



City of
Peterborough

To: **Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee**

From: **Sarah Mackillican, Communication Coordinator**

Meeting Date: **February 5, 2020**

Subject: **Report AAC20-007**
Access Fund Summary

Purpose

A report to update the Accessibility Advisory Committee on the current balance of the Access Fund.

Recommendation

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendation outlined in Report AAC20-007 dated February 5, 2020, of the Communication Coordinator as follows:

That report AAC20-007 with respect to the current balance of the Access Fund be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

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

Background

The City of Peterborough (City) is committed to demonstrate leadership for accessibility in the community. Our goal is to meet the diverse needs of all people, and follow the principles of dignity, independence, integration and equal opportunity. We will strive to achieve an inclusive environment for our facilities, goods, services, employment, information and transportation.

The Access Fund can be used to help the City meet the above commitment. The AAC can approve, at its discretion, the use of the Access Fund for project costs that will:

- a) Enhance accessibility in public spaces, transportation, the built environment, customer service, or information and communications;
- b) Remove and prevent barriers; or
- c) Help exceed minimum legislated accessibility requirements.

The draft 2020 budget has allotted \$25,000 to the Access Fund. If the draft budget is approved, the 2020 opening uncommitted balance of the Access Fund is \$25,000 + 1,939.96= \$26,939.96

The following are the 2019 approved Access Fund Requests, totaling \$70,571.82:

- 1. 009-17 Community Services ramp at \$50,000.00
- 2. 001-19: Hand-held magnifiers for the Peterborough Public Library (\$925.00)
- 3. 002-19 Trail benches (\$8,191.86)
- 4. 003-19 Automatic door at King Street Parkade (\$5816.96)
- 5. 2020-001 Signage at Peterborough Memorial Centre (\$5641.00)

As of February 5, 2020, no Access Fund Requests have been approved for the 2020 budget.

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