



REGION OF PEEL

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AAC)

AGENDA

AAC-2014-4

Date: June 24, 2014

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Council Chamber, 5th floor
Regional Administrative Headquarters
10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A
Brampton, Ontario

Members: N. Balsara; H. Bajwa; N.D. Barry; R. Chopra; M. Dytyniak;
D. Farrace, C. Fonseca; S. Hames; N. Husain; E. Kolb;
R. Paterak; T. Tamlin; J. Triantafilou; M. Tymkow

Naz Husain, Chair to preside.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC-2014-3) meeting held on April 29, 2014 (Receipt recommended)

4. DELEGATIONS

1. **Janice Peters, Chief Operating Officer and Dan Fish, Project Manager, Supportive Housing in Peel (SHIP),** Presentation on the new Hansen Affordable Housing Project (Attached)

5. REPORTS

1. Accessible Transportation Master Plan (Oral)
Update by Mark Castro, Manager of Accessible Transportation and Aislin O'Hara, Transportation Resource Coordinator (Attached)
2. Updates
 - i) Region of Peel Accessibility Planning Program Update and AAC Work Plan Update (Updated Work Plan Attached)
Update by Veronica Montesdeoca, Acting Accessibility Planning Specialist, Region of Peel
 - ii) Subcommittee Updates (Oral)
 - Site Plan Review Subcommittee
 - Education and Awareness Subcommittee
 - AODA Subcommittee

- iii) Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee Member Updates (Oral)

6. COMMUNICATIONS

1. **Sotabdo Debnath, Capital Project Manager, Real Property Asset Management and Rebecca Fortin, Advisor, Public Health, Region of Peel**, Memo dated June 12, 2014, Providing an Update from the February 25th Presentation to the Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee Regarding the Active Outdoor Space Project and Active Stairwells Project (Receipt recommended)
2. **Sue Ritchie, Manager, Program Design and Development, Human Services, Region of Peel**, Memo dated June 12, 2014, Providing an Update on the Status of the 2014 Peel Renovates Project (Receipt recommended)
3. **Mark Castro, Manager of Accessible Transportation**, Memo dated June 19, 2014, Providing an Executive Summary of the Accessible Transportation Master Plan (Receipt recommended) **(To be distributed when available)**

7. OTHER BUSINESS

8. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, August 19, 2014
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 5th floor
Regional Administrative Headquarters
10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A
Brampton, Ontario

9. ADJOURNMENT



REGION OF PEEL

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AAC)

MINUTES

AAC-2014-3

The Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee met on April 29, 2014 at 1:04 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Administrative Headquarters, 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, Brampton.

Members Present: R. Chopra; M. Dytyniak; D. Farrace*, S. Hames; N. Husain; E. Kolb; R. Paterak; T. Tamlin

Members Absent: H. Bajwa; N. Balsara; N.D. Barry; C. Fonseca, due to other municipal business; J. Triantafilou; M. Tymkow

Also Present: **Region of Peel:** A. Macintyre, Manager, Legislative Services; A. Adams, Manager, Regulatory Compliance; B. DeNiese, Manager, Service Improvement; M. Sikand, Accessibility Planning Specialist; V. Montesdeoca, Committee Clerk; S. Valleau, Legislative Assistant; L. Sieben, Legislative Assistant

* See text for arrivals

♦ See text for departures

Naz Husain, Chair, presided.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Naz Husain, Chair of the Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. and welcomed everyone present.

Regional Chair Kolb invited Committee members to the Region of Peel's 40th Anniversary celebrations scheduled for June 7, 2014 at the Peel Art Gallery, Museum and Archives (PAMA). A formal invitation will be sent to the members.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by R. Chopra;

RECOMMENDATION AAC-10-2014:

That the agenda for the April 29, 2014, Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting be approved.

