



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

From: Sarah Mackillican, Communication Coordinator

Meeting Date: June 2, 2021

Subject: Access Fund Request 2021-001, Report AAC21-018

Purpose

A report to seek approval for Access Fund Request 2021-001 submitted by the City of Peterborough's Planner, Urban Design, to cover the cost of additional accessible features for improvements planned at Heritage Park.

Recommendations

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendations outlined in Report AAC21-018 dated June 2, 2021, of the Communication Coordinator as follows:

- a) That a presentation by the Planner, Urban Design, regarding requested Heritage Park accessibility upgrades be received for information; and
- b) That Access Fund Request 2021-001 be approved.

Budget and Financial Implications

This Access Fund Request 2021-001 for accessibility improvements in Heritage Park is for \$50,000.00. The current balance of the Access Fund is \$50,809.96. Approval of this request would result in an Access Fund balance of \$809.96.

Background

The City of Peterborough is developing a plan for the neighbourhood park known as Heritage Park, located at 380 Carnegie Avenue in Ward 5. A public survey launched in March 2021 and closed on April 21, 2021. A virtual public information session was held on April 7, 2021 to provide details about this project and answer questions from attendees. The presentation materials from the April 7 meeting can be found on the [Connect Peterborough Heritage Park page](#).

The total budget for this project is \$150,000. The Planner requests that the Accessibility Advisory Committee approves Access Fund request 2021-001 as a method to enhance amenities that are not covered in the project budget. The additional funds will be used to enhance the level of accessibility for various planned Heritage Park amenities beyond minimum legislative requirements, such as additional benches and a paved walkway around the play zones that connects to all seating areas in lieu of a single access point to the play zones.

The next steps for this project are to hire a landscape architecture firm to prepare a park concept and drawings, with an anticipated start date for construction in the fall of 2021.

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Attachments:

Appendix A – Access Fund Request 2021-001
Appendix B – Accessibility Upgrades – Cost Estimate
Appendix C – Heritage Park Key Map
Appendix D – Heritage Park Conceptual Park Plan