



**Accessibility Advisory Committee**

May 23, 2007

7:00 PM

Pickering Recreation Complex – Meeting Room 2

Attendees: Kelly Collins  
 Aisha Nathifa Heywood  
 Zoia Horne  
 Prem Noronha Waldriff  
 Stephen Little  
 Garry Cuthbert  
 Deborah Welling  
 Lisa Broad (Recording Secretary)

Absent: Lori Murray  
 Councillor Bonnie Littley

<b>Item / Ref #</b>	<b>Details &amp; Discussion &amp; Conclusion</b> <i>(summary of discussion)</i>	<b>Action Items / Status</b> <i>(include deadline as appropriate)</i>
<b>1.0</b>	<b>Welcome</b>	<b>Kelly Collins, Chair</b>
	Chair Kelly Collins advised the Committee that Chuck Moulton has had to resign from the Committee due to health problems.	
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Adoption of Minutes – April 25, 2007</b>	<b>All</b>
	Motion by Kelly Collins Seconded by Garry Cuthbert	
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Oshawa Accessibility Forum Update – May 7, 2007</b>	<b>Zoia Horne</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feels privileged to have participated in such a forum.</li> <li>• Three (3) main points of the forum – public awareness (we should all start to prepare material to present to the public), education (it's about attitude, people should not be treated as "special"), legislation that Ontario should become fully accessible by 2012 (we should seek liaisons with representatives that are working to improve the quality of accessible lives).</li> <li>• Showed all of the flyers that she brought back from the forum and described what each of them educated on.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can we change views and attitudes? Time to begin campaigning and teaching developers/companies, to review their attitudes.</li> <li>• Showed Oshawa’s Accessibility Advisory Committee Design Standards booklet as something to inspire us.</li> <li>• We should use this book to help us create our workplan.</li> <li>• People with disabilities should have access to all recreational facilities for a lower fee.</li> <li>• Kelly wants to get more copies made of the Accessibility Design Standards manual from Oshawa.</li> <li>• Garry asked if we could put this information on our webpage.</li> </ul>	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Site Plan Review – Interra Lands S15/05(R07)</b>	<b>All</b>
	<p>Stephen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not a lot of information to go on to make any real input/comments. Can tell that it’s townhouses – quite congested. No real accommodations for people with disabilities.</li> <li>• Is this part of Pickering’s intensification program? If yes, then there will be more and more of these plans. No cross-section of what the units look like – hard to tell what the units look like and if they will be accessible at all. Minimal place to accommodate visitors.</li> </ul> <p>Zoia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Would like to see exact proposed location of this site plan – a clearer plan to see parking spots, etc.</li> </ul> <p>Site plan S04/07 – Dog Daycare and Boarding Facility, Part of Lot 2, Concession 5, 3325 Highway No. 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appears as though they are proposing an additional building.</li> <li>• No disabled parking spots (6 commercial spaces, require at least 1 accessible spot).</li> </ul>	
<b>5.0</b>	<b>2007 Workplan</b>	<b>All</b>
	<p>List of priorities for next year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brochure</li> <li>• Lift at Eastshore \$20,000</li> <li>• \$8,000 to fix the front of Claremont</li> <li>• \$22,000 remains</li> <li>• Petticoat Creek Community Centre – Stephen thinks that would be a good to buy a hearing device for those that are</li> </ul>	

	<p>hard of hearing to use (\$4-5,000 a piece).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prem – there is a hearing device at the Civic centre that doesn't really ever get used so how much use will it really be used if we purchase one?</li> <li>• Kim Kranc – Lisa to follow up with her regarding if there have been any requests for hearing devices. Have seniors expressed an interest? Can the cost be split with the Seniors Capital Budget?</li> <li>• \$2,500 for accessible elevator platform for Don Beer Arena at each of the rinks. Which rinks are we discussing?</li> <li>• The Committee suggests leaving the rest of the money for the City of Pickering to determine priorities for remaining \$17,000.</li> <li>• The committee will keep \$3,000 for advertising/Committee use.</li> <li>• Lack of accessibility design standards in the Site Plan Design Standards. What stage is this draft at? Lisa to follow up with Tyler Barnett.</li> <li>• Stephen – suggests spending some money to hire a student or engaging a student in a project this summer. This project could be designed around accessibility needs.</li> <li>• Zoia – suggests getting a few minutes on the radio or TV to promote our Committee and objectives.</li> <li>• Zoia – concerned with the lack of public participation.</li> <li>• Aisha - Disability awareness – is there anything that is occurring that we can key into to promote ourselves and advertise us as a resource to the media?</li> <li>• Deborah – is concerned that she doesn't see seniors being represented on this Committee.</li> <li>• Aisha – we need to define what we mean by accessibility. On our flyer, accessibility should be defined.</li> <li>• Lori and Zoia to get together to create a draft for this flyer and then to bring to the next meeting.</li> <li>• Workplan – Lisa to find out how to put in formal process to present to council.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Lisa to action.</b></p> <p><b>Lisa to action.</b></p> <p><b>Len to action.</b></p> <p><b>Lisa to action.</b></p> <p><b>Lori and Zoia to action.</b> <b>Lisa to action.</b></p>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Other Business &amp; Adjournment</b>	<b>All</b>
	<p>Stephen – Inquired about the Accessible Pedestrian signals – when will we have a follow up? Lisa to follow up with Mike Pelzowski and the CNIB.</p> <p>Also inquired as to whom is responsible for curbs and curb cutting. Suggests that whoever is responsible should be a visitor at our next meeting. To discuss;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The making of new sidewalks – what is helpful for</li> </ul>	<p><b>Lisa to action.</b></p>

	<p>someone with a disability?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How often does inspection occur? Is there a set inspection process or do they wait for complaints?</li> <li>• Do you have any information on the long-term effects of curb and roadway shifting and how to mitigate this shifting? How are they designed so that they can last for years?</li> </ul> <p>Lisa to follow up.</p> <p>Motion to adjourn Garry Cuthbert Seconded Zoia Horne</p>	<p><b>Lisa to action.</b></p>
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• June 27, 2007.</li> <li>• Alternate location to be determined.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Prem to action</b></p>

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.