The Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie



Community Development Planning & Enterprise Services

Diane Morrell Accessibility Coordinator

Date: October 11, 2023

2:00-4:00 p.m.

In Person & Via Zoom

Minutes

In Attendance: Councillor Sandra Hollingsworth, Councillor Lisa Vezeau Allen, Diane Morrell, Donald McConnell, Jordan Derochie, Craig Kohler, Derrick Lavallee, Dree Labonte, Wayne Scharfenberg, Kerri Tucket,

Regrets: Diana Gerhart, Carol Magnan

Guests: Peter Tonazzo – Planning, Salvatore Marchese - Planning, Francois Couture – Building,

Recorder: Stephanie Perri – Planning

1. Meeting called to order: Round table introductions

2. Chairs Comments

- ASL Interpreters in attendance, Tyler, Christie, and Annika
- Update: Public Consultation November 8, 2023 4 p.m. at Active Living Centre
- Thank you note sent on behalf of AAC re: Boardwalk extension

3. Approval of Minutes – AAC meeting September 13, 2023

Moved by: D. C. Kohler

Seconded by: W. Scharfenberg

CARRIED

4. Conflict of Interest

No conflicts declared.

5. New Business

5.1 Accessibility in Ontario Building Code – Francois Couture, Building Division

- Contrast = texture or colour
- Access aisle not required, but if one is included, it must meet guidelines set out in OBC
- Adult change tables are included in code, does not cover the tables, but there must be space provided
- Emergency call system required, does not specify where
- Maintenance OBC does not cover (no requirements) Design of Public Spaces does

 requires businesses to have Accessibility Plan, many do not

5.2 Enabling Accessibility Fund, Youth Access Leader

- Ben, former Summer Student
- Seniors and Accessibility Grant

- \$10,000 barrier removal initiative
- Potential projects:
 - Sensory spaces
 - Adult change tables
 - Hearing loops
 - Stop Gap
- Ben to look into other projects

5.3 Accessible Bleachers at John Rhodes Arena

- Part of 2019 Plan but at the time, was not feasible
- Add on bleachers with ramp
- Will revisit

6. Old Business

6.1 Snow Clearing Priorities from AAC before October 31, 2023

- City has map showing areas to be plowed
- Bring forward any additional areas

6.2 Sault Ste. Marie Parks & Recreation Master Plan - Stakeholder Questionnaire

Send feedback ASAP

6.3 SSM Website Update

- RFP went out and came back and were reviewed
- Short list of 4
- No solid timeframe

7. Barrier Removal Updates

• Accessible Parking violations - Meeting with Tom Vair re: enforcement

8. Site Plan Sub Committee Report - None

9. Additional

• Invite Andy Starzomski & Carl Rumiel re: Crossing times at busy intersections

10. Adjourn - 3:35 p.m.

Moved by: S. Hollingsworth Seconded by: L. Vezeau Allen

CARRIED

Next meeting **Wednesday**, **November 8**, **2023** in person & Via Zoom 2:00 – 4:00