

**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS OF THE  
ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL  
1:30 –3:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY, May 8, 2019  
SECOND FLOOR EXECUTIVE BOARDROOM  
NORQUAY BUILDING, 401 YORK AVENUE**

**Present:** Jim Baker (Chairperson), Jim Derksen, Scott Jocelyn, Dianna Scarth, Jesse Turner, John Wyndels (DIO), Emily Walker (DIO), Yutta Fricke (DIO)

**Absent:** Martin Harder, Judy Redmond

The Council Chairperson reported on his meeting with the Deputy Minister (DM) and the Assistant Deputy Minister (ADM), Corporate Services, Families. Council will meet with the Minister on May 10 as required yearly. At that meeting, the chair will clarify the issue of Council honourariums. Council will provide a progress report on standard development and dates for consultations and will request extensions to submit reports and recommendations for the Information and Communications, Design of Public Spaces and Transportation Standards beyond the original deadline of August 31. They will also seek clarification on their roles beyond standard development. For example, in 2020, it will be time for the five-year review of the Customer Service Standard. The Council requires additional members, particularly persons with disabilities, and will raise this issue with the Minister.

Council discussed the upcoming public consultation on the Information and Communications Standard, which will take place on May 14, 2019 from 9:00 AM to noon at the Viscount Gort Hotel. Council discussed participation of members, consultation format, the webinar and other logistics and made final changes to the consultation document. One change related to the fact that 50 or more employees must comply with web content requirements of the IC standard.

Work of the Transportation Standard Development Committee (SDC) is going well, and they requested an extension beyond the May 30th deadline to submit their report to Council. The topics of Winnipeg Transit, Winnipeg Transit Plus, taxis and Vehicles for Hire were discussed. The SDC is grappling with how to develop criteria for determining the percentage of vehicles for hire and taxis that should be accessible.

The Design of Public Spaces Committee is preparing its presentation for the afternoon of May 14. The session will focus on the Scope and Intent document prepared by the committee and posted on the DIO website. The next public consultations will take place in the fall.

The next Council meeting will take place on Friday, June 14, 2019.