

Toronto Accessibility Advisory Committee

Meeting No. 11

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Meeting Date Friday, May 9, 2025

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Start Time 9:30 AM

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Location Committee Room 1, City Hall/Video Conference

Chair Councillor Jamaal Myers

DI11.1	Presentation	Amended		Ward: All
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Pedestrian Streets Policy and Guidelines Development - Accessibility Feedback

Committee Decision

The Toronto Accessibility Advisory Committee recommends that the Infrastructure and Environment Committee recommend that:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services to conduct an analysis of alternative routes and detours with identification of accessible pick-up/drop-off areas in within 30 metres of the pedestrian zones to support people with disabilities who may require vehicular access, as part of the Pedestrian Streets Policy and Guidelines Development.

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Senior Project Manager, Strategic Policy and Initiatives, Transportation Services gave a presentation on Pedestrian Streets Policy and Guidelines.

Summary

At its meeting on May 9, 2025, the Toronto Accessibility Advisory Committee considered Item [DI11.1](#) and made a recommendation to City Council.

Summary from the Toronto Accessibility Advisory Committee:

Ryan O'Connor, Senior Project Manager, Strategic Policy and Initiatives, Transportation Services will give a presentation on Pedestrian Streets Policy And Guidelines Development - Accessibility Feedback.

Transportation Services is developing a new policy to guide the Division's approach to responding to opportunities to pedestrianize existing streets. This initiative will establish tools and direction for staff to determine the feasibility of pedestrianizing a particular street on a seasonal or permanent basis, as well as guidelines to ensure that the design, use, and ongoing maintenance of these pedestrian spaces align with existing City objectives and standards. This presentation will update Toronto Accessibility Advisory Committee members on the progress made so far and provide an opportunity to offer input before the policy is finalized in late 2025.

Background Information

Revised Presentation from the Senior Project Manager, Strategic Policy and Initiatives,
Transportation Services on Pedestrian Streets Policy And Guidelines

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2025/di/bgrd/backgroundfile-255218.pdf>)

Communications

(May 6, 2025) E-mail from Arthur Smith (DI.Supp)

(May 7, 2025) Letter from Robert Zaichkowski (DI.Supp)

(May 9, 2025) E-mail from Nicole Corrado (DI.New)

(May 9, 2025) E-mail from Adam Rodgers (DI.New)