



PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

May 14, 2026

A meeting of the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 5:34 pm, in the Joe Wai Room, Ground Floor, City Hall, and via electronic means.

PRESENT: Peter Brown, Chair
Tasia Alexis
John Atoyebi
Sarah van Baarsen
Vikram Bubber
Salina Dewar
Mikeal Frazer
Madeleine Grant
Tommy Leung
Casey Skinner

ABSENT: Avery Shannon

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Lucy Maloney, Council Liaison
Councillor Sean Orr, Council Liaison
Paul Storer, Director of Transportation; Staff Liaison
Laura Mackenrot, Former Co-Chair, Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Cheryll Chingcuangco, Meeting Coordinator

WELCOME

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Peoples. We thank them for having cared for this land and look forward to working with them in partnership as we continue to build this great city together.

Leave of Absence Requests

None.

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Tasia Alexis
SECONDED by Tommy Leung

THAT the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee approve the minutes from the meeting of Thursday, March 12, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. City-wide Equity Program

Staff from the Strategy and Project Support Office provided a presentation and responded to questions and comments.

2. New Stanley Park Perimeter Transit Route

Staff from the Park Board, Engineering Services, and TransLink provided a presentation and responded to questions and comments.

3. Working Session Updates

Postponed to a later date.

4. Liaison Updates

All Liaisons present provided updates.

5. Subcommittee Updates

Subcommittee Chairs provided updates and informed the Committee of upcoming subcommittee meeting dates.

6. New Business

Motion - National Accessibility Week

MOVED by Tasia Alexis
SECONDED by Salina Dewar

WHEREAS

1. Vancouver City Council has adopted an Accessibility Strategy and Action Plan to advance accessibility, reduce barriers, and support the full participation of persons with disabilities in civic life, public spaces, services, employment, and community engagement; and
2. The City of Vancouver is committed to advancing equity, accessibility, inclusion, and belonging for all residents through policies, programs, services, and civic participation; and

3. National Accessibility Week, observed across Canada from May 31 to June 6, 2026, celebrates the leadership, achievements, and contributions of persons with disabilities in our communities, workplaces, and public life; and
4. National Accessibility Week highlights the ongoing need to identify, remove, and prevent structural, systemic, physical, communication, and attitudinal barriers in order to build a more accessible and inclusive society where everyone can participate fully;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee recommend that Vancouver City Council formally recognize National Accessibility Week, observed annually in Canada, as one of the City of Vancouver's official observances, and encourage public awareness and community participation during National Accessibility Week in support of building a more accessible and inclusive Vancouver for all residents.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Salina Dewar
SECONDED by Madaline Grant

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Thursday, July 9, 2026
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Joe Wai Room, Ground Floor, City Hall
/ Teams Meeting

The Committee adjourned at 7:32 pm.

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