

**Disability Issues Advisory Committee
Comité consultatif sur les handicaps**

**Agenda 6
Ordre du jour 6**

**Thursday, June 22, 2000 - 12:30 p.m.
Le jeudi 22 juin 2000 - 12 h 30**

**Caucus Room, First Level
Bytown Pavilion, City Hall**

**Salle de Réunion Privée, niveau 1
Pavillon Bytown, hôtel de ville**

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| 4. | Advisory Committee on Equity and Diversity (ACED) Update
Mise-à-jour sur le comité consultatif sur l'équité et la diversité
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| 6. | Policy, Priorities and Budgeting Committee Meeting - June 1, 2000 -
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| 7. | CCOC Newsnotes - June 2000
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| 8. | Abilities - Summer 2000 - Issue 43
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| 9. | Accessibility Transportation Advisory Committee Agenda - May 23
and Minutes - March 28, 2000
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Late Items Articles en retard

Other Business

Autres questions

Deadline for material to be included in the next agenda
Date limite de présentation des documents à inclure dans le prochain ordre du jour

Should you wish to include an item on the next agenda, please submit the information to the Assistant by **Noon on Tuesday, July 4, 2000**.

Si vous désirez ajouter un article au prochain ordre du jour, veuillez le faire parvenir à l'adjointe d'ici au **mardi 4 juillet 2000, à midi**.

Next Meeting

Prochaine réunion

The next regular meeting of the Committee will take place on **Thursday, July 20, 2000, at 12:30 p.m.**, in the Fuller Room, Bytown Pavilion, Terrace Level, City Hall.

La prochaine réunion ordinaire du Comité aura lieu le **jeudi 20 juillet 2000, à 12h30**, dans la salle Fuller, pavillon Bytown, niveau terrasse, hôtel de ville.

Members' Reports - Enquiries

Rapports des membres - demandes de renseignements

Bob Brown, Chairperson/Président

Barry McMahon, Vice-Chairperson/Vice-président

Michael Brady

Jennifer-Ann Eastham

Leonard Grace

Nicole Hudson

Tom Parker

Surat Turcot

Non-Voting Member
Membre sans droit de vote

Councillor/Conseiller Jim Bickford

Adjournment
Levée de la séance

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January 31, 2000

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**1. DIAC - 1999-2000 Annual Report and 2001 Objectives (B.Brown,
M.Brady & T.Parker)**

**CCH - 1999-2000 rapport annuel et les objectifs 2001 (B.Brown,
M.Brady et T.Parker)**



City of
Ville d' **Ottawa**

June 12, 2000

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Disability Issues Advisory Committee

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- Policy, Priorities and Budgeting Committee / Comité des politiques, des priorités et des budgets
- City Council / Conseil municipal

Action/Exécution

1. Disabilities Issues Advisory Committee -1999-2000 Annual Report and objectives for year 2001

Comité consultatif sur les handicaps - Rapport annuel de 1999-2000 et les object de l'an 2001

Recommendations

1. That the 1999-2000 Annual Report, as detailed in Document 1, be received.
2. The Committee recommends that the objectives for the year 2001 be approved
3. That the accompanying resources requirements, as described in the submission, be considered within the year 2001 budget and be made available to Council as part of the budget documentation.

Bob Brown

June 12, 2000 (5:46p)

Bob Brown
Chairperson

MB:cl

Contact: Carole Langford - 244-5300 ext. 1-3617
Bob Brown - 731-1989

Financial Comment

Mona Monkman
City Treasurer
XX:xx

Executive Report

Reasons Behind Recommendations

Recommendation 1

The Disability Issues Advisory Committee, in accordance with the reporting requirements for Advisory Committees, submits its 1999/2000 annual report for the information of Council.

Recommendation 2

In addition to the tasks prescribed by its mandate, the Committee submits the following objectives for the year 2001:

OBJECTIVE 1

DIAC will continue its consultative and advisory role with the Human Rights and Employment Equity Division, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer.

OBJECTIVE 2

DIAC will continue its consultative and advisory role with the Department of Urban Planning and Public Works regarding the Accessibility Audit of City owned/operated property.

