



City of Maple Ridge
Municipal Advisory Committee on
Accessibility and Inclusiveness
MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 16, 2022 Regular Meeting

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness (MACAI), held via Zoom teleconference on June 16, 2022 at 4:30 pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Chelsa Meadus
Don Mitchell
Katie Sullivan
Kim McLennan, Vice Chair
Carolina Echeverri
Alex Ward, Chair

Council Liaison, City of Maple Ridge
Member at Large, Maple Ridge
School District 42 Board Trustee
Fraser Health Representative
Family Education and Support Centre Representative
Member at Large, Maple Ridge

STAFF PRESENT

Tony Cotroneo
Patrick Hlavac-Winsor

Acting Staff Liaison/Manager of Community Engagement
General Counsel and Executive Director, Legislative Service

ABSENT

Petra Frederick

Staff Liaison, Community Engagement Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2022-MACAI-008

It was moved and seconded

That the agenda for the June 16, 2022 Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness Regular Meeting be approved with an amendment to add Item 5.4 correspondence from Terri Peacock.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R/2022-MACAI-009

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness Regular Meeting dated April 21, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Local Immigration Partnership Council (overview) – Carolina Echeverri

C. Echeverri discussed various resources available for newcomers as well as the website: ridgemeanowsnewcomers.com

4.2 PRC Master Plan – Tony Cotroneo

T. Cotroneo updated on the PRC Master Plan and website and answered questions from the group about various means the public and Committee can engage during the engagement process.

5. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Community Based Financial Access Programs – Tony Cotroneo

T. Cotroneo spoke to the correspondence received from Terri Peacock and provided information regarding financial access programs.

5.2 Seniors Housing/Homelessness – Councillor Meadus

C. Meadus discussed various resources regarding Seniors Housing/Homelessness for the Senior's Housing Table to collate and potentially add to the MRPM Katzie Seniors Network Website.

5.3 Accessibility and Inclusiveness Mini Focus Group – Alex Ward & Tony Cotroneo

T. Cotroneo provided information on the Accessibility and Inclusiveness Survey on the City's website. A. Ward provided a basic framework for a web-based low-cost inventory list and recommended the existing City of Maple Ridge web app 'What's Happening Around Me (WHAM)' as a basis for adoption on the City's website. A link to the framework was supplied in hardcopy during the meeting.

R/2022-MACAI-010

It was moved and seconded

That the Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness work with City staff to consider adding a comprehensive community low cost inventory list to the 2023 business plan discussions.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.4 Correspondence

Correspondence from Terri Peacock discussed along Item 5.1

6. LIAISON UPDATES

6.1 Staff Liaison

T. Cotroneo provided details on the Albion Community Centre opening and ongoing work to revise the off-street parking bylaw to incorporate inclusiveness with a potential delegation from the Planning Department. The committee also discussed rainbow ribbons on City core trees during pride month in July, led by the UPLan (a youth working group of the Youth Planning Table).

R/2022-MACAI-011

It was moved and seconded

That the Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness request a special meeting with City staff to provide comments/input on parking bylaw amendments.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Council Liaison

Council Meadus provided an update on UPlan pride walk.

6.3 SD42 Liaison

K. Sullivan provided an update on the following:

- Pride month details;
- Anti-Racism committee - it was encouraging to see anti-racism committee up and running;
- The Integrated Child and Youth Team pilot ([B.C.'s Integrated Child & Youth Teams - Province of British Columbia \(gov.bc.ca\)](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/child/youth/teams/)) is close to being up and running;
- Deepening Indigenous Education and Equity report – in November 2020, SD42 started a process surveying stakeholders; 200+ page report is now available on the School District website with 97 recommendations; it is now with staff to develop an action plan.

7. SUBCOMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE UPDATES

7.1 Age-Friendly Subcommittee

D. Mitchell provided an update on a mapping program and Plan H - Age Friendly Communities funding proposal. A draft is being worked on for age-friendly homes for City staff's review.

7.2 Awards Task Group

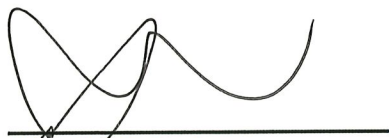
Awards for 2022/2023 to be reviewed by C. Meadus and T. Cotroneo as leads. A. Ward discussed looking at adding/removing categories such as for employers who employ newcomers.

8. QUESTION PERIOD FOR THE PUBLIC – NIL

9. ROUNDTABLE

Committee members discussed issues relating to accessibility and inclusiveness.

10. ADJOURNMENT – 5:39 p.m.



Alex Ward, Chair

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