3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

3.1. Minutes of the Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC-2014-2) meeting held on February 25, 2014

Received

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1. Biljana Bajagic, Senior Project Manager, Real Property Asset Management, Region of Peel, Providing a Review of the Peel Region Health Clinic, Located at Westwood Square, 7205 Goreway Drive – City of Mississauga, Ward 5

Moved by R. Paterak;

RECOMMENDATION AAC-11-2014:

That the update provided to the Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) on April 29, 2014 by Region of Peel Real Property Asset Management staff regarding the site plan for the Peel Region Health Clinic located at Westwood Square, 7205 Goreway Drive – City of Mississauga, Ward 5, be received;

And further, that staff from Real Property Asset Management report back to a future AAC meeting to provide an update on which suggestions were incorporated into the site.

D. Farrace arrived at 1:20 p.m.

A copy of the presentation is available from the Office of the Regional Clerk.

Biljana Bajagic, Senior Project Manager, Real Property Asset Management, provided an overview of the public health clinic located at Westwood Square, 7205 Goreway Drive, City of Mississauga. Due to increased program requirements, the health clinic located at Morning Star Drive and Goreway Drive will be relocating to the new leased space in the lower level of Westwood Square.

Biljana Bajagic reviewed the proposed floor plan for the clinic which includes accessibility features such as:

- Accessible entrance;
- Accessible desk and counter in the reception area;
- Accessible corridor; and
- Two accessible washrooms.

A group discussion unfolded and concerns were expressed regarding the clinic's location in the basement of the mall. The following suggestions were made to make the clinic more accessible:

- That increased accessible parking spaces be made available once the mall renovations have concluded;
- That accessible parking spots not placed at the end of a parking aisle as they tend to be used for snow removal purposes;
- Review the possibility of an additional elevator; and
- Ensure emergency evacuation procedures are in place especially for persons with disabilities.

4.2. **Richard Ngun, Capital Project Manager, Real Property Asset Management, Region of Peel**, Providing an Update on the Region of Peel Affordable Housing Design Guidelines and the Region of Peel Accessible Standards for Affordable Housing Residential Properties

Received

A copy of the presentation is available from the Office of the Regional Clerk.

Richard Ngun, Capital Project Manager, Real Property Asset Management, provided an overview on the Region of Peel Affordable Housing Design Guidelines and the Accessible Standards for Affordable Residential Properties.

Richard Ngun noted that the *Building Code* has recently been amended to include the new *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (AODA), Built Environment Standard. These changes will come into effect on January 2015. As a result, modifications will be made to the Region of Peel's Accessible Standards for Affordable Residential Properties to ensure that all new projects will include the changes. Richard Ngun highlighted some of the following improvements:

1. Accessibility Routes – require automatic power door operators;
2. Increase barrier free suites from 10-15 per cent;
3. Tactile indicators & signage – at ramps, stairs, and landings;
4. Accessible doors – wider clear width;
5. Ramps – intermediate handrails for wider ramps; and
6. Visual alarms – required for smoke alarms in dwellings and in public corridors of apartment buildings.

Richard Ngun reviewed the accessibility features of the three types of barrier free suites incorporated into recent new builds at Snelgrove, Legion and Creditvale Mills.

Committee members expressed their approval on the initiatives the Region of Peel has taken to increase accessibility in housing projects and made the following suggestions for further improvement:

- Ensure that all suites are barrier free so that residents with a disability are not confined to their own units;
- Include grab bars in the toilet area as part of the universal accessible unit features;
- Include storage capabilities in common areas such as dining halls for the storing of walkers and mobile devices;
- Ensure wiring is in place in the bedroom should the need arise for an additional visual fire alarm;
- Consider installing low edge, wide shower stalls in seniors' area;
- Consider the possibility of a model suite where AAC members can walk through as part of a sensitivity audit; and
- Consider showcasing such projects to other levels of government.

