



**City of Kingston  
Information Report to Choose committee  
Report Number MAAC-21-006**

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**To:** Chair and Members of the Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee

**From:** Brad Joyce, Commissioner, Corporate Services

**Resource Staff:** Speros Kanellos, Director, Facilities Management & Construction Services

**Date of Meeting:** June 3, 2021

**Subject:** Facilities Management & Construction Services MAAC Update

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**Council Strategic Plan Alignment:**

Theme: Corporate business

Goal: See above

**Executive Summary:**

This report summarizes the recent activities throughout the City relating to Facilities Management and Construction Services construction projects that have started or will be this year.

Due to ongoing challenges related to COVID-19, some of our focus has continued to shift from new construction projects to other priorities. While we work through to the challenging task of future reopening our facilities for staff and visitors, we will ensure accessibility remains a top priority.

**Recommendation:**

This report is for information only.

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**Authorizing Signatures:**

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**Brad Joyce, Commissioner,  
Corporate Services**

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**Lanie Hurdle, Chief  
Administrative Officer**

**Consultation with the following Members of the Corporate Management Team:**

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| Paige Agnew, Commissioner, Community Services                   | Not required |
| Peter Huigenbos, Commissioner, Business, Environment & Projects | Not required |
| Jim Keech, President & CEO, Utilities Kingston                  | Not required |
| Desirée Kennedy, Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer       | Not required |
| Sheila Kidd, Commissioner, Transportation & Public Works        | Not required |

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**Options/Discussion:**

The Facilities Management and Construction Services (FMCS) department is responsible for the renovations, construction and maintenance of City owned buildings and properties. It serves to ensure citizens, employees, elected officials, and visitors have safe, comfortable, and efficient facilities in which to carry out civic activities. All work is planned to meet the Facilities Accessibility Design Standards (FADS) wherever feasibly possible. Below is a list of key accessibility items addressed in recently completed, current, and future construction projects.

**City Hall Fire Protection Upgrades (Ongoing)**

This project was divided into multiple phases. The first phase of fire alarm replacement is now complete, and the first phase of sprinkler/standpipe upgrades is underway. Given that the initial work is generally concealed and does not involve installation of new pull stations or audible and visible signaling devices, a MAAC rep was not requested to be assigned.

A MAAC rep would need to be assigned for future phase(s) of work which will likely proceed in 2022 as audible and visible signalling devices will be installed during this phase.

**City Hall Restoration of North and South Exterior Exit Stairs (Summer - Fall 2021)**

This project involves restoration of the exterior stone masonry stairs leading down to Ontario Street from the exit stairwells at Council and Memorial Hall wings. Given that this project is generally considered maintenance and no reconfiguration of the exits will be undertaken, a MAAC rep was not requested to be assigned.

**City Hall Market Street Ramp Structural Repairs (Fall 2021)**

This project involves concrete repairs to the suspended slab as well planters around the south side of the building. While no permanent modifications to the ramp or entrance will be made, a MAAC rep should be assigned for this project as it will involve temporary closure of this accessible entrance. Installation of a temporary ramp at the door to Market wing is being considered to provide an alternate accessible entrance to the ground floor during the closure. The closure is anticipated to last for two to three months.

**Wayfinding Signage, City Hall (Fall 2021)**

Phase one of this project is complete, which includes the interior main floor of City Hall. Phase two is anticipated to begin in late 2021 and will include signage throughout the remaining floors and exterior of City Hall. This will include tactile lettering where required, contrasting lettering, pictograms, and braille on all wall mounted signs and directories. A MAAC representative will be requested for this project.

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### **Fleet Maintenance Garage (Ongoing)**

The facility has been designed with detectable warning surfaces, colour contrasting doors and wall to floor transitions, and power operated doors. The facility includes an accessible washroom with a low, wide seating bench. MAAC representatives have been assigned to this project.

### **East End Community Centre (Ongoing)**

Construction on the new Kingston East Community Centre is ongoing and anticipated to be complete late 2021. The facility has incorporated accessible appliances and millwork and a universal washroom with accessible shower and adult change table. There are tactile surfaces to delineate the running track, contrasting finishes on doors and wall/floor transitions, and doorless entry into main washroom facilities. A MAAC representative has been assigned to this project.

### **Kingston Fire and Rescue Maintenance Garage (Ongoing)**

The new Kingston Fire and Rescue Maintenance Garage is expected to be complete in Summer 2021. The interior of the facility includes equitable accommodations, and accessible kitchenette and washroom, accessible door hardware and light switches, power door operators and tactile warning surfaces. The exterior includes an accessible parking slot and entrance sidewalk. A MAAC representative has been assigned to this project.

### **Grand Theater (Upcoming)**

Upcoming renovations to the Grand Theater will include colour contrasting flooring, tactile warning surfaces at the top of all stairs, contrasting non-slip nosing on stair treads, colour contrast between public doors and walls, and enhanced lighting for improved visibility. A MAAC representative will be requested for this project.

### **Richardson Beach Bath House Renovation (Upcoming)**

Renovation design for this facility is underway and will include a fully accessible washroom and changing facility. The universal accessible washroom will have an adult change table, two accessible washroom stalls, and two accessible change stalls. The facility also features increased corridor widths, doorless entry, and contrasting finishes on doors and wall/floor transitions.

### **Other Upcoming Projects**

Other upcoming projects include renovations to Memorial Hall in City Hall and new graspable handrails to be installed along the existing wood bannister of the main staircases at City Hall.

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Designs will begin in Fall 2021 for a new Public Works Solid Waste facility at the Creekford Road campus. MAAC representatives will be requested for these projects.

**Existing Policy/By-Law:**

Kingston Facility Accessibility Design Standards 2019

**Notice Provisions:**

None

**Accessibility Considerations:**

As above

**Financial Considerations:**

None

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**Other City of Kingston Staff Consulted:**

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**Exhibits Attached:**

None