

# Accessibility Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes  
March 10, 2025  
5:00 pm-7:00pm

VIRTUAL ONLY

## Invited Attendees

T.LaRiviere, D.Antaya-Moore, C.Brenneis, M.Dancsok, D.Rudolph, S.Mason, K.Ewig, K.Thomas, D.Achoura, Z.Weeks,  
**Council Reps:** C. Tang  
**Staff:** P. Sigauke, C. Lamoureux  
**Guests:** Y. Subramonian, H. Craig, R. Lockwood, M. Gunther, J. Jackman  
**Regrets:** B.Belsek

## 1.0 Introductions and Welcome

2.0 Review	
2.1 Agenda Review/Approval	5:04 pm <b>MOTION:</b> Approve the March 10, 2025 AAC Agenda Carried (U)
2.2 <a href="#">Review/Approval of February 10, 2025 Minutes</a>	<b>MOTION:</b> Approve the February 10, 2025 AAC Minutes Carried (U)
2.3 Indigenous Land Acknowledgement	
2.4 Ice Breaker	

3.0 New Business	
3.1 <a href="#">Draft actions for the 2025-2029 Corporate Accessibility Plan</a>	<b>ACTION:</b> Any questions on the ARC, please connect with H. Craig  The City of Edmonton webpage will be reviewed for accessibility concerns under the Communication Action plan.  Stickers will be added to CoE owned and operated buildings to show that service dogs are welcome. And also creating more awareness with front line staff on the importance of

	<p>service dogs.</p> <p>The survey includes the policy updates and draft actions so Edmontonians can respond.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> AAC to share on social media.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Administration will take back questions about psychological safety and share with the Employee Services team.</p> <p>AAC members will follow up with an email with any further questions about the survey.</p>
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3.0 New Business	
<p>3.1 Equitable Recreation Programming Audit</p> <p>The Office of the City Auditor conducted an Equitable Recreation Programming Audit in June 2024. The report identified that the Community Recreation and Culture Branch needs an effective approach to planning and providing equitable recreation programming for all Edmontonians. The report made four recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recommendation 1: Improve information gathering on recreation programming needs to identify access barriers and inform equitable program planning. (by March 31, 2025)</li> <li>- Recommendation 2: Develop and implement an integrated plan to support equitable recreation programming. (by March 31, 2026)</li> <li>- Recommendation 3: Develop equity objectives for each major programming area to assess effectiveness and identify areas for improvement. (by June 30, 2026)</li> <li>- Recommendation 4: Develop documented guidance for staff to ensure equitable, inclusive, and accessible recreation programming. (by September 30, 2026)</li> </ul> <p>The staff leading recommendation 2 would like to share with you a bit about the work, and get some preliminary input on the vision for the integrated plan for equity.</p>	<p>Recommendation #1 is currently being worked on.</p> <p>Recommendation #2 is starting to be worked on.</p> <p>This work will integrate and align with Policy C602.</p> <p>Looking to host focused conversations and pop ups to reach equity seeking target groups.</p> <p>Committed to finishing the research by March 2026, but may require an extension.</p>

4.0 Standing Items	
<p>4.1 Council Advisor Updates</p>	<p>Thank you to T. LaRiviere for presenting the AAC Annual report and 2025 Workplan to Council today.</p> <p>When committees speak at Council Committee meetings, it adds a lot of value to the topics.</p>



4.4.1. Update on Edmonton Transit Services - Transit Centre Curb Painting Initiative	<p>discuss accessible parking. The Policy Committee will share a letter to advise Council for more accessible parking.</p> <p>D.Rudolph met with CoE staff and CNIB representatives at WestMount Transit Centre to review the difficulties/concerns with the blue paint of the piloted curb changes. The blue colour is not differentiable for those with vision loss/blindness. There is a heightened risk of injuries.</p> <p>ETS to use the current yellow paint scheme. Possibility of another pilot (at another terminal that is already yellow) using three foot black wide stripes (which is also the International Hazard symbol). Another suggestion would be to use the same glitter that is currently used in crosswalks to improve night visibility. This is a two year project. D. Rudolph and CNIB continue to work with ETS.</p>
4.5 <a href="#">Administration Update</a> 4.5.1 <a href="#">Accessible Parking brochure request</a>	<b>ACTION:</b> Add Accessible Parking brochure to the April agenda to determine next steps.

5.0 Other Reports	
5.1 Edmonton Transit Service Advisory Board Update	<p>ETSAB will take back the following to its meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will take back the info on service dogs</li> <li>- Transit Centre Curb Painting Initiative</li> <li>- Draft actions for the 2025-2029 Corporate Accessibility Plan</li> </ul> <p>ETSAB had their annual retreat and drafted their workplan for the year. Once finalized, will share with the AAC.</p>
	Adjourned at 7:00 pm

## 6.0 Upcoming Items

1. Mar 10 - Accessibility Advisory Committee - 2024 Annual Report & 2025 Workplan
2. Mar 11 - Accessibility Advisory Committee - Membership Report & Candidate Shortlist
3. Mar 12 - City Policy C601 - Affordable Housing Investment Guidelines
4. Mar 18 - Council Member Appointments to Civic Agencies
5. April 1 - Options for Regulating Congregate Sleeping Areas for Shelters
6. April 14 - Accessibility Advisory Committee Interviews & Appointment Recommendations
7. Q1 2025 Public Spaces Bylaw
8. June 3 - zoning bylaw - 1 year review
9. October 20, 2025 - Municipal Election
  - a. Nomination Period Jan 1 - Sept 22
  - b. Election Advertising May 1 - Oct 20
  - c. Election Period (close of nominations/end of voting) - Sept 22 - Oct 20
10. Mar 2/26 - Equitable Recreation Programming

### Next Meetings

Date: April 14, 2025	Time 5:00pm to 7:00pm	In Person/Edmonton Tower
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