



Durham Region Transit Report

To: Durham Region Transit Executive Committee
From: General Manager, Durham Region Transit
Report: #2025-DRT-17
Date: October 8, 2025

Subject:

Appointment of member to the Durham Region Transit Advisory Committee

Recommendations:

That the Durham Region Transit Executive Committee (TEC) appoint Mariam Gulban-Maskell, a representative from a community group representing persons with disabilities in Durham Region, to the Transit Advisory Committee (TAC) for the remainder of the current term of Council.

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to obtain approval from TEC as set out in the [Terms of Reference](#) for representation on TAC.

2. Background

2.1 As per its [Terms of Reference](#), TAC is comprised of 17 members in total (16 voting and one non-voting), including a representative from each area municipality.

2.2 The previously appointed member from a community group recently resigned, and a new application was received on September 9, 2025.

3. Previous Reports and Decisions

3.1 2023-DRT-09 Appointment of members to the Durham Region Transit Advisory Committee

3.2 2023-DRT-11 Appointment of members to the Durham Region Transit Advisory Committee

3.3 2023-DRT-19 Appointment of member to the Durham Region Transit Advisory Committee

3.4 2024-DRT-06 Appointment of member to the Durham Region Transit Advisory Committee

4. Financial

4.1 There are no financial impacts associated with this report.

5. Relationship to Strategic Plan

5.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following Strategic Direction(s) and Pathway(s) in Durham Region's 2025-2035 Strategic Plan:

a. Connected and Vibrant Communities

- C3. Improve public transit system connectivity, reliability, and competitiveness.

b. Strong Relationships

- S1. Enhance inclusive opportunities for community engagement and meaningful collaboration.
- S3. Collaborate across local area municipalities, with agencies, non-profits, and community partners to deliver co-ordinated and efficient services.

5.2 This report aligns with/addresses the following Foundation(s) in Durham Region's 2025-2035 Strategic Plan:

a. People: Making the Region of Durham a great place to work, attracting, and retaining talent.

b. Processes: Continuously improving processes to ensure we are responsive to community needs.

6. Conclusion

It is recommended that the Transit Executive Committee appoint the representative from The Participation House Project to the Transit Advisory Committee as set out in this report.

7. Attachments

Confidential Attachment #1: Application received

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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Recommended for Presentation to Committee

Original signed by

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