

# City of Kingston Report to Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Report Number MAAC-23-001

То:	Chair and Members of the Municipal Accessibility Advisory	
	Committee	
From:	Neil Carbone, Commissioner, Corporate Services	
Resource Staff:	John Bolognone, City Clerk	
Date of Meeting:	February 2, 2023	
Subject:	2023 Committee Work Plan	

#### **Council Strategic Plan Alignment:**

Theme: Corporate business

Goal: See above

#### **Executive Summary:**

This report provides a summary of the 2023 committee work plan for the Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee. The work plan is attached to this report as Exhibit A.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee recommends to Council:

**That** Council approve the 2023 Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Work Plan, attached as Exhibit A to Report Number MAAC-23-001.

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Authorizing Signatures:

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY COMMISSIONER

Neil Carbone, Commissioner, Corporate Services

p.p. ORIGINAL SIGNED BY CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER Lanie Hurdle, Chief Administrative Officer

Consultation with the following Members of the Corporate Management Team:			
Paige Agnew, Commissioner, Community Services	Not required		
David Fell, President & CEO, Utilities Kingston	Not required		
Peter Huigenbos, Commissioner, Business, Environment & Projects	$\checkmark$		

Brad Joyce, Commissioner, Transportation & Public Works	$\checkmark$
Desirée Kennedy, Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer	Not required

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## **Options/Discussion:**

The Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee (MAAC) is established under the provisions of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act. The Committee is legislated to provide advice to Council on a variety of topics, including the preparation, implementation, and effectiveness of the City of Kingston <u>Multi-Year Accessibility Plan</u>.

To assist the Committee in its work, staff prepare a work plan at the start of each year outlining activities that the Committee will undertake. The work plan is developed in consultation with City staff and the Chair of the Committee in advance of presentation to the Committee at large.

The following are proposed by staff for inclusion in the work plan:

- Update reports and briefings provided by a variety of City departments and groups. These reports provide the Committee with an update on accessibility activities undertaken in the previous year and those planned for future years. A list of proposed briefings can be found in Exhibit A – 2023 Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Work Plan.
- Quarterly information reports from the City of Kingston Accessibility Office. These reports provide an update on customer service statistics related to accessibility and other staff work done to further corporate accessibility
- The annual awareness and education campaign for National AccessAbility Week, May 28, 2023 June 3, 2023. Staff work with the Awareness & Education Working Group to plan and execute a public education campaign related to accessibility.
- City of Kingston participation in Disabilities Mentoring Day, which takes place annually in late October. For this event City staff volunteer to be matched with persons with disabilities who are seeking access to workplace contacts, environments, skills, and human resource processes.
- Planning the annual Celebrating Accessibility Awards, which recognize persons, businesses and community organizations that have made or are making a significant contribution beyond legislated requirements, towards improving access for persons with disabilities in Kingston. Activities including selecting award recipients and hosting the annual awards presentation.

This report also proposes the following meeting dates for 2023: February 2, March 2, May 4, June 8, September 7, and November 2. All proposed dates are first Thursday of the month except for the June 8, which has been pushed back one week to put a bit more time between May and June meetings.

# Existing Policy/By-Law:

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005

City of Kingston Multi-Year Accessibility Plan

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# **Notice Provisions:**

None

Accessibility Considerations:

None

# **Financial Considerations:**

None

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# Other City of Kingston Staff Consulted:

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Muhammad Ahsan, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Manager

Craig Desjardins, Director, Strategy, Innovation & Partnerships

Luke Follwell, Director, Engineering Services

Speros Kanellos, Director, Facilities Management & Construction Services

Lacricia Turner, Director, Recreation & Leisure Services

Colin Wiginton, Director, Arts & Culture

#### **Exhibits Attached:**

Exhibit A – 2023 Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Work Plan

# **Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Work Plan 2023**

# February 2023

Accessibility Office Report – Q4 2022 Office of the City Clerk
 2023 MAAC Work Plan Office of the City Clerk

# March 2023

- Transportation & Public Works Update
- Recreation & Leisure Services & Special Events Update
- Multi-Year Accessibility Plan 2022 Update
  Office of the City Clerk

# May 2023

Accessibility Office Report – Q1 2023 Office of the City Clerk
 Working Group Report – Q4 2022 and Q1 2023 Awareness & Education & Built Environment Working Groups

### May 28 - June 3, 2023

National AccessAbility Week Campaign
 Office of the City Clerk

Awareness & Education & Built Environment Working Groups

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# June 2023

- Facilities Management and Construction Services Update
- Accessible Taxi Consultation Kingston & Area Taxi Commission

# September 2023

Arts & Culture Services

•	Workplace Inclusion Charter Update	Office of Strategy, Innovation & Partnerships
•	Accessibility Office Report – Q2 2023	Office of the City Clerk

• Working Group Reports – Q2 2023

#### October 2023

• Disabilities Mentoring Day

### November 2023

•	Accessible	Consultation	<b>Process Policy</b>	,
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- Accessibility Office Report Q3 2023
- Working Group Report Q3 2023
- Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Office Update

# December 2023

Celebrating Accessibility Awards

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