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OBJECTIVE 3

DIAC will seek to coordinate a two-stage Disability Issues Forum at City Hall. The forum will focus on issues which relate to accessibility, transportation, housing, employment and recreation opportunities and obstacles. The first phase will target Council and senior staff at City Hall while the second phase will be targeted towards Ottawa based representatives of the general public.

Budget requested for Objective 3 from the bulk allocation \$2,000

OBJECTIVE 4

DIAC will continue to provide advice on all disability related issues affecting Ottawa citizens and visitors, to Council and city staff on the following:

- Municipal Election Procedures
- Municipal Buildings
- Infrastructure and Services, such as Building Inspections
- Site Plans for Major Projects
- The City's Website with respect to accessibility for persons using adaptive technologies or who have learning disabilities
- Issues anticipated with the Francophonie Games

OBJECTIVE 5

DIAC will provide representation on the Advisory Committee on Equity and Diversity, as well as at official disability related events where the City of Ottawa has been asked to participate and to promote DIAC in the National Capital Area.

OBJECTIVE 6

DIAC will continue presenting the yearly Breaking Barriers Award Program to city employees and wishes to inaugurate an annual award to recognize architects/developers for significant innovation/awareness in addressing accessibility barriers.

OBJECTIVE 7

DIAC will promote and/or assist in organizing an event to foster cross-disability cooperation and setting of common goals between groups.

OBJECTIVE 8

DIAC will assist the Transition Team, the newly elected Council and the City Manager in developing an appropriate process for assimilating DIAC into the operation of the new city.

Recommendation 3

In addition to the funds requested for the Objectives for 2001, funding is also requested to cover expenditures associated with food, taxis and child care services since the Committee meets during the lunch hour.

Budget requested from the bulk allocation \$400.00

Consultation

There was no broad consultation on these objectives; however, public input came through the members of the Advisory Committee and from participation by the public, at the invitation of the Committee, on issues of particular concern to them at the monthly meetings of the Committee.

Disposition

Objective 1-8 Disability Issues Advisory Committee
Objective 1 Human Rights and Employment Equity Division, Office of the Chief
 Administrative Officer

List of Supporting Documentation

Document 1 Annual Report for June 1999-2000

**DISABILITIES ISSUES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DIAC)
ANNUAL REPORT FOR JUNE 1998-1999**

1. ADMINISTRATION

Membership

During 1999-2000, three members resigned or retired, bringing the total membership to eight. Mr. Bob Brown was elected Chairperson. Barry McMahon was re-elected as Vice-Chairperson.

2. Motions Passed By City Council

The following is a summary of the motions which were brought before the appropriate Standing Committees and passed by City Council:

a. Taxi Cabs

That City Council, in recognition of the community need for accessible taxicab service awarded twelve licenses to owners of cabs designed for disabled passengers.

b. Access Canada - Pilot Project

That the City of Ottawa review the Hotel Association of Canada's Access Canada Program (a universally recognized group of symbols identifying the level of accessibility of a public facility e.g. availability of washrooms accessible to the disabled) in order to determine the feasibility of city wide implementation and that subject to the acceptance of such a program the ByWard Market area be used as a pilot project.

c. New City Organizational Structure

That City Council recommend to the Transition Board:

- i. That the new City Council include in the new municipal model an Advisory Committee structure such as the one currently in place in the City of Ottawa.
- ii. That the current Advisory Committees of the City of Ottawa, in collaboration with similar Committees from the other municipalities which will form the new City of Ottawa, where appropriate, be included in the transition process as Advisory Committees to the Transition Board.

d. Fines for Misuse of Handicapped Parking

That in view of the short supply and to discourage the misuse of designated handicapped reserved parking stalls, the City of Ottawa will display the amount of the parking fine on all official signage. A separate tab sign will be added to all existing and future signage posts.

1. Site Plan Application Review Sub-Committee

In December 1998, DIAC formed a Site Plan Application Review Sub-Committee to address concerns that appropriate input was not being provided to the decision makers at the appropriate time in the process for new building construction and commercial renovations. Following a one year trial, the Committee decided to continue the Sub-Committee's work indefinitely.

