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2025 Status Update to the 2025-2029 Multi-year Accessibility Plan Staff Report to Council

Report Number: 2026-23

Department(s): Legislative Services

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Meeting Date: April 13, 2026

Recommendations

1. That the report entitled 2025 Status Update to the 2025-2029 Multi-year Accessibility Plan dated April 13, 2026 be received; and,
2. That the 2025 Status Update be approved (**Attachment 1**); and,
3. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval and provide the 2025 Status Update to the 2025-2029 Multi-year Accessibility Plan.

Background

Ontario municipalities are required to establish, implement, and maintain a Multi-year Accessibility Plan while providing annual updates on the Plan's progress through the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation (IASR) standard. Council approved the current 2025-2029 Multi-year Accessibility Plan at the [April 14, 2025 Council meeting](#) and this report serves to provide the 2025 annual status update to the current Plan.

Discussion

The Town of Newmarket is committed to creating an accessible environment by removing barriers for people of all abilities in our community. This includes Town staff, community and business partners, residents, and visitors.

Town staff from all departments were consulted in the development of the 2025 status update (Attachment 1).

The Newmarket Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) reviewed the status update at their March 19, 2026 meeting and passed the following motion: That the Accessibility Advisory Committee recommend that Council approve the 2025 Status Update to the 2025-2029 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan.

The status update continues to be segmented by department to highlight the work each team in the Town completed in 2025. The report also features a section on the annual accomplishments of the AAC.

As required by the Provincial Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation, staff will publish the approved 2025 status update to the Town's website.

Consultation

Staff from all departments and the Accessibility Advisory Committee were consulted.

Conclusion

Following approval of the 2025 Status Update to the 2025 to 2029 Multi-year Accessibility Plan, the update will be shared on the [dedicated page](#) on the Town's website.

Council Priority Association

This report aligns with the following Council Priority: Diverse, Welcoming, and Inclusive Community

Human Resource Considerations

None.

Budget Impact

Costs to implement projects identified in the Multi-year Accessibility Plan will continue to be addressed by the respective department.

Attachments

Attachment 1 – 2025 Status Update

Approval for Submission

Kiran Saini, Manager, Legislative Services

Lisa Lyons, Director, Legislative Services

Esther Armchuk, Commissioner, Corporate Services

Jeff Payne, Commissioner, Community Services

Peter Noehammer, Commissioner, Development & Infrastructure Services

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