



Oshawa Accessibility Advisory Committee

Minutes

**September 16, 2025, 6:30 p.m.
Committee Room**

Present: Dorothy McFarlane, Chair
Adeel Haq
Lisa Knowlton
Julia McCrea
Anagha Sumant
Councillor McConkey

Absent: Gino Vendetti, Vice-Chair
Amit Arora
Shanjay Kailayanathan

Also Present: P. Aguilera, Council-Committee Coordinator
L. Davis, Manager, Legislative Services/Deputy City Clerk

Public Meeting

Dot McFarlane, Chair called the meeting to order and advised that all members were participating from the Committee Meeting Room except Julia McCrea and Anagha Sumant who were participating electronically and Gino Vendetti, Shanjay Kailaynathan and Amit Arora who were absent.

Land Acknowledgement

The City of Oshawa is situated on lands within the traditional and treaty territory of the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Anishinaabeg and the signatories of the Williams Treaties, which include the Mississaugas of Scugog Island, Curve Lake, Hiawatha and Alderville First Nations, and the Chippewas of Georgina Island, Rama and Beausoleil First Nations.

We are grateful for the Anishinaabeg who have cared for the land and waters within this territory since time immemorial.

We recognize that Oshawa is steeped in rich Indigenous history and is now present day home to many First Nations, Inuit and Métis people. We express gratitude for this diverse group of Indigenous Peoples who continue to care for the land and shape and strengthen our community.

As a municipality, we are committed to understanding the truth of our shared history, acknowledging our role in addressing the negative impacts that colonization continues to have on Indigenous Peoples, developing reciprocal relationships, and taking meaningful action toward reconciliation.

We are all Treaty people.

Additional Agenda Items

None

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None

Presentations

None

Delegations

None

Referrals from Council and Committees

None

Correspondence

None

Reports

OAAC-25-18 - Fifth Report of the BUILT subcommittee - July 2025

Moved by Lisa Knowlton

That Report OAAC-25-18 being the Fifth Report of the BUILT Environment Subcommittee, dated July 10, 2025 be received for information.

Carried

OAAC-25-19 - Sixth Report of the BUILT subcommittee - August 2025

Moved by Julia McCrea

That Report OAAC-25-19 being the Sixth Report of the BUILT Environment Subcommittee, dated August 10, 2025, be received for information.

Carried

OAAC-25-20 - 2025 O.A.A.C. Projected Actuals, 2026 Proposed O.A.A.C. Budget and 2026 Proposed O.A.A.C. Work Plan

Moved by Julia McCrea

That based on Report OAAC-25-20 dated September 16, 2025, the proposed Work Plan and Budget as contained in Attachment 1 and 2 to said report, be submitted as the O.A.A.C.'s 2026 Work Plan and Budget submission.

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That based on Report OAAC-25-20 being the 2025 O.A.A.C. Projected Actuals, 2026 Proposed Budget and 2026 Proposed O.A.A.C. Work Plan that:

As part of O.A.A.C.'s 2026 work plan a working group be struck to support investigating:

1. Para pickleball; and
2. Meeting and public engagement and involvement with builders and MPP's to encourage new residential development plans have at least 2% of housing with accessible housing and washrooms.

And that this item be referred to the next O.A.A.C. meeting.

Carried

Items Introduced by Members

None

Adjournment

Moved by Lisa Knowlton

That the meeting adjourn at 7:15 p.m.