The Sub-Committee has reviewed Site Plans for over 50 major projects and has offered comments on corrective measures, where appropriate, to the City Planner within the designated time frames. The experience has given the Committee valuable insights and we believe has resulted in a heightened awareness by city staff of accessibility issues as many design weaknesses are flagged to us by them for discussion on remedies.

Also DIAC has learned of deficiencies in the current By-laws such as the parking space allotment for the disabled being limited to five spaces in any lot having greater than 1000 spaces. The St-Laurent Shopping Centre with over 4,500 spaces and having over 60 spaces dedicated to disabled parking could legally reduce that number to 5 as per the By-law rather than increase it, as DIAC and management as part of their proposed expansion would prefer, to 120 spaces. However, management and DIAC believe it is appropriate that these spots be recognized in the total parking space count since the disabled spot is 50% bigger than a regular spot. There is currently no provision in the By-law to recognize this fact.

As well, the Committee found that there is no provision for assignment of disabled spots

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in a parking garage if sufficient disabled spots are provided in an adjoining outdoor lot on the same premises. This means that the indoor garage could be designed without elevators or ramps and be inaccessible to someone in a wheelchair desiring a spot inside when the weather is inclement.

4. Ontarians with Disabilities Act

Joining with disability advocates throughout the province, DIAC reacted swiftly to voice its opposition to the proposed Bill 83 - The Ontarians with Disabilities Act, when the Legislature tabled the document. Prior to the tabling of this Bill, DIAC was invited to consult with provincial representatives, at which time it expressed the urgent need for clear leadership and an enforceable, powerful piece of legislation that would improve life for Ontario's 1.5 million people with disabilities. Ottawa is building thousands of new houses that people using wheelchairs cannot even visit, let alone reside in. Extensive renovations are being made to existing buildings without the need for providing barrier-free access, due to a weak Ontario Building Code. The Mayor and members of Council unanimously supported contacting the Premier to urge reconsideration of the proposed Bill 83, but such action was obviated by the death of the Bill on the order paper.

The Committee participated in the organization of a consultation session with Steve Peters, the Liberal Critic on Disability Issues, which was held at City Hall on March 16 and was attended by approximately 100 people. Mr. Peters conducted a tour of the major cities in Ontario gathering information to present to the Minister for inclusion in the ODA legislation promised for next year.

5. OCTranspo Low Floor Buses

DIAC took issue with OCTranspo for its extraordinarily long delay in providing barrier-free access to its public system buses. Letters were written in protest of the purchase of 80 new high-floor inaccessible buses since they would require expensive retrofitting. With a life-span of 20 years, DIAC found OCTranspo was not demonstrating concern for users with mobility difficulties when purchasing these buses or following the 1994 accessibility plan. OCTranspo has since started to purchase new low-floor wheelchair accessible buses and have just introduced them on a few routes. A letter from the Interim General Manager to DIAC stated that there will be 160 new low-floor buses by the end of 1999. The Committee is currently working to ensure that the new busses are deployed on the most frequently used routes and that they are scheduled so that the users can be assured of their availability.

6. Joint Project on Equity and Diversity

DIAC has recognised the need for a communications program targeted towards new Canadians, especially those from countries that do not afford persons with disabilities

equal rights, opportunity or dignity. Discussions have taken place with the Advisory Committee on Equity and Diversity with the intention of creating a joint project with the two committees. DIAC has reached an agreement in which one of its members will sit as a non-voting member of the Equity and Diversity Committee.

7. City Accessibility Audit

The City is in the process of assessing all of its buildings and facilities to make sure architectural barriers are identified and recorded with the goal of eliminating them. This audit is scheduled for completion by the end of this year. Periodic reports to DIAC indicate the audit is on schedule. The Committee has collaborated with staff in prioritizing the more than one hundred items for renovation identified in the audit of the Sandy Hill Community Centre to maximize the benefits from the funds available.

8. Site Plan Award/ Breaking Barriers Award

In addition to the yearly Breaking Barriers Award, which is given to a City of Ottawa representative who has been exemplary in issues having to do with people with disabilities, DIAC proposed to create a Site Plan Award that would recognise a developer or business that has made the extra effort to modify their premises to include the needs of clients or employees with disabilities. The award would be presented by the Mayor and a representative of the business community. Media coverage would be encouraged.

