Newmarket Accessibility Advisory Committee

Workplan Areas

- Public Awareness Campaign
 - Annual Accessibility Award
 - National Access Awareness Week
- York Region Area Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting
- Amendments to the Municipal Act, 2001
- Accessibility Audits of Town Facilities
- Consultation with Staff on Town projects
- Site Plan Review Process

Accomplishments 2014-2018 Term

Town Facility Audits

- Magna Centre
- Ray Twinney
- Community Centre and Lions Hall
- Old Town Hall
- Newmarket Theatre

Consultation

- Provided feedback on park improvements including park equipment, materials, design etc.
- Providing feedback regarding the Magna Centre parking lot design changes
- Provided feedback on upcoming capital projects
- Provide input and support of York Region Diversity and Inclusivity Charter
- Suggest Signage to improve communication of accessibility in Parks (e.g. College Manor Park)
- Website redesign

Consultation Con't

- Council Chambers AV Project Consultation
 - Consulted with staff on proposed improvements
 - Attended vendor demos to evaluate the products
- Accessible Washroom Upper Canada Mall and Ray Twinney
 - Met with management from the mall to initiate the construction of a fully accessible washroom at Upper Canada Mall (Hoyer lit and an adjustable adult change table). Renovations will be completed in 2019
 - Inspected washrooms at mall for accessibility and provided feedback for future renovations or upgrades
 - Inspected Ray Twinney complex and recommended improvements for a fully accessible washroom
- Downtown Main Street Patio Project
 - Provided comments prior to the start of the pilot project and provided feedback and recommendations for the project going forward
- Municipal Election
 - Support internet voting for the 2018 election
 - Audit of voter assistance centres (once selected) for accessibility
 - Endorse the Accessibility Plan for the Municipal Election

Completed Projects

- National Access Awareness Week
 - Planning and participating in yearly celebration of National Access Awareness Week
- Multi-Year Accessibility Plan Updates
 - Provided comments and endorse the annual Accessibility Plan Updates
- Council Chambers AV Project Consultation
 - Consulted with staff on proposed improvements
 - Attended vendor demos to evaluate the products
- Improvements to AAC's role in the Site Plan Review Process

Ongoing initiatives (present- next term)

- Making Downtown Newmarket more accessible initiatives
 - Collaborate with staff and BIA to develop options and raise awareness
- Accessible Taxis

AAC Members

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