

**MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVENESS
AGENDA**

**December 5, 2019, 4:30 pm
Blaney Room, Maple Ridge City Hall**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES** - September 19, 2019
4. **DELEGATIONS**
5. **QUESTION PERIOD**
6. **NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - 6.1. Provincial Accessibility Legislation
 - 6.2. Scooter Rodeo
 - 6.3. Advisory Committee Review Update
7. **SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES**
8. **STAFF LIAISON UPDATES**
 - 8.1. City of Pitt Meadows
 - 8.2. City of Maple Ridge
 - 8.2.1. Senior Mapping App
 - 8.2.2. Age Friendly Initiative Update
 - 8.2.3. Choose to Move and Activaging January 2020
9. **CORRESPONDENCE**
10. **ROUNDTABLE**
11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Next Meeting: January 23, 2020 at 4:30 pm

QUESTION PERIOD

Question Period provides the public with the opportunity to ask questions or make comments on subjects that are of concern to them. Each person will be given 2 minutes to speak. Up to ten minutes in total is allotted for Question Period.

**MAPLE RIDGE/PITT MEADOWS
MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVENESS**

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Municipal Advisory Committee
on Accessibility and Inclusiveness, held at Pitt Meadows City Hall
on September 19, 2019 at 4:35 pm

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Gwen O'Connell	Council Liaison, City of Pitt Meadows
Kristina Morrison, Chair	Member at Large, Maple Ridge
Don Mitchell	Ridge Meadows Seniors Society
Kim McLennan	Fraser Health
Carolina Echeverri	Local Immigration Partnership, Family Education and Support Centre
Kathleen Sullivan	School District No. 42
Maria Kovacs	Member at Large, Maple Ridge
Rysa Kronebusch	Member at Large, Maple Ridge

STAFF PRESENT

Tony Cotroneo	Recreation Manager - Community Engagement
Petra Frederick	Recreation Coordinator
	Staff Liaison, City of Maple Ridge
Jackie Senchyna	Recreation Program Services Coordinator
	Staff Liaison, City of Pitt Meadows
Erin Mark	Acting Committee Clerk

ABSENT

Councillor Kiersten Duncan	Council Liaison, City of Maple Ridge
Greg Turnbull	Member at Large, Maple Ridge
Gillian Small, Vice Chair	Ridge Meadows Association for Community Living
Brad Dinwoodie	Member at Large, Pitt Meadows

GUESTS

Holly Muton	Neil Squire Society
Zee Kesler	Neil Squire Society

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2019-008

It was moved and seconded

That the September 19, 2019 Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness Agenda be amended as follows:

- add item 6.4 – Provincial Accessibility Legislation,

and that the agenda as amended be approved.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 March 21, 2019

R/2019-009

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness dated March 21, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED

3.2 May 16, 2019

R/2019-010

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness dated May 16, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Neil Squire Society's Makers Making Change

- Zee Kesler, Neil Squire Society

Ms. Kesler presented information about the Makers Making Change program, an initiative that focuses on connecting people with disabilities to affordable assistive technology. The Neil Squire Society is looking for individuals in the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows area that may need the open source assistive technology they have available and also for "Makers" that can volunteer to help build requests and ideas. Ms. Kesler answered questions from the Committee and demonstrated some of the technology they have available.

5. **QUESTION PERIOD – Nil**

6. **NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

6.1 **2020 Workplan**

Petra Frederick, staff liaison, led discussion surrounding the Business Planning process for the Committee.

Note: Councillor O'Connell left the meeting at 5:20pm.

R/2019-011

It was moved and seconded

That the following items are adopted into the 2020 MACAI Business Plan:

- 1) **Communication Plan for MACAI**
- 2) **Community Forums (2) - One in each community**
- 3) **MACAI Awards**

CARRIED

6.2 Senior Wayfinding App

P. Frederick, staff liaison provided an update on the Senior Mapping App currently under development. The App was funded through an UBCM Age-Friendly grant and allows users to search for Maple Ridge doctors, social services, pharmacies, etc. and displays information about surrounding bus routes, walking routes, and accessible parking spots.

6.3 Age-Friendly Initiative Update

P. Frederick, staff liaison, and Don Mitchell provided an update on the planned purchase of a large passenger vehicle using the UBCM Age-Friendly grant funding.

