

## COMMITTEE MINUTES

### KINGSVILLE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 @ 4:30 P.M. via Webex

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor L. Patterson called the Meeting to order at 4:34 p.m. with the following persons in attendance:

#### MEMBERS OF KINGSVILLE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Councillor L. Patterson Andrew Banar Jackie Barraco Stephanie Olewski

**MEMBERS OF ADMINISTRATION:** Roberta Baines, Deputy Clerk – Administrative

Services

Absent: Chris Anson (on personal business)

#### **B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Councillor L. Patterson reminded the Committee that any declaration is to be made prior to each items being discussed and to identify the nature of the conflict, if any, as the agenda items come forward.

#### C. BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE/DELEGATION

There were none.

#### D. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Kingsville Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – June 17, 2021

KAAC 06-2021 Moved by Stephanie Olewski, seconded by Jackie Barraco to

receive the minutes of the Kingsville Accessibility Advisory

Committee Meeting dated June 17, 2021

**CARRIED** 



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#### E. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### 1. Mobi Mat Letter

Members reviewed and discussed the draft mobi mat letter. Members agreed that this item should be included in the 2022 budget. Chair Patterson advised that there could be a potential partnership with a local club on the purchase of one of these mats with Cedar Island beach in mind for the ideal location.

#### 2. Letter to Open Streets event

Members reviewed the draft letter to open streets. Members discussed the importance of the committee as being a resource and that accessibility shouldn't be an afterthought. The purpose is to increase awareness and to be inclusive. Andrew (Karen), Jackie and Stephanie will work on fine-tuning the letter.

There was discussion regarding other events and/or projects where the accessibility committee was not consulted on. Members agreed that it would be respectable to be consulted on any future Town sponsored events like Migration Festival to help create a barrier-free event.

Members also discussed the issue of not being included on the plans review for the Lakeside Park splash pad and washroom facility before it went to Council. The example of the London art gallery was highlighted as an accessibility nightmare. Members agreed that a motion be made to bring accessibility into the forefront ensuring compliance.

KAAC 07-2021

Moved by Jackie Barraco, seconded by Andrew Banar to recommend to Administration that the heading "Accessibility" be added to staff Reports to Council to show that consultation with the accessibility committee had occurred and/or that the AODA Integrated Accessibility Standards were complied with.

**CARRIED** 

3. Accessibility Plus 2021 Virtual Conference Oct 12-14, 2021

For information purposes.



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4.	Letter from the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee dated July 22,	2021
	re: Importance of Sidewalks	

For information purposes.

#### 5. Ridgeview Park

Chair Patterson advised members that he had received concerns from a resident regarding Ridgeview Park. The concerns were regarding having to push a wheelchair while navigating speed bumps in the driveway and the surface of the walkway trail. Committee members agreed that these concerns be forwarded to the Facilities Manager for review.

#### F. NEXT MEETING DATE

1. The next meeting of the Kingsville Accessibility Advisory Committee shall take place sometime before year end.

#### G. ADJOURNMENT

**KAAC 08-2021** 

Moved by Stephanie Olewski, seconded by Andrew Banar to adjourn this Meeting at 5:31 p.m.

O/ARTICLE .
CHAIR, Larry Patterson
DEPUTY CLERK-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES,
Roberta Baines

CAPPIED