5. REPORTS

5.1. Region of Peel Accessibility Planning Program Update and AAC Work Plan Update

Update by Meenu Sikand, Accessibility Planning Specialist,
Region of Peel

Received

See also Item 5.2

Meenu Sikand, Accessibility Planning Specialist, provided a review of the program's involvement in the Peel Children's Water Festival scheduled for May 22, 23, and May 26 to 29. These include ensuring that the site and activities are accessible for the students and teachers participating in the Festival. An e-mail will be circulated to Committee members requesting participation in the site audit.

Meenu Sikand reminded members of the upcoming Connections Fair taking place on May 23, 2014 at the Mississauga Convention Centre. A Region of Peel booth will be set up to provide information to members of the public about Regional services and accessibility planning. An e-mail will be circulated to Committee members requesting assistance at the Fair.

Meenu Sikand mentioned that preparation is ongoing for the 2014 National Access Awareness Week (NAAW) event taking place on June 3, 2014.

5.2. Subcommittee Updates: Education and Awareness Subcommittee – National Access Awareness Week (NAAW) Event Planning Proposal

Update by Raj Chopra, Member, Education and Awareness Subcommittee

Received

See also Item 5.1

Raj Chopra, Committee Member, provided an update on the work undertaken by the Education and Awareness Subcommittee in preparation for the 2014 National Access Awareness Week (NAAW) event and reviewed the updated proposal:

- Event date and time confirmed for June 3, 2014 from 11:00 – 12:30;
- Event theme – Understanding Hidden Disabilities;
- Key Note Speaker confirmed – Dely Farrace, AAC Member;
- Request for Awards nomination posted to the Intranet site, and;
- Three tables to be set up for the experiential exercises which will include a joint table by the Accessibility and Diversity Programs.

Raj Chopra, stated that a “hold the date communication” will be circulated and requested Committee Members to pass on the message, to various organizations.

5.3. Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee Member Updates (Oral)

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Naz Husain informed that she is a member of Lifelong Learning Mississauga. Lifelong Learning Mississauga is a non-profit organization formed to engage older adults in continuous learning. She stated that the next lecture and workshop series will be starting in the fall and encouraged Committee members to participate.

6. COMMUNICATIONS**6.1. Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission, Article dated January 24, 2013, titled "CRTC Announces Enhancements to 911 Services for Canadians with Hearing or Speech Impairments"**

Received

6.2. J.D. Chanler, Resident, E-mail dated March 22, 2014, Regarding Photo Identification for the Disabled

Received

A discussion unfolded on how the Region of Peel could assist the resident regarding the concerns expressed in the communication. Suggestions included:

- Contact Service Ontario, who issues an I.D. for people who do not have a driver's licence;
- Contact the Ontario Disability Support Program to try to get the fee waived;
- Refer the letter to the Ministry of Transportation and request that the fee be waived.

Committee members agreed that the resident be contacted and be provided the information. Regional Chair Kolb undertook to look into the matter further.

- 6.3. **Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Employment**, E-mail dated April 7, 2014, Informing of Deadline Extension to May 22, 2014 for Public Comment on the Proposed Changes to the Customer Service Standard

Received

- 6.4. **Accessibility Directorate of Ontario**, Notice Informing of the Upcoming Carleton Accessibility Summit Taking Place on July 12-15, 2014 in Ottawa, Ontario

Received

Raj Chopra requested that consideration be given to send a member of the Region's AAC to the Summit and to report back with the information.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

- 7.1. **Request from Melanie Taddeo, Connect 4 Life, to Delegate to the May 27, 2014 AAC** meeting to Create Awareness of the Programs and Services offered by Connect 4 Life for Persons with Disabilities

Moved by D. Farrace;

RECOMMENDATION AAC-12-2014:

That the request from Melanie Taddeo, Connect 4 Life, to delegate at the May 27, 2014 AAC meeting to Create Awareness of the Programs and Services offered by Connect 4 Life for Persons with Disabilities, not be approved at this time.