6.4 Provincial Accessibility Legislation

Staff liaisons P. Frederick and J. Senchyna provided information on the consultation process for the forthcoming provincial accessibility legislation. The Committee discussed applying for SPARC BC funding to host a community meeting that would allow participants to provide input into the legislation.

R/2019-012

It was moved and seconded

That MACAI proceed to provide feedback into the Provincial Accessibility Legislation request and the City of Pitt Meadows and the City of Maple Ridge apply for the funding available through SPARC BC to host a community meeting.

CARRIED

7. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

7.1 MACAI Awards

Staff liaisons P. Frederick and J. Senchyna requested feedback from the MACAI Awards. The Committee discussed plans for future MACAI Award events.

7.2 Facilities/Outdoor Spaces Audit

P. Frederick, staff liaison shared that the Outdoor Spaces – Accessibility and Inclusiveness audit, which was funded through a Plan H grant, has been completed. The audit rates the accessibility of the playgrounds and outdoor spaces in downtown Maple Ridge.

8. STAFF LIAISON UPDATES

8.1 City of Pitt Meadows

Staff liaison J. Senchyna provided a summary of City of Pitt Meadows Parks and Recreation programs, special events and facility updates. Ms. Senchyna reminded the Committee that Community Service Award nominations are open until the end of September.

8.1.1 Maclean Park – New playground equipment update

The ground breaking for the new playground was held in May 2019. The equipment meets and exceeds accessibility standards.

8.2 City of Maple Ridge - Nil

9. **CORRESPONDENCE** - Nil

10. **ROUNDTABLE**

- Rysa Kronebusch suggested MACAI participate in the 2020 Pitt Meadows Day parade. This item will be added to a future MACAI agenda.
- Don Mitchell shared information about the RMSS 20th Anniversary Gala Fundraiser on October 26th.

11. **ADJOURNMENT – 6:40pm**

Kristina Morrison, Chair

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Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness Terms of Reference

Mandate

To advise Council on the enhancement of accessibility and inclusivity for present and future citizens of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows. The MACAI Committee will:

1. advise and/or inform Council, City departments, community agencies and organizations, and the communities on accessibility and inclusiveness by:
 - a) identifying best practices;
 - b) implementing a community wide survey on accessibility and inclusiveness once every three years (or as directed by Council); and
 - c) advising and/or informing Council of relevant legislation.
2. Provide leadership and advocacy through City and community partnerships which emphasize community awareness of accessibility and inclusiveness by:
 - a) responding and/or directing community enquiries and/or concerns; and
 - b) recognizing existing and/or future community barriers and advising Council accordingly.
3. Recognize leadership, innovation and champions within the City, agencies and organizations and the community by:
 - a) hosting annual "Accessibility and Inclusiveness Awards"; and
 - b) providing annual community promotions pertaining to the MACAI committee and accessibility and inclusiveness best practices.

Membership Composition

The Committee will be comprised of the following 9 voting members:

- One Council liaison from the City of Maple Ridge (or alternate)
- One Council liaison from the City of Pitt Meadows (or alternate)
- One member nominated by School District No. 42 (or alternate)
- One member nominated by Fraser Health (or alternate)
- One member nominated by Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows Family Education and Support Centre (or alternate)
- Three Members at Large from Maple Ridge, appointed by City of Maple Ridge Council, with a goal of representation from the youth and seniors communities, and interest and/or expertise in accessibility and inclusivity matters
- One Member at Large from Pitt Meadows, appointed by City of Pitt Meadows Council, with a goal of representation from the youth and seniors communities, and interest and/or expertise in accessibility and inclusivity matters

Standing Invitation Members (non-voting):

- One member nominated by Ministry of Children and Family Development
- One member nominated by Ministry of Social Development and Innovation
- One member nominated by Ridge Meadows Association for Community Living
- One member nominated by BC Special Olympics

Quorum

- Majority of voting members (5)

Meetings

- MACAI typically meets on the third Thursday of every other month and alternates meeting locations between Maple Ridge City Hall and Pitt Meadows City Hall
- Meetings are typically held in: January, March, May, September and November

Subcommittee

- Age-friendly Subcommittee