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Town of Aurora
Memorandum
Corporate Services

Re: Town of Aurora Multi-Year Accessibility Plan 2022 – 2026

To: Accessibility Advisory Committee

From: Mateusz Zawada, Accessibility Advisor

Date: November 10, 2021

Recommendation

1. That the memorandum regarding Town of Aurora Multi-Year Accessibility Plan 2022 – 2026 be received; and
2. That the Accessibility Advisory Committee comments regarding Town of Aurora Multi-Year Accessibility Plan 2022 – 2026 be received and referred to staff for consideration and further action as appropriate.

Background

In 2005, the Ontario government passed the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (A.O.D.A) with the objective of improving accessibility for Ontarians by identifying, removing and preventing barriers faced by persons with disabilities by 2025. A requirement under the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulations (I.A.S.R) is that designated public sector organizations shall establish, review and update their accessibility plans in consultation with persons with disabilities and their Accessibility Advisory Committee.

The development of the new Multi-Year Accessibility Plan illustrates how the Town will be implementing the legislative requirements of the A.O.D.A and is established in compliance with the requirements in the I.A.S.R. It is organized around the following standards:

- Customer Service
- Information and Communications
- Employment
- Transportation
- Design of Public Spaces

The new draft plan has been developed based on best practice research, input from the Town's 2018 – 2022 Accessibility Advisory Committee and Town staff. Furthermore, the Town will seek input from the public through virtual public consultations, website feedback, social media, questions and a survey. The public consultation will begin on November 1 through to December 3, 2021. A report of the findings will be drafted and sent to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for comments and discussion.

Attachments

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