7.2. Internal Support Services Realignment Update (Oral)

Update by Aretha Adams, Manager of Regulatory Compliance,
Region of Peel

Received

Aretha Adams, Manager of Regulatory Compliance, provided an update on the Internal Services Realignment. She noted that effective May 8, 2014 the Accessibility Program will be moving to the Service Innovation and Information Technology Department. Aretha Adams stated that the Program will be reporting to Brian DeNiese, Manager of Service Innovation and Improvement and formally introduced the new manager. Aretha Adams also informed that Meenu Sikand has taken on the full time role as United Way Co-Chair for the 2014 campaign and that Veronica Montesdeoca will be covering the role of Accessibility Planning Specialist. Lindsay Sieben in Legislative Services will be taking on the role of Committee Clerk.

8. NEXT MEETING

Moved by E. Kolb;

RECOMMENDATION AAC-13-2014:

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting schedule for May 27, 2014, be cancelled.

Due to the NAAW event taking place on June 3, 2014, Committee members agreed to cancel the May AAC meeting.

The next meeting of the Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, June 27, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., Council Chamber, 5th floor, Regional Administrative Headquarters, Suite A, 10 Peel Centre Drive, Brampton, Ontario.

Please forward regrets to Lindsay Sieben, Acting Committee Clerk, (905) 791-7800 ext. 4384 or at lindsay.sieben@peelregion.ca.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Attention: Regional Clerk
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Meeting Name: AAC Meeting	
Meeting Date YYYY/MM/DD	June 24, 2014

Request Date: YYYY/MM/DD **May 12, 2014**

Name of Individual(s)	Janice Peters		
Position/Title	Chief Operating Officer		
Name of Organization	Supportive Housing in Peel (SHIP)	Email	
Phone Number	(905) 279-9294	Extension	Fax Number
Name of Individual(s)	Dan Fish		
Position/Title	Project Manager		
Name of Organization	Supportive Housing in Peel (SHIP)	Email	
Phone Number		Extension	Fax Number
Reason(s) for delegation request (subject matter to be discussed) Presenting Information about the new Hansen Affordable Housing Project			

I am submitting a formal presentation to accompany my delegation. Yes No

I will require the following audio-visual equipment / software for my presentation: Document Camera / Overhead Projector LCD Projector PowerPoint

***Note:** Delegates are requested to provide 45 copies of all background material / presentations to the Clerk's Division **seven (7) business days** prior to the meeting date so that it can be included with the agenda package.

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APPENDIX I

Accessibility Advisory Committee 2014 Work Plan

MANDATORY ACTIVITY LIST

#	Activity	Description	Update	Date Completed
1	<p>AODA Compliance</p> <p>Objective: To ensure Regional compliance with the IASR requirements that will come into effect January 1, 2014 and January 1, 2015.</p> <p>The AODA subcommittee will assist departmental staff by reviewing departmental presentations; assisting staff with testing and by providing expert advice regarding IASR initiatives completed by staff.</p> <p>START DATE: January 6, 2014</p>	<p>List of 2014 & 2015 Compliance Deadlines for Region of Peel:</p> <p>General Requirements:</p> <p>a. Training (Section 7)</p> <p>Information and Communications:</p> <p>b. Feedback processes (Section 11)</p> <p>c. New internet websites and web content conformation with WCAG 2.0 Level A (Section 12)</p> <p>d. Accessible formats and communication supports (Section 12)</p> <p>Employment:</p> <p>e. Recruitment (section 22 -24)</p> <p>f. Informing employees of supports (section 25)</p> <p>g. Providing accessible formats and communications supports for employees (section 26)</p> <p>h. Documented individual accommodation Plans (section 28)</p> <p>i. Return to work process (section 29)</p> <p>j. Performance management, career development, and redeployment (section 30-32)</p> <p>Transportation:</p> <p>k. Accessibility Training (section 36)</p> <p>l. Fares, support persons (section 38)</p> <p>m. Emergency or compassionate</p>	<p>AAC approved the AODA compliance activities for 2014.</p>	

