

To: Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

From: Sadie Norrad, Accessibility and Communication Specialist

Meeting Date: May 1, 2019

Subject: Report AAC19-019

Draft Guidelines for On-street Patios

Purpose

A report to introduce a presentation from the City's Urban Design Planner on draft guidelines for on-street patios, sometimes referred to as sidewalk patios or pop-up patios.

Recommendation

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendation outlined in Report AAC19-019 dated May 1, 2019, of the Accessibility and Communication Specialist as follows:

That a presentation from the City's Urban Design Planner be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

Sidewalk patios in Ontario have traditionally been placed adjacent to the business in the sidewalk zone due to Ontario's liquor laws. Prior to 2011, restaurant and bar servers were not permitted to carry drinks across public sidewalks to licensed areas. With the modernized liquor laws in place, it is now possible to locate sidewalk patios in the on-

street parking zone. It is now not necessary to redirect the sidewalk to the on-street parking zone. With this approach, the sidewalk can remain as a linear clear path of travel.

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