

**Access Ability Advisory Committee
(AAAC)**

**Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.
Committee Room 2 – City Hall**

AGENDA

1.0 ADDITIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

1.1 Additions to and adoption of the Agenda of April 11, 2019

2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of February 28, 2019

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 DeMAND project – SFU & UBC

3.2 Canada Games Pool – Steve Kellock

4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 2019 AAAC Work Plan continued discussion.

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 No items

6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION

6.1 Transportation Forum Summary – Christine Edward

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 No items

8.0 NEXT MEETING DATE

8.1 June 13, September 12 & November 14

9.0 ADJOURNMENT



ACCESS ABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AAAC)

Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

Committee Room 2 - City Hall

MINUTES

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor Patrick Johnstone	- Chair
Asifa Lalji	- Community Member
Anne Bélanger	- Community Member
Jordan Cripps	- Community Member
Karla Olson	- Community Member
Leslie Robinson	- Community Member
Bruce Cunnings	- SD40 Representative

REGRETS:

Colleen Vogler	- Community Member
Kendra Appleby	- Community Member

STAFF:

Lisa Leblanc	- Manager, Transportation, Engineering Services
Christine Edward	- Transportation Planning Analyst
Tabitha Guichon	- Recording Secretary
Jay Young	- Manager, Recreation Facilities
Lazarus Yotamu	- Project Manager, Civic Buildings & Properties
Glen Stokes	- Carscadden Stokes McDonald Architects

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Procedural Note:

Item 2.1: Orientation and Oath of Office
to be conducted prior to the start of regular agenda items.

1.0 ADDITIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

1.1 Adoption of the Agenda of February 28, 2019

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Agenda of the Access Ability Advisory Committee meeting held on February 28, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of June 14, 2018

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the Access Ability Advisory Committee held on June 14, 2018, be adopted with the following amendment:

- *Page 1, Asifa Lalji was not present at the meeting and should be moved to the regrets section*
- *Page 4, last paragraph, should read that this was specific for intersections such as Sixth Avenue & Sixth Street and Eighth Street and Carnarvon...*

CARRIED.

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Orientation and Oath of Office

Heather Corbett, Committee Clerk, provided a presentation which covered the role of advisory committees, terms of reference, meeting attendance and quorum, meeting conduct, City policies & freedom of information and, lastly, oaths of office.

3.2 Sportsplex

Jay Young, Lazarus Yotamu and Glen Stokes provided a presentation on the new Queens Park Sportsplex. The project is currently halfway through the design process. Throughout the presentation, staff welcomed comments and suggestions and the following information was provided:

- Comfort height toilet & a grab bar in all stalls.
- All vanities will be accessible.
- There will be a covered area in the front of the building.
- Automatic slide doors on the building may be considered, but if not, it was suggested to use a type of push button similar to Glenbrook School. Anne Bélanger will provide a photo to send to Glen.
- The middle picture on figure 3.8.52 was preferred with the addition of a bench (similar to Canada Games Pool) on the wall across from the toilet.
- A sign noting that priority is for people with disabilities & seniors for the separate bathroom
- Suggestion for checkered space around the accessible parking spot and to use the new forward motion logo.

- Suggestions for making the entire front area at a gradual slant to eliminate the need for a step up from the parking lot

2.3 2019 AAAC Work Plan

Lisa Leblanc, Transportation Manager & Christine Edward, Transportation Planning Analyst, discussed the 2019 AAAC Work Plan. This was done in a workshop style where members were asked the following questions:

- What are your 3 biggest access and accessibility issues/concerns/gripes in the City of New Westminster? (Yellow post-its)
- What is working well or “are we getting right”? (blue post-its)

As a result of the workshop, the ideas were categorized into the following themes:

- Culture & Awareness
- Design
- Policy

Discussion ensued and the following comments were provided:

- In terms of universal design, it was suggested that staff engage with members that have various disabilities during the process
- A recommendation to have council or the mayor to negotiate the city based on a tour that the committee comes up with. This included places such as medical buildings, schools, elevators, sky train, etc....
- Staff will return to the next meeting and provide a list of what the role of the committee could have to address all these items.

4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 No items

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Election of the Alternate Chair

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Anne Bélanger act as Alternate Chair for the Access Ability Advisory Committee for the 2019 term.

CARRIED.

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION

6.1 Transportation Forum – Councillor Johnstone

Councillor Johnstone discussed the transportation forum scheduled for Thursday, March 7, 2019 that is happening as part of Innovation week and encouraged members to attend.

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 No items

8.0 NEXT MEETING DATE

April 11, 2019
June 13, 2019
September 12, 2019
November 14, 2019

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.

PATRICK JOHNSTONE
CHAIR

TABITHA GUICHON
RECORDING SECRETARY

Culture + Awareness

UNCONCIOUS
BIAS/SENSITIVITY
TRAINING FOR CITY
STAFF AND SMALL
BUSINESS (CHAMBERS)

Create a culture
of letting those in
need go first →
people with disabilities
board buses first →
first thought not
after thought

Create "safe"
people for those
with dementia etc.
name tags
"lost? Ask me"

Design

Street
Design

- push button location

- Street/
Sidewalk

Sidewalk ~~work~~
Improvements

Width ~~of~~
of number of
accessible

parking spots
city/shopping ~~area~~

- Parking

Build
design -

- elevator buttons

height -
why not horizontal?

Policy

MORE WHEELCHAIR TAXIS (INSTEAD OF HANDY DART) WITH PRIORITY FOR PEOPLE w/ WHEELCHAIRS

-Taxis

(CITY OR TRANSLINK?)

LACK OF PUBLIC WASHROOMS AT TRANSIT HUBS — E.G. 22ND ST. STATION, NEW WEST STN.

- Public Washrooms

SNOW REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALKS

— CITY VS.

PROPERTY OWNER ^{not working} RESPONSIBILITY

- snow clearing on sidewalks for access

- Operation/ Maintenance

MAKE ALL CITY / PUBLIC SPACES UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE.

- Universal Design

What works well

Create a fantastic sense of

Community

- community engagement
feedbacks on projects
(pattulo/CGP)

- Community

EVENTS ARE
MORE ACCESSIBLE
AND INCLUSIVE.

Over all, ~~the~~ the
acknowledgement & understanding
that Accessibility needs are
diverse & need to be considered

I think the City
turned the accessibility
with the Q to Q
ferry around really
well!

CURB CUTS -
CITY DOING GOOD
WORK ENSURING
C.C.'S AT EACH
CORNER (BUT PLS.
FIX 8TH + COLUMBIA
N.W. CORNER)

- Projects