Committee Room A City Hall, Saskatoon, SK March 14, 2014 at 12:00 Noon

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SASKATOON ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

PRESENT: Mr. Robin East, Chair @ 12:40 p.m. Ms. Jeanette Dean Director of Community Development Lacroix Director of Facilities and Fleet Management Halstead Ms. Gladys Kozlow Ms. Janice Dawson Councillor Mairin Loewen Mr. J.D. McNabb Ms. Odette Nicholson Kathy O'Brien, Committee Secretary

1. <u>Minutes</u>

<u>RESOLVED</u>: that the minutes of meeting held on January 10, 2014, be approved.

2. Taxi Bylaw (File No. CK. 307-1)

Revenue Collection Manager Buness, Corporate Revenue Division, was in attendance to give an update on Taxi Bylaw 9070 which was passed by City Council at its meeting held on February 10, 2014.

Ms. Buness advised that there are now 16 accessible taxi cabs in Saskatoon divided amongst the three taxi companies. Monitoring and data collection is on-going.

Ms. Buness responded to questions of Committee members.

<u>RESOLVED</u>: that the information be received.

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3. Terms of Reference – Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee (File No. CK. 225-70)

The Committee Secretary submitted a copy of the Terms of Reference for the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee.

The Committee briefly discussed the Terms of Reference. It was noted that the action plan for the Committee was outdated. It was suggested that the matter be brought forward to the next meeting of the Committee for comment.

<u>RESOLVED</u>: that the Accessibility Action Plan be discussed at the next meeting of the Committee.

4. 2013 Annual Report – Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee (File No. CK. 225-70)

The Committee Secretary distributed a draft copy of the 2013 Annual Report of the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee.

A typo was noted on the last page of the document.

<u>RESOLVED</u>: that the corrected Annual Report of the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee be forwarded to the Executive Committee to be submitted to City Council.

Mr. Robin East entered the meeting at 12:40 p.m. during discussion of this matter.

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5. Report of Access Transit Manager (File No. CK. 225-70

This is a standing item on the agenda. Access Transit Manager, Robinson provided the following for the information of the Committee:

- Annual Report of Access Transit would be before City Council in due course
- Three new buses had been ordered (these are replacement buses)

<u>RESOLVED</u>: that the information be received.

6. Matters for Follow Up (File No. CK. 225-70)

This is a standing item on the agenda. The Committee Secretary submitted a copy of the Committee's follow-up list for review.

It was noted that there had been no recent updates on the matters of snow removal or accessible parking.

Accessible Pedestrian Signals

Mr. East provided an update regarding audible pedestrian signals advising progress was on-going.

Calling out Bus Stops

Mr. East indicated that this remains at an unsatisfactory level with few drivers consistently calling out bus stops. While the automated system should be in place by the end of May 2014, until then, as well as times when the equipment is not functional, operators are to call out bus stops.

Kinsmen Park Update

This item will be added to the Committee Matters for Follow Up.

A suggestion was made that a member of the administration be invited to attend a future meeting of the Committee to showcase plans for the park pertaining to accessibility.

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City of Saskatoon Website

A member of the administration will be invited to a future meeting of the Committee to provide updates on the new website as it pertains to accessibility.

<u>RESOLVED</u>: that the information be received, and that members of the Administration be invited to future meetings of the Committee to provide updates.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Mr. Robin East, Chair