

NORTH SHORE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY ISSUES

**Thursday, March 26, 2020 5:00 pm
VIA TELECONFERENCE
MINUTES**

Present:

Amy Amantea
Kamelia Abadi
Louisa Bridgman
Alexis Chicoine
Riva Nelson

Regrets: None

Guest: Carolyn Girard, DNV Park Planner

Council Liaisons:

Mayor Mike Little, DNV
Cllr Don Bell, CNV
Cllr Nora Gambioli, DWV

Staff Liaisons:

Steve MacIntyre, Staff Liaison, DNV
Edison Ting, Staff Liaison, CNV
Maeve, Birmingham, DWV
Mary Jukich, Committee Clerk

1. Welcome

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOVED by Kamelia and seconded by Alexis
To adopt the agenda.

CARRIED

3. Adoption of the February 27, 2020 Minutes

MOVED by Alexis and seconded by Louisa
To approve the minutes.

CARRIED

4. Subcommittee Reports

4.1. Parks and Recreation Accessibility Subcommittee

- Bridgman Park Playground

Carolyn Girard, DNV Park Planner provided a presentation on the proposed upgrades to Bridgman Park Playground, and the following comments were presented:

- Ensure accessibility to all people who come to the park, including those who come with strollers, scooters and the caregivers of the children.

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- Consider park equipment that is accessible to wheelchairs, merry-go-round and swings.
- A mixture of surfaces to allow access for all mobility devices.
- Play space for wheelchair accessibility but that can be used for all children.

Action: Steve MacIntyre will prepare a report with the recommendations and circulate to the Committee.

4.2. Development and Inclusion Subcommittee (Maeve)
• **Gateway Residences**

For this item, Alexis Chicoine assumed the role of Chair.

Members reviewed and discussed the Gateway Residences Report as prepared by the Development and Inclusion Subcommittee.

MOVED by Riva and seconded by Kamelia

ACDI is pleased to have had the opportunity to review the new design layouts of the Gateway Residence project and is encouraged by the diversity in housing options. The Committee urges the project proponents to adopt the recommendations above, which will improve the overall accessibility of the project. The ACDI requests a response/update regarding the recommendations within 120 days.

CARRIED

• **Wayfinding Project**

Amy Amantea reassumed the role of Chair.

Members reviewed and discussed the Wayfinding Project Report as prepared by the Development and Inclusion Subcommittee.

MOVED by Kamelia and seconded by Louisa

ACDI is pleased to have had the opportunity to review the Wayfinding Project of the District of West Vancouver, during this information-gathering phase. The Committee urges the project proponents to adopt the recommendations listed above, which will improve the overall accessibility of the project. There are many features associated to accessibility that can actually benefit the

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community as a whole. We look forward to hearing your responses on our recommendation and reviewing the project again when it reaches the design phase.

CARRIED

5. New Business

• Park Audit – Alternative Options for Park

As a follow up to the February meeting, there was a discussion with respect to a second option for the July park audit. Aside from the previously proposed Waterfront Park, the other option would be Greenwood Park. Members were informed that in terms of consultation, Greenwood Park was in the second phase and that the only component of the site visit would be to review the washroom facility. Therefore, the recommendation was to continue with Waterfront Park for this year's park audit.

On further discussion,

Action: Edison Ting will follow up with Justin Hall as to the status of the Greenwood Park Report.

Members discussed the status of the Harry Jerome project, and that it may be beneficial to place this item as a recurring item on the Committee's monthly agenda to ensure consultation with ACDI.

A suggestion was presented to look into an accessibility for public events project and to gather more information. It was noted that a white paper could be prepared as information sharing with all three municipalities.

Action: Maeve Birmingham and Riva Nelson will begin looking into the project and once information is gathered, maybe look into a subcommittee.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

7. Next Meeting: To be determined.