9. Accessibility to Housing

The southern end of the City of Ottawa has witnessed a boom in housing development projects. In the past decade, many hundreds of brand new single and multi-dwelling units have been built throughout the city, especially in the south end. With that new construction came lots of new infrastructure. Unfortunately, none of these new communities were built to accommodate people with disabilities and the elderly. The shopping centres, community centres, and various services have had to be constructed barrier-free, in compliance with the provincial building code. However, due to lack of provincial guidelines, Ottawa does not promote accessible residential communities. Wheelchair users wishing to purchase a home in Ottawa continue to be subjected to blatant discrimination. They cannot even visit homes, let alone reside in a readily accessible unit. And once they have paid for all the adjustments to these new units, they find themselves segregated and marginalized because they cannot even visit a neighbour due to the architectural barriers.

Following further study, the Committee intends to present a motion to waive, reduce or exempt residents and builders from certain building fees if their construction is for the purpose of providing a means of access to the disabled or if the construction is intended

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specifically to be flexible in its design to accommodate the disabled whether as resident or visitor.

10. Reconstruction of Laurier Avenue Bridge

The Committee is providing input to the Region of Ottawa-Carleton design team on improvements to the bridge sidewalks, access ramps, access to the canal and the intersection at Nicholas Street.

11. Consultation with Architects

At the invitation of the architects working on the Sparks Street Mall, Ottawa University Residence and Engineering Buildings and the St. Laurent Shopping Centre, the Committee members met to offer suggestions on improving accessibility of entrances, location of parking spaces, Para-Transpo pick-up, etc.

12. Parking Issues at Private lots

A number of private operators have started to deploy the pay and display ticket dispensing machines which are used in unattended parking lots or after normal working hours. DIAC is particularly concerned about these machines as they pose a barrier to equal access and is in the committee's view a discriminatory practice against persons with disabilities. There is presently a human rights complaint which has been filed against the City as the licensing authority and a private parking lot in the downtown core.

13. Parking Issues at City Controlled Lots

DIAC is also concerned about the City's use of these machines at municipally operated parking lots.

April 13, 2000

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- 2. Update - Memorandum dated April 7, 2000 from Director of Licensing, Transportation and Parking concerning Parking Issues (M.Smith)**

Mise-à-jour - Note de service du directeur des permis, des transports et du stationnement datée du 7 avril 2000 et portant sur le stationnement (M.Smith)

Memo / Note de service

To / Destinataire April 7, 2000
Carole Langford
Advisory Committee Assistant
Department of Corporate Services

From / Expéditeur TAA1100/2000
Richard Hewitt
Director of Licensing, Transportation and
Buildings
Department of Urban Planning and Public
Works

Subject / Objet: Parking Issues

There are two issues which I would like to bring to the attention of the Disability Issues Advisory Committee (DIAC) for comment:

1. Parking On-Street - Facing Wrong Way

Attached is a letter sent to a resident who received two tickets for parking on the left side of a one-way street (facing the wrong way towards oncoming traffic). This person requires the use of a wheelchair, and has indicated that when there are snowbanks, he must park on the left-hand side of the roadway, so his power lift (on the right side of the vehicle) can be lowered into the travelled portion of the roadway, as opposed to side of the road. The tickets in question have been withdrawn. The resident's correspondence to the City on this matter is also attached.

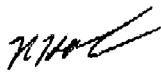
I would like to request that this issue be brought before DIAC for their information, and discussion. We are not aware of any other similar issues or complaints. This is a case where the needs of an individual may be in conflict with rules which have been set out for the safety of the general public. Before investigating this matter in more depth, it would be helpful to obtain an opinion and insight from DIAC on this matter.



2. Curb Depressions at Intersections:

I received a call from a Mr. Philip Major. He was very concerned with design details after attending an information session which was held as part of our current traffic calming evaluation project. Mr. Major was very concerned that the evaluation project was not dealing with what he feels is a critical issue - curb height at sidewalk depressions. After considerable discussion, I stressed that the traffic calming evaluation study is intended to look at traffic calming in a broad sense, and to gauge the level of acceptance, concerns, issues, opinions, etc., of a multitude of roadway users, including the disabled. However, I stated that Mr. Major's concern about the standard half-inch lip at sidewalk ramps was a road design issue, not an issue that the traffic calming evaluation study should or can deal with. I recommended that the proper forum for discussion on his issue would be with DIAC.

