

To: Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

From: Trish Reed, Accessibility and Communication Specialist

Meeting Date: September 6, 2017

Subject: Report AAC17-052

International Day of Persons with Disabilities 2017

Purpose

A report to seek input from the Accessibility Advisory Committee on the 2017 International Day of Persons with Disabilities celebration.

Recommendation

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendation outlined in Report AAC17-052 dated September 6, 2017, of the Accessibility and Communication Specialist as follows:

That the AAC provide input on the 2017 International Day of Persons with Disabilities celebration.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

International Day of Persons with Disabilities is marked around the world annually on December 3, to promote awareness and mobilize support for critical issues pertaining to the inclusion of persons with disabilities in society and development.

In 2016, the Accessibility Office and the Art Gallery of Peterborough (Gallery) hosted an event to celebrate International Day of Persons with Disabilities at the Gallery.

As part of the event, the winners of the first Accessible Peterborough Photo Contest (Contest) were revealed. The winning photos were featured at the Gallery until January 2017. The Contest aimed at highlighting accessible places, spaces and experiences in the City of Peterborough.

The Contest entry period was open from October 1, 2016 to November 15, 2016. Photos could be entered into two categories:

- 1. Inclusive Indoors: This category included photos that highlighted the inclusive indoors. The indoor spaces used in the photo must be of a facility owned or operated by the City of Peterborough. For example a photo could have included people participating in an inclusive indoor program or highlighted an indoor accessible feature.
- 2. Integrated Outdoor Experiences: This category included photos that highlighted accessibility in outdoor spaces or outdoor amenities owned or operated by the City of Peterborough. For example a photo could have included people participating in an accessible outdoor program or highlighted an outdoor accessible feature.

The Accessibility Office is seeking input on the 2017 International Day of Persons with Disabilities celebration.

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