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Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting, held on May 21, 2024 at 1:00 pm, 6th Floor Boardroom, 625 Fisgard Street, Victoria BC

PRESENT:

Committee Members: P. Danforth (Chair), T. Bolt (Vice Chair) (EP), J. Briante (EP), M. Essery (EP), G. Goodwin, M. Little (GC Liaison), J. Parr (EP), G. Robinson, E. Syring

Staff: C. Neilson, Senior Manager, Human Resources & Corporate Safety; A. Ali, Manager, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Accessibility, Human Resources & Corporate Safety; D. Duffey, Employee Engagement Specialist, Human Resources & Corporate Safety; J. Dorman, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP – Electronic Participation

Regrets: J. Coughlin, P. Pokorny, R. Welland

The meeting was called to order at 1:12 pm.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Chair Danforth provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by M. Little, **SECONDED** by J. Parr

That the agenda for the May 21, 2024 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting be approved.

CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

MOVED by J. Parr, **SECONDED** by J. Briante,

That the minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting of March 19, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Chairs Remarks

Chair Danforth spoke about the history of disabled persons and creation of an obstacles report.

5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

6. Committee Business

6.1. Committee Feedback on CRD Accessibility Plan (Draft)

C. Neilson and A. Ali spoke to Item 6.1.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- inclusivity and diversity of abilities
- lived experience and consultation
- scope of application and implementation
- differentiation between CRD and municipality services
- participation, engagement, and recognition of feedback
- alternative and inclusive plan formats
- CRHC and CRHD inclusion, training, and priorities
- procurement program and initiatives
- budget and funding opportunities

Vice Chair T. Bolt joined the meeting electronically at 1:28 pm.

M. Essery joined the meeting electronically at 1:36 pm.

J. Briante left the meeting at 2:00 pm.

6.2. Accessibility Week (May 26 to June 1, 2024)

6.2.1. Overview of CRD Activities

C. Neilson presented Item 6.2.1. for information and provided a PowerPoint Presentation.

Discussion ensued on the accessibility of CRD parks and trails.

6.2.2. Committee Feedback on Internal CRD Messaging

D. Duffey presented Item 6.2.2. for information.

7. Notices of Motion

There were no notice(s) of motion.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment

**MOVED by M. Essery, SECONDED by G. Goodwin,
That the May 21, 2024 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting
be adjourned at 2:53 pm.
CARRIED**

Chair

Committee Clerk