



**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF PEEL  
ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

Members Present:	C. Belleth C. Chafe R. Chopra P. Crawford-Dickinson M. Daniel	N. Husain N. Iannicca A. Karim I. Sinclair M. Tymkow
Members Absent:	P. Fortini A. Groves M. Mahoney	
Staff Present	G. Kent, Chief Financial Officer and Commissioner of Corporate Services A. Smith, Chief Planner S. Baird, Commissioner of Human Services N. Polsinelli, Commissioner of Health Services A. Adams, Regional Clerk and Director of Legislative Services	J. Jackson, Director, Office of Culture and Inclusion C. Thomson, Deputy Clerk and Manager of Legislative Services S. Jurrius, Committee Clerk R. Khan, Legislative Technical Coordinator S. MacGregor, Legislative Assistant

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Raj Chopra, Committee Chair, called the Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting to order on September 15, 2022 at 1:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Regional Administrative Headquarters, 10 Peel Centre Drive. Members of the Committee and staff participated electronically.

*Councillor Mahoney was absent due to other municipal business*

*Councillor Fortini was absent due to a personal matter*

*Councillor Groves was absent due to other municipal business*

*Regional Chair Iannicca arrived at 1:33 p.m.*

**2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**RECOMMENDATION AAC-7-2022:**

*That the agenda for the September 15, 2022 Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting, be approved.*

#### **4. DELEGATIONS**

##### **4.1 Bijan Naveh, Project Manager, Anita Yu, Senior Associate, Turner Fleischer Architects; and Anthony Di Santo, Manager of Development, FRAM Slokker**

Regarding Brightwater Redevelopment in Port Credit Mississauga (Related to 5.1)

**Received**

Anita Yu, Senior Associate, Turner Fleischer Architects; and Anthony Di Santo, Manager of Development, FRAM Slokker, provided an overview of the Brightwater Redevelopment and highlighted key accessibility features and design components including circulation features; common spaces and amenities; barrier free units; and barrier free kitchens and kitchenettes.

Members of Committee provided suggestions and accessibility considerations related to: the placement of handrails; accessible laundry spaces; colour contrast considerations; tactile indicators in front of the elevators; use of the dynamic symbol in signage; accessible seating in vestibules; placement and varying height for coat hooks and light switches; lighting lux and intensity; placement of garbage receptacles; audio and visual emergency alarm indicators; fully equipped kitchen cabinets; landscape maintenance, set-backs and overgrowth; pet and service animal relieving stations; micro-mobility and EV charging stations; affordability; additional accessible parking spaces; aging in place and universal design considerations.

Anita Yu, Senior Associate, Turner Fleischer Architects stated that feedback received from the committee would be brought back to the project team for discussion and consideration.

In response to a question from Committee member Husain regarding the use of the Region of Peel accessibility features guidelines, Veronica Montesdeoca, Accessibility Planning Specialist, advised that the Region of Peel guidelines are outdated and that staff utilized, in addition to other pieces of legislation, the CMHC National Housing Co-Investment Fund Environmental & Accessibility Requirements for new construction design guidelines for the project.

Marwan Kassay, Housing Development Project Manager, stated that Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation funding requires that 21 per cent of units be fully barrier-free, and that the entire project site be universally designed.

#### **5. REPORTS**

##### **5.1 Port Credit West Village – Brightwater Building D Accessibility Features**

(Related to 4.1)

**RECOMMENDATION AAC-8-2022:**

*That the report from the Commissioner of Human Services, listed on the September 15, 2022 Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee agenda titled "Port Credit West Village – Brightwater Building D Accessibility Features" be referred back to staff to report to a future meeting with an update on the accessibility features.*

In response to questions from Members, Juliet Jackson, Director, Office of Culture and Inclusion, stated that site plans must comply with the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* and that the extent of the Committees' authority is to confirm compliance and provide recommendations for consideration.

Staff undertook to report back to a future meeting of the Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee to provide an update on the Brightwater affordable housing project accessibility features.

Item 6.1 was dealt with.

## **6. COMMUNICATIONS**

### **6.1 Veronica Montesdeoca, Specialist, Accessibility Planning, Office of Culture and Inclusion**

Email dated July 11, 2022, Regarding the Site Plan Review Process at the Region of Peel (Receipt recommended)

**Received**

Veronica Montesdeoca, Accessibility Planning Specialist, spoke to the current site plan review process at the Region of Peel and the challenges experienced in the past when a subcommittee was utilized as part of the site plan review process. She outlined the Accessibility Advisory Committee's mandate for site plan review under the AODA as an advisory body and noted that in addition, the Region of Peel seeks input on the internal design components of a project.

Members of the Committee requested that the Paramedics satellite station Accessibility Features Checklist be reviewed and updated to reference current AODA and other legislated accessibility requirements. In addition, the Committee requested that staff review the time allotted for site plan review during Committee meetings to allow for thorough review and discussion.

## **5. REPORTS**

### **5.2 Accessibility Planning Program Update – September 15, 2022**

(For information)

**Received**

Veronica Montesdeoca, Accessibility Planning Specialist, provided an update on the work of the Accessibility Planning Program to date. The Committee was advised of the fourth legislative review of the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (AODA) and members were encouraged to provide feedback and

input on how the Province continues to further accessibility for people with disabilities.

**6. COMMUNICATIONS**

**6.2 Raymond Cho, Minister of Seniors and Accessibility**

Email dated August 2, 2022, Responding to a Letter from Regional Chair Iannicca, Congratulating Minister Cho on his Re-Appointment as Minister of Seniors and Accessibility (Receipt recommended)

**Received**

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

Nil.

**8. NEXT MEETING**

To be determined.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.