



## **Minutes Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC)**

**Tuesday, June 18, 2024, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**  
**Hybrid in-person and virtual meeting**

- Members:
- L. Root, Chair
  - K. Beitz
  - A. Cameron, Vice-Chair
  - S. Cooper-Webb
  - S. Ferguson Prior
  - E. Lowenger
  - C. Lytle
  - D. McMurdo
  - B. McPherson
  - T. Stevens
  - D. Stienstra
- Members Absent
- M. Ashkewe
  - Z. Jacobs
  - J. Popkey
  - J.Svehla
- Staff:
- S. Boghossian, Accessibility Services Coordinator
  - L. Warren, Project Specialist, Accessibility
  - K. Wazonek, Accessibility Services Coordinator
  - L. Blanchard, Route Supervisor
  - T. Hanna, Park Planner
  - J. Kay, Project Engineer
  - S. Taylor, Consultant - BT Engineering
  - E. Barber, Board and Committee Coordinator
  - J. Tang, Legislative Coordinator
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### **1. Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

**1.1 Indigenous Territorial Acknowledgement**

Chair Root provided the Indigenous Territorial Acknowledgement.

**1.2 Disclosure of Conflict of Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no disclosures or conflicts declared.

**1.3 Approval of Agenda**

Moved by: Member McPherson  
Seconded by: Member Stienstra

That the June 18, 2024 Accessibility Advisory Committee Agenda be approved.

Carried

**1.4 Approval of Minutes**

Moved by: Member Cameron  
Seconded by: Member Ferguson Prior

That the May 21, 2024 meeting minutes be approved.

Carried

**2. Consent Agenda**

Moved by: Member Cameron  
Seconded by: Member Lytle

That the June 18, 2024 AAC Consent Agenda identified below be adopted.

Carried

**2.1 TaxiSCRIP Program Update**

**2.2 Site Plan Internal Review Report**

### **3. Committee Items**

#### **3.1 Addition of an intersectionality approach in the Multi Year Accessibility Plan**

Leanne Warren, Project Specialist, Accessibility Services, presented the Addition of an intersectionality approach in the Multi Year Accessibility Plan.

Moved by: Member Stienstra

Seconded by: Member Lytle

1. The AAC recommend the proposed addition to the Multi Year Accessibility Plan with the following changes:
  - Removing the language “thereby recognizing the individuality of each person” and consider adding the following to the last sentence: “and encourages the city in its data collection, engagement practices, policy analysis and development to make this a living and breathing vision.”

Carried

#### **3.2 Guelph Transit: Follow-up Regarding Introduction of Chime Sound on Conventional Buses**

Lindsay Blanchard, Route Supervisor, presented the follow-up regarding the introduction of chime sound(s) on conventional buses.

Moved by: Member Beitz

Seconded by: Member Cameron

1. That the Accessibility Advisory Committee receive the report named "Update 2 - Introduction of Chime Sound on Conventional Buses" provided by Laura Catalano-Bragues.
2. That the AAC Recommend extending the length of Chime #1, and recommend both chime options as acceptable.

Carried

### **3.3 New Guelph Junction Railway (GJR) Multi-Use Trail: Woolwich Street to Woodlawn Road**

Moved by: Member Lytle

Seconded by: Member McPherson

1. That the Accessibility Advisory Committee support the preliminary design of the Guelph Junction Railway Multi-Use Trail from Woolwich Street to Woodlawn Road and consider adding accessible signage to help with the awareness of the length of the trail until the next accessible exit from the trail.

Carried

### **3.4 Emma Street to Earl Street Active Transportation Bridge**

Jackie Kay, Project Engineer and Steve Taylor, Consultant, presented the Emma Street to Earl Street Active Transportation Bridge.

Moved by: Member Lytle

Seconded by: Member Cameron

1. That the AAC receive the report for the Emma Street to Earl Street Active Transportation Bridge and have no further recommendations.

Carried

## **4. Announcements**

Sarah Boghossian, Accessibility Services Coordinator provided the Committee with the following announcements:

- The Design of Public Spaces Standards Development Committee [recommendations](#) are now posted for public feedback. [Share your feedback](#) on these initial recommendations to help make the design of public spaces more accessible. The feedback deadline is August 29, 2024.

- AAC Meeting Calendar Holds

Kealee Wazonek, Accessibility Services Coordinator introduced themselves as the new additional Accessibility Coordinator.

Elizabeth Barber, Board and Committee Coordinator provided the Committee with a staffing update.

## **5. Adjournment**

Moved by: Member Cameron

Seconded by: Member Lowenger

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

Carried

## **6. Next Meetings and Future Topics**

Next Meetings:

Tuesday, August 20 from 3-5 p.m.

Tuesday, October 15 from 3-5 p.m.

Tuesday, December 17 from 3-5 p.m.

Future Topics:

- Recreation Inclusion Programming
- Playground Replacement Project
- Heritage Conservation District Project Plan and Guidelines
- Active Transportation Wayfinding Strategy
- AAC Handbook - Appendix A