Please contact Rob Orchin at extension 3662 to discuss this request further, and the possible timing of a discussion of these issues at DIAC.


/ R.G. Hewitt

RKO:lf
DIAC Memo to Carole Langford Parking Issues.wpd
Attach.

c.c. Tom Keeley
Michelle Gregoire
Mike Murray
Wilf Koppert



March 10, 2000

Mr. Brian McDonald
1298 Lotus Street
Gloucester, ON K1J 8A8

Dear Mr. McDonald:

Subject: Parking Infraction Notices D802831 & D802859

Thank you for your correspondence regarding Parking Infraction Notices D802831 and D802859. Your concerns were forwarded to the Licensing, Transportation and Buildings Branch for further review and direct response.

The Branch can confirm that the tickets were issued for being parked facing the wrong direction, in accordance with section 5(1)(a) of Traffic and Parking By-law 1-96. As mentioned in previous correspondence sent to you concerning this matter, this regulation is meant to ensure vehicles do not pull into on-coming traffic. Further, this regulation is consistent with provisions of the Ontario Highway Traffic Act, which require that a motorist pass only on the right side of an approaching vehicle. Parking on the left side of a two-way street will lead to contraventions of this rule of the road.

The Branch has agreed to review this by-law and enabling legislation further given the concerns you have raised. Due to the time required to complete a full review of the regulation, the Branch has agreed to withdraw your two parking tickets on this occasion. Pending the review, it is requested that you make every attempt to ensure you park in accordance with existing regulations.

I trust this information is of some assistance.

Yours truly,

R.G. Hewitt
Director of Licensing, Transportation and Buildings

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Orchin, Robert

From: Orchin, Robert
Sent: Friday, March 10, 2000 7:56 AM
To: Orchin, Robert
Subject: FW: Tickets D802831 & D802859
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Due By: Wednesday, February 09, 2000 4:00 PM
Flag Status: Flagged

Notes to file.

-----Original Message-----

From: Brian McDonald [mailto:bmcd@home.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2000 7:08 AM
To: Parking_Stationnement
Subject: Re: Tickets D802831 & D802859

Dear Mr. Murray,

I now believe that the City of Ottawa, and possibly the Province of Ontario, does not understand the needs of drivers who must use a wheelchair and the vans some of us drive. Disabled drivers have no other means but to exit vans from the passenger side.

Quoting your comment, you said, "... I do appreciate your inconvenience... ". Well, disabled drivers do not "appreciate" the inconvenience that the City is creating by not understanding that disabled drivers using vans have no choice on which side they park, when parking on the street in the winter. We are safe and courteous drivers.

I believe now, we have no other option but to contest the City's decision to not accomodate disbled drivers' needs under the circumstances outlined in this case.

Be aware that this case could be classified as discriminatory under the Ontario Human Rights Act and the City of Ottawa's requirement to accomodate the needs of disabled drivers.

I formally wish to contest the tickets D802831 and D802859 and hope the Transportation Services board will reconsider.

You can send me the Trial Request form at (613) 748-4173.

Thank you,
 Brian McDonald

Parking_Stationnement wrote:

Dear Mr. MacDonald,

Thank you for your correspondence regarding parking tickets received on January

2000 03 10

17 and 18, 2000. The City of Ottawa can confirm that the tickets were issued in accordance with Traffic and Parking By-law 1-96 and may not be withdrawn.

Vehicles parked facing the wrong direction must by extension pull into on-coming traffic which is contrary to the Highway Traffic Act. While I do appreciate the inconvenience you may face in parking on the street during winter months, it is not likely that this particular by-law would be changed due to the safety concerns associated with authorizing vehicles to park and drive opposite the flow of traffic. I am however, forwarding your message to Transportation Services for further review.

With respect to the parking tickets in question, you may choose to contest them in court. Should you wish to do so, arrangements can be made to accept your requests by fax given your physical disabilities. Please forward your fax number where we can send the Trial Request form.

