

**MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ACCESSIBILITY ISSUES
AGENDA**

January 21, 2016, 5:00 pm
Blaney Room, Maple Ridge City Hall

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1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
 2. 2016 CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR ELECTIONS
 3. AGENDA APPROVAL
 4. MINUTES APPROVAL – October 15, 2015 Regular Meeting
 5. DELEGATIONS - Nil
 6. QUESTION PERIOD
 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - 7.1 Accessibility Survey Roll Out – Petra Frederick
 - 7.2 2015 Committee Review Update – Councillor Speirs
 8. NEW BUSINESS
 - 8.1 MACAI Membership update – Petra Frederick
 - 8.2 2016 Business Plan and Work Plan - discussion
 9. CORRESPONDENCE
 10. ROUNDTABLE
 11. ADJOURNMENT

QUESTION PERIOD

Question Period provides the public with the opportunity to ask questions or make comments on subjects that are of concern to them. Questions or comments must be directed to the Chair of the meeting. Each person will be permitted 2 minutes to speak. A second 2 minutes to speak may be granted at the discretion of the Chair if no other member of the public is waiting. The total time allotted for Question Period is 10 minutes.

Each speaker will be asked to provide their name for the record. No derogatory remarks will be tolerated. The Committee reserves the right to defer responding to a question in order to obtain the information required to provide a complete and accurate response.

City of Maple Ridge
Community Development, Parks & Recreation Services – Municipal Advisory
Committee on Accessibility Issues (MACAI)
Business Plan 2016 – 2020

Vision

Two communities that are accessible to everyone all of the time and that are national leaders in advocating accessibility issues.

Mandate

The purpose of the Committee is to advise councils, and inform and educate the municipal departments, community agencies and general public on accessibility and disability issues.

Values

We commit to the following values when representing this committee:

Equality – Respect – Inclusiveness – Sensitivity – Empathy

Update on Incomplete Items from Prior Years

| Deliverable | Status | % Completed |
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| Examine and explore the Terms of Reference and update the MACAI Mandate and bylaw as/if required | Awaiting outcome of council review | 70% |
| Examine and explore promotional opportunities for MACAI, including the development of a Facebook page | Awaiting outcome of council review – initial conversations were had at MACAI meetings | 45% |
| Examine and explore Membership recruitment and Retention | Awaiting outcome of council review | 10% |

Ongoing Deliverables:

- Prepare Council related reports regarding MACAI initiatives and/ or recommendations.
- Work with MACAI Chair to conduct orientation sessions as required.
- Host Annual Accessibility Awards
- Provide annual updates to municipal departments regarding accessibility issues/ concerns, as required.
- Present updates to both Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows Councils.
- Continue to support and have a representative on the Life After School Transition (LAST Committee).

Found Milestones:

- Supporting the Age Friendly Initiative
- Supporting the grant process for HRDC funding specific to Maple Ridge Leisure Centre Retro Fit

Environmental Scan:

- Limited success in recruiting of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows Member at Large
- Limited success in recruiting Agency and Organizational representative's.
- Changes to agency responsibilities may impact future involvement in MACAI initiatives

Service Area Goal: Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility

To respond to Council and /or Municipal Department requests for information or recommendations concerning broad accessibility issues that affect residents of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows.
(Community Services and Relationships/Partnerships)

Objectives:

- To provide information on accessibility issues and recommendations to council and/or Municipal departments when requested.
- To identify gaps in community services and set priorities as required.
- To provide a communication link, ensuring open and collaborative communication channels among like service providers.
- To have committee representation that reflects our diverse communities.

Measures:

| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 (est.) | 2016 (Target) |
|---|------|------|----------------|------------------|
| # of recommendations made to the City of Maple Ridge and the City of Pitt Meadows | 5 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| # of Citizens attending award event | 80 | 85 | 70 | 70 |
| # of times staff seek accessibility advice as related to initiatives with MACAI | 7 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| # of Community presentations and events | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |

Workplan Highlights – 2016 Deliverables

| Action | Responsibility | Timeline |
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| To develop an action plan based on the 2015 Accessibility survey results | Subcommittee and Staff Liaison | Q2 |
| Explore opportunities to develop a community specific Asset Map highlighting accessible components of the Municipalities of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows | Subcommittee, Staff Liaison, Engineering (Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows) | Q4 |
| Host 2 joint committee meetings with like agencies/ organizations within the community (SD 42 and LAST committee) | Committee | Q2 and Q4 |