

Committee Room "A"
City Hall, Saskatoon, SK
Friday, May 9, 2014
at 12:00 noon

MINUTES

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SASKATOON ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

PRESENT: Mr. Robin East, Chair
Mr. J.D. McNabb, Vice-Chair
Ms. Janice Dawson
Councillor T. Davis
Ms. Jeanette Dean
Ms. Gladys Kozlow
Ms. Odette Nicholson
Director of Community Development Lacroix
Access Transit Supervisor Zavialez
Traffic Management Engineer Matt
Committee Secretary O'Brien

1. Minutes

RESOLVED: that the minutes of meeting held on April 11, 2014, be approved.

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

Ms. Tina Zavialez, Access Transit Supervisor, attended the meeting on behalf of Jamie Robinson, Manager, Access Transit.

Ms. Zavialez provided a verbal update on the equipment now installed in all but 24 of the City's fleet of transit buses.

RESOLVED: that the information be received.

3. Outstanding List
(File No. CK. 225-70)

Snow Removal

Janket Patel, Operations Engineer, Transportation and Utilities Department, was present to provide an update to the Committee on snow removal. Mr. Patel provided a brief overview on current practices, highlighting what had changed this past year. He then answered questions put forth by Committee members.

Accessible Audible Signals

Mr. Andy Livingston, Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission and Mr. Goran Lazic, City of Saskatoon, Transportation Division, were present to discuss a Letter of Understanding between The City of Saskatoon and The Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission with respect to accessible audible signals. The letter is in draft form at present. 87 of 275 signals are presently outfitted with the equipment. All new systems are fitted with the accessible equipment as well as at least five retrofits yearly.

Discussion ensued regarding information contained in the letter, on-going maintenance of systems, prioritization of retrofits and public awareness.

Disabled Parking

Update provided at last meeting; nothing new to report.

Calling out Bus Stops

Dealt with earlier – automatic equipment nearly completely in place.

Kinsmen Park Upgrade

Update provided at last meeting; nothing new to report.

Saskatoon Field House Accessibility

Sidewalks from College Drive to the Field House are planned in conjunction with a hotel that is being built across College Drive from the Field House.

City of Saskatoon Website

Update provided at last meeting; nothing new to report.

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Mendel Art Gallery Site

Update provided at last meeting; nothing new to report.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

4. Disability Strategy Consultation
(File No. CK. 225-70)

Committee Members Odette Nicholson and J-D McNabb attended a recent session and provided brief updates on their experiences and answered questions from other members.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

The meeting adjourned at 1:05pm.

Mr. Robin East, Chair