

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**Monday, June 22, 2020****6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Present:**Committee Members:**

Kim McDonald	Voting Member
John Vrolijk	Voting Member
Brenda Frederick	Voting Member
Floyd House	Voting Member
Councilor Katie Berghofer	Non-voting Member

Administration:

Lona Leiren	Non-voting Member
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Absent:

Susan Mynzak	Voting Member
Rashelle Babij	Voting Member
Andre Duteau	Voting Member
Councilor Linton Delainey	Non-voting Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.

2. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / CHANGES TO AGENDA

The Chair called for additions/deletions/changes to the agenda.

The Vice Chair shared that the speaker was unable to attend due to unforeseen circumstances.

MOVED by: F. House

THAT the June 22, 2020 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting agenda be adopted as presented and changed.

Carried Unanimously

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED by: Kim McDonald

THAT the May 25, 2020 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved.

Carried Unanimously

4. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA – ENABLING ACCESSIBILITY FUND

A letter was forwarded by the Chair to Keven Glebe, Interim Chief Commissioner regarding a Federal funding opportunity for projects to improve accessibility in the workplace and the community. This was forwarded to relevant Strathcona Departments with a request to also distribute it to relevant community partners.

SCOOP AAC ACCESSIBILITY SURVEY RESULTS

The Committee reviewed quantitative and qualitative survey results from the SCOOP AAC Accessibility Survey. There were 265 respondents to the survey.

The "Top 3" things Strathcona County could do to improve services echoed themes from AAC's May 26 presentation to Council: training staff to effectively interact with people with different types of disabilities; making sure accessibility is considered when planning different types of events and invite attendees to communicate needs; incorporate accessibility design, criteria and features when planning Strathcona County policies, services, facilities and spaces.

THE 2021/2022 AAC MANDATE LETTER – AAC INPUT FOR CONSIDERATION

The Committee identified the following areas of interest for consideration in drafting the AAC 2021/22 mandate letter:

- Input into the three Strathcona County Covid-19 Task Forces on accessibility considerations (e.g., persons with disabilities)
- Input into the Diversity and Inclusion Policy implementation plans across Strathcona County Departments to ensure an accessibility lens is embedded
- Input into Strathcona County's specific plans for internal and external infrastructure development, construction and renovations to ensure an accessibility lens is embedded

REPORTS

The Committee was provided with updates on relevant Council activities including:

- Review of the proposed Multi-Use Agricultural Facility design which now incorporates AAC accessibility recommendations
- Recruitment of the new Chief Administrative Officer Darrell Reid

5. WORKPLAN UPDATE

Work plan

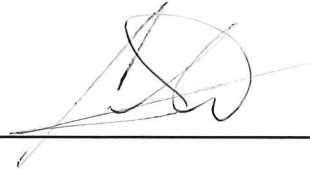
- Steve Curtis, Salvi Group to be rescheduled
- Tony Flores, Advocate for Persons with Disabilities, Government of Alberta to attend September 28 meeting
- Rescheduling disability awareness event with Council and Voice of Albertans explored for the fall of 2020

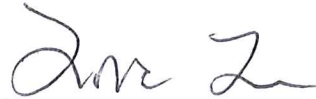
NEXT MEETING

September 28, 2020, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Microsoft Teams Meeting

6. ADJOURNMENT

Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.



Chair

Staff Liaison

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**Monday October 26, 2020****6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Present: **Committee Members:**
Kim McDonald Voting Member
John Vrolijk Voting Member
Rashelle Babij Voting Member
Brenda Frederick Voting Member
Floyd House Voting Member
Councilor Katie Berghofer Non-voting Member
Councilor Linton Delaine Non-voting Member

Administration:
Lona Leiren Non-voting Member

Absent: Susan Mynzak Voting Member
 Andre Duteau Voting Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

2. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / CHANGES TO AGENDA

The Chair called for additions/deletions/changes to the agenda.

MOVED by: Kim McDonald

THAT the October 26, 2020 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting agenda be adopted as presented

Carried Unanimously

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED by: Rashelle Babij

THAT the Sept. 2, 2020 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved
Carried Unanimously

4. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

OCTOBER. 14 VOICES OF ALBERTANS WITH DISABILITIES Debrief

The Oct. 14 session was discussed. Members found the lived experience and information shared to be engaging and informative, and that more County specific observations or recommendations would have been beneficial. Members were reminded to submit their evaluations.

RECAPPING/CAPTURING LEARNING AND EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES AAC Mandate items 5, 6, 7 and 8

Chair Vrolijk reviewed a summary of AAC learning to date for fourth quarter 2020 AAC mandate items.

Members highlighted the importance of information/awareness on emerging priority needs of persons facing accessibility challenges, and transparent mechanisms for individual citizens to identify barriers or challenges.

The availability of affordable accessible housing was identified as an example of a priority need for young adults, families and seniors; this includes citizens who face challenges today, as well as those who will seek affordable accessible housing in the near future (e.g., today's teens and seniors who will be seeking different affordable accessible housing options over the next five to ten years, and who prefer to remain close to personal networks in the County).

REPORTS

The Committee was provided with updates on relevant Council activities including:

- The Governance Advisory Committee has completed its interviews; 85 applications were received for Board and Committee roles.
- The Strathcona County's Face Coverings Bylaw will be reviewed this week for possible extension through March 2021.
- The on-line County survey to obtain resident views on a proposed fieldhouse closes October 28.
- The COVID-19 Citizen and Community Support Task Force released four public awareness vignettes; all portray real-life issues faced by many residents and provide information on where to seek help. The Task Force is also working with local stakeholders to secure additional bookable study space for County students which meets Covid-19 public health requirements.

5. WORKPLAN UPDATE

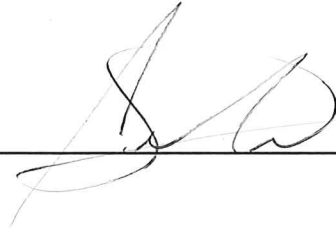
The virtual fall summit of the Seniors, Youth, Accessibility and Community Living Advisory Committees is scheduled for November 26 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETINGS

- Four Committee Summit: November 26, 2020 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. (Zoom meeting)
- AAC (additional meeting) Dec. 14, 2020 6:30-8:30 p.m. (Microsoft Teams Meeting)

6. ADJOURNMENT

Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.



Chair

Staff Liaison