



MINUTES OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
LANGLEY CITY HALL
20399 Douglas Crescent

SEPTEMBER 4, 2025
AT 4:30 P.M.

- Present: Councillor Delaney Mack, Chair
Councillor Leith White, Co-Chair
Kirsten McKitterick, Representative of a Person with Disabilities
Ron Bergen, Senior Representative
Diane Sugars, Member of *Tk'emlúps* te Secwépemc
Paul Dostal, Support of a Person with Disabilities
Wendy Rachwalski, Member at Large
- Staff: Kim Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture & Community Services,
Michele Payne, Recreation Supervisor
- Regrets: Beckett Zeller, Manager of Human Resources; Andrea Castro, Support of a Person with Disabilities; Ardee Sharma, Member at Large; Ty Ankerholm, Inclusion Langley Representative; Shawn Peters, Support of a Person with Disabilities
- Guests: Taylor Sacré, Community Health Specialist, Population and Public Health, Fraser Health; Julia Payne, SPARC BC; Lorraine Copas, SPARC BC

The Chair began by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is on the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui and Semiahmoo First Nations.

1. AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the September 4, 2025, agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the April 3, 2025, and June 5, 2025, Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. PRESENTATION

a) SPARC BC Audit Review

PowerPoint presentation from Julia Payne and Lorraine Copas, SPARC BC

Ms. Payne and Ms. Copas provided a PowerPoint presentation to the committee on the results of the accessibility audit conducted on City Hall/Library, Timms Community Centre and Al Anderson Memorial Pool.

Ms. Sugars entered at 5:23pm

a) DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

a) Indigenous Consultation Task Group

- Discussion on removing the Indigenous Task Group from the committee as it does not represent the views of the four nations.
- The work plan will be updated to reflect the change.

b) Changing Places Tour Review

- Deferred to the next meeting.

c) Recreation Pass Discussion

- Discussion on a request from a Township of Langley patron who requested a fee reduction for his son who receives disability.
- The City of Langley has a financial assistance program for residents as does the Township of Langley.
- Recreation rates do not cover the cost of service and are subsidized by the taxpayer. Offering additional subsidies places a further tax burden on our taxpayers. Additionally, our residents have lower per capita household income than the Township of Langley has.
- Recommended that they reach out to the Township of Langley for assistance.

d) Accessibility Week Feedback

- Comments received from the public during Accessibility Week were shared.

4) 2025 Workplan – update as needed

- a) Develop an Accessibility Strategy
- b) Public Feedback- inclusion@langleycity.ca
- c) Education – promotion at events
- d) Advocacy
- e) Communications Strategy

5) TASK GROUP BREAK OUT SESSION

Accessible Advocacy Task Group

Increase the number of accessible housing units built in the City of Langley; advocate for an inventory of accessible housing
Ty Ankerholm, Wendy Rachwalski, Paul Dostal

6) ROUNDTABLE


ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED AND SECONDED


THAT the meeting adjourns at 6:36pm

CARRIED

Certified Correct:
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CHAIR



RECREATION SUPERVISOR