



**THE CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWN OF GEORGINA**

**Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes**

Date: Tuesday, March 11, 2025  
Time: 9:00 AM

Members of  
Committee  
Present:

Lee Dale  
Dave Harding  
Wendy Busby  
Charlene Biggerstaff  
Michelle Radigan-Marriott

Members of  
Committee  
Absent:

Scott Wollin

Staff Present:

Samantha Naumoski, Committee Services Coordinator  
Bob Ferguson, Manager of Parks Development and Operations  
Tim McClatchie, Manager of Facilities  
Timothy Higgins, Accessibility/AODA Compliance Advisor  
Susan Lazzer, Project Manager  
Olga Lawton, Manager, Corporate Strategy and Transformation  
Mowafak Rajjoub, Construction Project Manager  
Stefan Hordatt, Manager, Capital Projects  
Steve Lee Young, Director, Community Services

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

“The Town of Georgina recognizes and acknowledges that we are on lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples, and on behalf of the Mayor and Council, we would like to thank them for sharing this land. We would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbour and friend, one with which we strive to build a cooperative and respectful relationship.

We also recognize the unique relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory. They are the water protectors and environmental stewards of these lands and we join them in these responsibilities.”

Called to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

As noted above.

**3. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S)**

None.

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. GAAC-2025-0007**

Moved By Charlene Biggerstaff

Seconded By Dave Harding

That the March 11, 2025 Agenda be approved as presented.

**Carried**

**6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

None.

**7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on February 4, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. GAAC-2025-0008**

Moved By Charlene Biggerstaff

Seconded By Wendy Busby

That the Minutes of the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held on February 4, 2025 be approved as presented.

**Carried**

**8. SPEAKERS**

None.

## **9. DELEGATIONS/ PETITIONS**

None.

## **10. PRESENTATIONS**

None.

## **11. REPORTS**

None.

## **12. GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. REPORT NO. CSD-2025-0005, Georgina Ice Palace Replacement Seating and New Railings

Staff from the Capital Projects Division and Community Services Department discussed REPORT NO. CSD-2025-0005, Georgina Ice Palace Replacement Seating and New Railings, in correspondence with RESOLUTION NO. C-2025-0042, from the February 26, 2025 Council meeting. Members of the Committee were able to share their own experiences at the Georgina Ice Palace and suggested areas where accessibility could be improved.

The Committee was presented with a list of Building Condition Assessment (BCA) items that were conducted in 2022 for the Georgina Ice Palace.

Photos of the Georgina Ice Palace were shared, showcasing areas where accessibility improvements are proposed.

The Committee reviewed the challenges posed by the current layout, particularly with respect to visibility from certain areas of the facility. It was suggested that the middle windows in the Ice Palace be enlarged to improve visibility. The proposal also included the installation of a ramp in front of the windows to ensure that those with accessibility needs, could easily view events from these improved vantage points.

Staff are also seeking possibilities in improving the elevator lift to maintain accessibility and addressing it in the 2026 Capital Budget.

**RESOLUTION NO. GAAC-2025-0009**

Moved By Michelle Radigan-Marriott  
Seconded By Dave Harding

That the item regarding REPORT NO. CSD-2025-0005, Georgina Ice Palace Replacement Seating and New Railings, be received for information.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION NO. GAAC-2025-0010**

Moved By Charlene Biggerstaff  
Seconded By Dave Harding

That the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee formally requests that Council ask staff to continue to review options to support accessible participation in the viewing areas at the Georgina Ice Palace, and that staff suggest additional opportunities in order to spend the \$50,000 allocation.

**Carried**

Quorum was lost at 10:51 a.m.

2. Multi-Year Accessibility Plan Update

Tim Higgins, Accessibility/AODA Compliance Advisor, to provide a verbal update on the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan.

**13. MOTIONS/ NOTICES OF MOTION**

**14. OTHER BUSINESS**

**15. CLOSED SESSION**

**16. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

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Councillor Lee Dale, Chair

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Samantha Naumoski, Committee Services Coordinator