Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes

Electronic Meeting

March 4, 2026

Present	Carolyn Buntin Morgan Carl Sarah Hurley Phil Mechetuk, Chair Kinjal Shukla-Clement Patrick Steeves Melissa Wilson
Regrets	Patrick Fuellbeck Talia Nepotiuk
Staff	Chelsey Gray, Service Area Manager, Indoor Recreation Facilities Lauren Kubilis, Planner, Urban Design Brian McCaw, Manager, Facilities Asset and Energy Sean Nailer, Parks and Recreation Project Manager Carley Nhem, Program Manager, Accessibility Standards and Integration Kendra Sedgwick, Committee Support Specialist Mary Kate Whibbs, Operations Support Manager, Park & Zoo

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Land Acknowledgement

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Sarah Hurley

That the minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting of February 4, 2026 be approved.

Carried

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of Pecuniary Interest.

Presentations

Access Fund Request, Report AAC26-006

Moved by Carolyn Buntin

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee approve the recommendations outlined in Report ACC26-006, dated March 4, 2026, of the Program Manager Accessibility Standards and Integration as follows:

a) That a presentation from the Service Area Manager, Recreation Facilities and Parks be received for information.

b) That an Access Fund request for $18,330 be approved for the purchase of 6 emergency evacuation chairs at all multi floor recreation facilities. Facilities include:

i. McDonnel Street Community Centre
ii. Miskin Law Community Centre
iii. Kinsmen Arena
iv. Healthy Planet Arena
v. Peterborough Memorial Centre

Carried

Access Fund Request for Training, Report AAC26-004

Moved by Carolyn Buntin

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendations outlined in Report AAC26-004, dated March 4, 2026 of the Program Manager, Accessibility Standards and Integration as follows:

a) That a presentation from the Program Manager, Accessibility Standards and Integration, about the Access Fund Requests, be received for information;

b) That an Access Fund Request in the amount of $1,695.00 be approved for the Abilities Centre to provide a workshop that will provide understanding of key models of disability; differentiate between essential concepts such as inclusion, diversity, accessibility, and universal design; evaluate the strengths and limitations of transactional versus transformational change in advancing accessibility; and recognize the distinction between person-first and identity-first language, along with the important role language plays in promoting respectful and meaningful disability inclusion.

Carried

Riverview Park and Zoo Accessible Playground Presentation, Report AAC26-005

Moved by Sarah Hurley

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendation outlined in Report AAC26-005, dated March 4, 2026, of the Parks and Recreation Project Manager as follows:

That the presentation to provide an update on the Accessible Playground project be received for information.

Carried

Site Plan Reviews, Report AAC26-007

Moved by Sarah Hurley

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendations outlined in Report AAC26-007, dated March 04, 2026, of the Program Manager, Accessibility Standards and Integration as follows:

a) That the AAC select the Site Plan Control (SPC) applications outlined in Appendix A that they wish to review.

b) That a presentation from the Planning, Development and Urban Design Division regarding SPC the AAC selects, be received for information.

c) That the AAC provide feedback on the SPC applications selected.

Carried

Other Business

The Committee had a discussion regarding snow clearing at transit stops. Staff will follow up with Public Works.

Next Meeting - April 1, 2026

Adjournment

Moved by Carolyn Buntin

That this meeting be adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Carried

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Kendra Sedgwick

Committee Support Specialist

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Phil Mechetuk

Chair