

**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS OF THE
ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 4, 1:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
SECOND FLOOR EXECUTIVE BOARDROOM
NORQUAY BUILDING, 401 YORK AVENUE**

Present: Jim Baker (Chairperson), Jim Derksen, Jesse Turner, John Graham, Scott Jocelyn, Dianna Scarth, Doris Koop, Martin Harder, John Wyndels (DIO)

Absent: Judy Redmond

A letter for the Minister has been prepared and will be circulated to council members for final input. The letter thanks the Minister for the opportunity to meet with him and recaps a number of the issues discussed. There are a number of Disabilities Issues Office (DIO) events in the coming weeks. The DIO will be hosting a half-day forum as part of Manitoba Access Awareness Week. Alf Spencer from the Accessibility Directorate of Ontario will be the guest speaker. Later in the month, a public consultation on the four-year review of the AMA will take place. Because of the independent nature of the review, the DIO will not play a role in the public consultation. There was considerable discussion related to the review, the reviewer, and its scope

Changes to the Transportation Terms of Reference were highlighted to identify areas that had been amended. The majority of changes were accepted with some additional tweaking suggested. Sentences and bullets that were on one Terms of Reference weren't in the other or were located in a different section of the Terms. Despite governing different areas of standard development, we want the documents to be consistent in language and composition.

The next meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Council is Friday, June 22 from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Second Floor Executive Boardroom of the Norquay Building, 401 York Avenue.