I trust this information is of some assistance.

Yours truly,

Michael Murray
Team Leader, First Attendance Facility

-----Original Message-----

From: Brian McDonald [mailto:bmcd@home.com]
Sent: Friday, January 21, 2000 2:41 PM
To: parking@city.ottawa.on.ca
Subject: RE: Tickets D802831 & D802859

Hi,

On the morning of January 17th, 2000, at -48C, my vehicle (license 982SFY) parked on Nolan St. would not start due to the cold weather. I received ticket D802831 for "Parking facing the wrong direction". Due to the extreme cold weather and having to get a Para-Transpo bus (which requires 24-hours in-advance for service), I was unable to get to the vehicle and I received another ticket D802859 since I was only able to move my vehicle on the afternoon of January 18th, 2000.

I am a quadriplegic in a wheelchair and had my disabled parking permit fully displayed on my sun visor. During the winter months, when I've had to park on the street, I do not have any other option but to park on the south side of the street that lets me exit my vehicle via my wheelchair lift (on the passenger's side) because of snow build-up along the curbs on the north side of the street.

I think that the City of Ottawa has a duty to accommodate my needs under the above circumstances, and I would appreciate having the tickets cleared from my record and possibly the By-Law 1-96 5(1)(A) adjusted accordingly to allow disabled drivers who must exit solely from the passenger side be exempt from this by-law during winter months.

Please contact me immediately at my phone number below so we can resolve the above claim.

If you need any further information, I'd be happy to assist you.

2000-03-10

October 8, 1999

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3. Committee Objectives year 2000

- Outline of Presentation on DIAC's Role (M.Brady)

Les objectifs l'an 2000 du comité

- Grandes lignes de l'exposé sur le rôle du Comité consultatif sur les handicaps (M.Brady)

**Year 2000 Objectives
for the
Disability Issues Advisory Committee**

<i>OBJECTIVES</i>	<i>PROGRAMS/MISCELLANEOUS</i>	<i>MEMBER/SUB-COMMITTEE NAME</i>
1. Working with the CAO's Office		
2. Working with UPPW on Task Force on Accessibility and; Accessibility Audit		
3. DIAC Forum		

<i>OBJECTIVES</i>	<i>PROGRAMS/MISCELLANEOUS</i>	<i>MEMBER/SUB-COMMITTEE NAME</i>
4. Provide advice to Council		
5. Represent TAC Represent ACED		
6. Breaking Barriers Award		
7. Organize an event to foster cross-disability cooperation; set common goals between groups		

Outline of Presentation on DIAC's Role
DRAFT

1. What is it?

- a) Mandate
- b) Composition
- c) Brief History

2. Goals and Objectives

(See Annual Report)

3. Current Focus

- a) Consultant, advisor to Council
- b) Site Plan Review
- c) Advisory Role on Taxi Committee
- d) Liaison with Equity and Diversity Committee
- e) Transition to new Municipal Structure

4. Major Issues

- a) Awareness.....training councillors and municipal staff of new city ;creating award to recognize developers, architects whose design is noteworthy for its sensitivity to the needs of the disabled
- b) Accessibility to Facilities... program to audit public facilities and assign a rating of their accessibility; promoting the posting of a sign on premises based on Hotel Canada access symbol standards and publishing such info. in tourist guides and other media
- c) Ontario Disabilities Act....
ensuring all stakeholders are consulted, providing input to provincial ODA committee
- d) Taxi Service to Disabled Community... revision to provincial law(s) giving municipalities freedom to create a separate class of licensees whose primary role is to serve the disabled community
- e) Promotion of Barrier Free Housing Design for new or renovated houses... waiver/reduction of building permit fees
- f) Appropriate Number of Disabled Parking Spaces in Public and Private lots...revision to municipal bylaw: space credit to owners who exceed minimum requirements
- g) Deficiencies in legislation, building codes e.g. all new public parking garages should be barrier free
- h) Presence of access barriers in major public facilities e.g. shopping malls
- i) Para Transpo service...identifying deficiencies e.g. St. Laurent Shopping Centre pick-up of movie patrons in the evening