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#	Activity	Description	Update	Date Completed
		<p>grounds (section 65) n. Booking (section 71) o. Trip restrictions (section 72)</p>		
2	<p>Site Plan reviews</p> <p>Objective: To review Regional site plans submitted by project manager and provide approvals.</p>	<p>1. The AAC will review the site plans received from various departments and provide feedback and comments.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AP specialist will meet with the satellite paramedic stations project staff to review site plans presentations and to provide feedback to Regional staff. • Staff presenting the site plans for the satellite paramedics' stations will refer to the satellite paramedics' stations checklist that was compiled in 2013. • AP specialist will review and bring recommendations to the AAC for final approval of the satellite paramedic stations for their approval of the site plan. • Once the new AAC members are recruited a site plan subcommittee will be established to review the site plans received 	Ongoing

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			from various departments and present recommendations to the AAC to approve site plans.	

EDUCATION AND AWARENESS ACTIVITY LIST

#	Activity	Description	Update	Date Completed
1	<p>National Access Awareness Week (NAAW)</p> <p>START DATE: March 1, 2014</p>	<p>a. The AAC Education and Awareness Subcommittee will assist AP staff with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Selecting a theme for the NAAW; ii. Reviewing all staff submissions received; iii. Selecting winners for accessibility awards; iv. Participating in the NAAW celebration and Accessibility Awards distribution; v. AAC chair to provide event report to the AAC at the AAC monthly meeting. 	<p>AAC approved the celebration of NAAW event in 2014. Once the AAC Education and Awareness subcommittee is established, members will begin planning activities with the AP staff.</p> <p>The NAAW event took place June 3rd</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful event with over 50 staff signing up to attend • EMT was present • 4 awards were presented, including a volunteer and non-staff security guards • 2 keynote presentations, including AAC member Dely Farrace who spoke on autism • Positive feedback, very inspirational 	June 3, 2014

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#	Activity	Description	Update	Date Completed
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A follow up story to be posted on Pathways with highlights of event 	
2	<p>Peel Children's Water Festival (PCWF)</p> <p>May 22 2014 – May 29 2014</p> <p>Objective: Increase Accessibility of the Annual Peel Educational Event</p>	<p>a. The AAC Education and Awareness subcommittee members will review the PCWF Accessibility Plan with the PCWF coordinator and the APS;</p> <p>b. Collaboratively the subcommittee will propose recommendations to the PCWF steering committee regarding the areas of the PCWF accessibility plan that will be implemented in the current year.</p> <p>c. Upon request, the subcommittee will also assist with the implementation of the plan by conducting a site audit and reviewing the feedback received from teacher surveys to develop recommendations for the next year.</p>	<p>AAC approved the AAC participation in the 2014 PCWF.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessibility Planning Specialist met with the PCWF coordinator to review training module for high school volunteers to ensure IASR compliance. • Approximately 700 volunteers received mandatory training. • Good participation; festival fully booked in 2014, had to turn some schools away • A. AP Specialist performed a site visit on May 28, accompanied by a teacher for students with developmental disabilities • Teacher very interested in bringing her students next year • Teacher will follow up with Festival Coordinator early next year to review this prospect 	<p>May 28, 2014</p>

#	Activity	Description	Update	Date Completed
3	<p>International Day of Persons with Disabilities Event (IDPD)</p> <p>START DATE: August 2014 (Proposed)</p>	<p>a. The AAC Education and Awareness subcommittee will assist staff in planning this event including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Select the event date (December 3) ii. Book venue iii. Selection of a theme iv. Selection of appropriate speakers v. Developing an audience specific outreach strategy and review of (flyers, pathway story, media release, and educational resources etc.) vi. Organizing and hosting the event. vii. Reporting to the AAC. 	<p>AAC approved the 2014 commemoration of the IDPD.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary talks with City of Mississauga Accessibility Coordinator indicates a desire to organize a joint event for December 3rd which will include local AACs and stakeholders. • Being an election year, Peel would not have a Council nor an AAC Committee in place on this date • Mississauga AAC Coordinator will schedule a meeting to brainstorm 	

