility Awareness Event:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Date: Sat. Nov. 5, 2011</li> <li>- Time: 11 am – 3 pm</li> <li>- Location: Pickering Town Center</li> </ul> <p>Event to coincide with the 25<sup>th</sup> Rick Hanson Anniversary Relay. Rick Hanson is expected to make a brief appearance at the event. For full details on the Rick Hansen relay, google: Rick Hansen 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Relay</p> <p>Event to include speakers / performers / displays</p> <p>Line up to include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mayor, council</li> <li>2. Lieutenant Governor David C. Onley</li> <li>3. Rick Hansen</li> <li>4. Performers, looking at musician Justin Hines</li> <li>5. Robert Pio Hajjar – motivational speaker – google idealway for more information.</li> <li>6. Lions Foundation of Canada, guide dog demo</li> <li>7. Durham Regional Police – speaking about the DRP Children’s Games</li> </ol>	<p>Prem / Jody Morris to meet with PTC to confirm details of event.</p> <p>Committee to confirm speaker / display line up.</p> <p>Prem to confirm event budget / provide to Councillor O’Connell for sponsorship opportunities.</p>
<b>5.</b>	<b>2011 Work Plan</b>	
	<p>Committee discussed various items as brought forward by Stephen Little and Sue Wilkinson:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Understand how the City Works: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review accessible parking by laws and other appropriate by laws that impact persons with a disability / accessibility in Pickering</li> <li>- Develop / or change the present standard for curb cuts</li> <li>- Construction practices regulated / purchased by the City (sidewalks / standards / by laws / snow clearing)</li> <li>- Review site plan checklist and standards associated with currently being developed by City Planning staff.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Understand more about residents with disabilities, and where they live:</li> </ol>	<p>AAC to review with by law staff.</p> <p>AAC to review with Operations staff.</p> <p>AAC to meet with Tyler Barnett to review</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Create a survey to obtain feedback from the Pickering Community on how accessible Pickering is, and what are the issues they face.</li>   <li>- Coordinate an Accessibility Awareness Day</li>   <li>- Complete a physical inventory of Pickering to assist Council in identifying specific areas/issues that need to be addressed within the physical / built environment.</li> <li>- Review of strip malls in Pickering – identify deficiencies and cost to make accessible.</li> <li>- Develop rating system for restaurants etc</li> <li>- Each member of the AAC to adopt a disability and develop an expertise in said disability to better represent each group.</li> <li>- Set up display at various City special events this summer</li>   <li>3. Generate discussion on issues and solutions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Build partnerships with other AAC's in Durham, to better understand common issues, and learn from their successes while utilizing successful approaches to accessibility issues.</li> <li>- Organize an access challenge with the new council</li> <li>- Prioritize on the basis of where people actually live</li> <li>- Go to Council more often to keep Accessibility front and center.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Sue Wilkinson to develop survey for AAC review.</p> <p>Prem to work with IT to put online.</p> <p>Nov 5, 2011 at the PTC</p> <p>Canada Day, Waterfront Concerts – at Millennium Square and in Esplanade</p> <p>AAC to attend Regional Forum on May 30<sup>th</sup></p>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Other Business</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No response from invitation to Durham Deaf Association to attend ACC meeting and give a presentation.</li>   <li>- Councillor O'Connell spoke to Regional resolution to the Province to include persons with disabilities in its time of day electricity pricing. AAC to send same resolution to Pickering Council for endorsement.</li>   <li>- Councillor O'Connell provided brief overview of the new pedestrian bridge – bridge was connected but had no elevator – has now so more accessible.</li>   <li>- Keith Falconer advised that Gwelda MacDonald Tuttle has resigned from the AAC, and thanked her for her</li> </ul>	

	<p>contributions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- AAC name tags were distributed. Don Dorward did not receive.</li></ul>	
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Meeting Adjourned: 8:57 pm

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