TIME PERMITTED ACTIVITY LIST

#	Activity	Description	Update	Date Completed
1	<p>Connections Resource Fair for Persons with Disabilities</p> <p>START DATE: A one day Resource Fair held annually to promote businesses, assistive services and other available resource that benefit the lives of persons with disabilities and</p>	<p>1. AAC members will set up an information booth and disseminate information to Fair attendees that will be held at Mississauga Convention Center on Friday, May 23 from 9:00 am - 9:00 pm.</p>	<p>AAC approved the committee and AP program's participation in this year's Connections Resource Fair.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. AP Specialist participated in the resource fair; assisted by Raj Chopra, Nancy Diane Barry & Brian DeNiese 	May 23, 2014

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#	Activity	Description	Update	Date Completed
	their families as well as raise awareness.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 60 exhibitors • Wide range of programs & services • Different venue this year on Derry Rd. - less centralized • Good turnout from morning until mid-afternoon; quieter in the late afternoon and evening 	
2	<p>Seniors Fair (Ward 9)</p> <p>START DATE: A one day fair hosted by Mississauga Ward 9 Councillor, Pat Saito with valuable information and resources for seniors and their families</p>	<p>1. AAC members and Regional staff will set up an information booth and will disseminate accessibility information to event participants.</p> <p>b. Second annual Ward 9 Senior's Fair is scheduled for Tuesday June 10, 2014 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm at the Meadowvale Community Centre in the Village Room.</p>	<p>AAC approved the committee and AP program's participation in 2014 Senior's Fair.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. AP Specialist participated in the Fair • Hosted by Ward 9 Regional Councillor Pat Saito • Over 25 agencies/ organizations participating • Good turnout • Also in attendance Steve Mahoney, mayoral candidate for the City of Mississauga 	June 10, 2014
3	<p>"Peel Renovates" Program Facilitated Consultation Session</p> <p>START DATE: January 28</p>	<p>1. "Peel Renovates" program staff provided program information to AAC on April 23.</p> <p>2. Interested AAC members will be able to provide input to the Human Services' initiative of the Peel Renovates program by participating in a</p>	<p>AAC Approved members' participation in the program as requested by staff during various stages of the project such as review of the program guidelines, service delivery process and criteria etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peel Renovates Program for 2014 	

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#	Activity	Description	Update	Date Completed
		<p>consultant led facilitated session that will be held after the AAC monthly meeting in January 2014 (January 28)</p>	<p>was launched on June 16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program staff communicated availability of program to local AAC's and agencies • A communication memo was provide to the Region's AAC; included in June AAC agenda 	
4	Region of Peel United Way 5K Run Walk and Role Event	<p>1. Interested AAC members will assist staff with the accessibility audit of the run route, distribution of promotional materials and disseminating information within their networks to reach out to the diverse community of Peel.</p>	<p>AAC approved their participation in 2014 walk for activities such as accessibility audit of the event route, outreach etc.</p>	

Prepared for: Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC)

Purpose: Update from February 25, 2014 presentation to the AAC

Meeting: June 24, 2014 Region of Peel AAC Meeting

Prepared by: Sotabdo Debnath, Capital Project Manager – Real Property Asset Management (RPAM) and Rebecca Fortin, Advisor – Public Health, on behalf of the Region of Peel's Actively Designed Buildings Workgroup

Date: June 12, 2014

In August 2013 and February 2014, updates were provided to the AAC on the following projects as part of the Region of Peel's Actively Designed Buildings Workgroup:

- 1) Active Outdoor Space Project
- 2) Active Stairwells Project

The Active Outdoor Space and the Active Stairwells projects provide active design features to promote increased activity and health for staff and visitors. The projects support Regional priorities for healthy built environments and inform ongoing work across other Regional buildings and building sites throughout Peel.

The projects involve staff from all Regional departments, including Facilities (RPAM), Public Health, Human Resources and Public Works. Several Regional Councillors provide ongoing input through the Regional Healthy By Design Consultation Committee.

Ensuring that the projects consider and provide features for accessibility, feedback from the AAC has been shared with external architects working on the project plans.

Below provides an overview of the projects, and outlines how AAC feedback has been included in the project designs.

Active Outdoor Space Project at 7120 Hurontario

Phase 1 was completed in October 2013 and includes:

- Two walking loops, with sidewalk markings using blue and orange painted circles

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- Two signs showing walking path maps, which measure 2 feet by 4 feet and designed based on Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) standards
- Boulder seating with space for mobility devices
- Pathway connectors using accessible material (packed stone screening)

Phase 2 will be completed by the Fall of 2014 and will include:

- Drinking fountain
- Additional walking path surrounding the entire site
- Outdoor gym equipment and table tennis
- Stepped lawn seating plaza area, with a shade structure, for large meetings and events
- Outdoor green space for pick-up sports
- Landscaped areas adding trees and plants to create shade, shelter and interest

The chart below outlines the feedback AAC members provided on the Active Outdoor Space Phase 2 plans, and explains how we are including this feedback in design plans:

AAC Feedback	Action/Response
1) Can the drinking fountain be of accessible height?	The drinking fountain design is confirmed to be useable by many different users, and will be installed at an accessible height and located next to a pathway.
2) Could steps around the lawn area be changed to a paved walkway?	The design of the steps has since been modified to account for accessibility as possible, including a railing added to the sloped part of the pathway.
3) Is the gym equipment and table tennis accessible?	There will be a mix of different types of gym equipment for users of different abilities, with several accessible pieces selected. The table tennis will be constructed at an accessible height.
4) How accessible is the lawn seating for people with mobility concerns?	Each step of the lawn seating is about 6 feet deep and 7 inches high. The first section of seating has been designed to be accessible for people using mobility devices.
5) Will there be set 'times of use' for the outdoor play area on the parking lot surface?	In consultation with partners, we will be working on programs for this area along with signs to show times of use, such as: evenings, weekends or lunch hours.

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Active Stairwells Project at 10 Peel Centre Drive and 7120 Hurontario

Phase 1 was completed in February 2014 and includes:

- Walls painted in bright, contrasting colours
- Yellow and black glow-in-the-dark strips on all steps to increase slip-resistance and contrast between steps
- Vinyl handrail providing easier grip

Phase 2 will be completed by the Fall of 2014 and will include:

- Accessible signage with large font, tactile lettering
- Black vinyl artwork to be installed on top of painted walls, providing high level of colour contrast
- Glare-reducing accent lighting in the stairwells
- Glass windows between stairwell hallway and the cafeteria and the main lobby at 10 Peel Centre Drive to assist with stairwell visibility and way-finding
- Installation of fire-rated glass doors with bright dots and arrows painted on the ground floor walls also to increase stairwell visibility and way-finding

The chart below outlines the feedback AAC members provided on the Active Stairwells Project Phase 2 plans, and explains how we are including this feedback in design plans:

AAC Feedback	Action/Response
1) Did you consult with the City of Mississauga AAC?	Yes, several discussions have taken place with the City of Mississauga Accessibility Coordinator, who has reviewed the presentation and provided feedback. It was determined that there is no requirement to present to the City of Mississauga AAC at this time.
2) Will there be contrast between the vinyl artwork and the paint on the walls?	Yes, there will be a high level of contrast between the art and stairwell colours. All colours have been reviewed and adjustments have been made where necessary.

On behalf of the Region of Peel's Actively Designed Buildings Workgroup, we thank the members of the AAC for your thoughtful input and support of this work. The Active Outdoor Space and the Active Stairwells projects provide a valuable opportunity for Regional staff and visitors to increase their physical activity and overall health.

To: Chair, Accessibility Advisory Committee **Date:** June 12, 2014

From: Sue Ritchie, Manager Program Design and Development **Subject:** Peel Renovates Program Update

cc: Kathryn Lockyer, Regional Clerk
Juliet Jackson, Director Strategic Planning, Policy and Partnerships
Stella Danos-Papaconstantinou, Director Client Relationships **Our File:**

Further to my October 29, 2013 correspondence regarding the Peel Renovates program, I am writing to update you of the current status of the program. The following outlines the current program status, information regarding eligibility criteria and how interested applicants can apply.

Program Review Update

As communicated to you in October 2013, in order to help inform the new program guidelines and to plan for future program expansion, a review of past program practices and research of local needs was conducted by Regional staff and SHS Consulting throughout 2013 and into 2014. To assist with creating new program guidelines, focus groups and key informant interviews with various stakeholders took place, as well as several brainstorming sessions with an internal staff group, to ensure the needs of the community were identified and met from various perspectives. Information and feedback was also gathered from Peel residents who participated in the 2012-2013 Peel Renovates program. The review was completed in March 2014.

Following this review, program guidelines were drafted, reviewed and approved by the various stakeholders. A report to Council outlining the program review and plans for a re-launch was then submitted and approved on May 8th, 2014.

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Program Launch and How to Apply

Applications for the Peel Renovates program are set to open on June 16, 2014. Interested applicants will now apply through the Client Relationships division, in order to ensure assessment, referral and case management. This will allow for the opportunity to identify other supports available to applicants and permit coordination of funding.

Details of the 2014 program are as follows:

The Peel Renovates program is available to assist low to moderate homeowners with the cost of immediate repairs or upgrades to their home. Eligible applicants must:

- Have a maximum household annual gross income of \$82,600
- Reside in Peel Region (Brampton, Caledon or Mississauga)
- Own their home, with a maximum value of:
 - Brampton - \$360,385
 - Caledon - \$525, 501
 - Mississauga - \$400,155
- Require renovations or repairs in at least one of the following areas:
 - Structural
 - Electrical
 - Plumbing
 - Heating
 - Fire safety
 - Accessibility

Applications will be available online at www.peelregion.ca/peelrenovates or by telephone at 905-793-9200. Interested applicants will need to provide the following:

- Address and most recent Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) Property Assessment Notice
- Names and birth dates of all family members
- Immigration status for all family members
- Income, assets and tax returns for all family members
- Cost of expenses (such as child care and disability related work expenses)

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Next Steps

To ensure the varying needs of residents of Peel are being met, the program guidelines created as a result of the review of past program practices and research of local needs include additional components, to be incorporated over the next five (5) years. Additional options currently being explored include:

- Renovations to support second units and garden suites
- Options for landlords with properties in need of repair
- Support for tenants of rental units with accessibility needs
- Mandatory repairs to rental housing.

A second units pilot program will be run in partnership with the City of Mississauga in 2014-2015. The pilot program will include assistance for homeowners modifying existing second units to improve health and safety and increase accessibility, or, the addition of a second unit to an existing property. The pilot program will also include an evaluation and staff will report back to Regional Council and the City of Mississauga Council with findings and recommendations.

We look forward to continuing to work with the AAC to ensure accessibility priorities are incorporated in the current program, as well as future program components.

If you have any questions regarding the Peel Renovates program, please contact Kelly-Anne Salerno at 905-791-7800 ext. 8603 or kelly-anne.salerno@peelregion.ca.

If you have any questions regarding the second units pilot program, please contact Sue Ritchie at 905-791-7800 ext. 8605 or sue.ritchie@peelregion.ca.

Thank you.