



City of
Peterborough

TO: Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

FROM: Phyllis Hodder, Accessibility Coordinator

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2013

SUBJECT: Report AAC13-005
(Follow Up Report to AAC12-016)
Peterborough Lakefield Police Services Board Accessibility
Standards and Taxi Cabs

PURPOSE

A report to provide follow up information to the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) regarding the requirements of the Peterborough Lakefield Police Services Board as per **Regulation 191/11 Integrated Accessibility Standard** and Accessible Taxi Cabs.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report AAC13-005, dated February 6, 2013, of the Accessibility Coordinator as follows:

That the report by the Accessibility Coordinator regarding the Peterborough Lakefield Police Services Board Accessibility Standards and Taxi Cabs be received for information.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no budget or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

BACKGROUND

The Integrated Accessibility Standard (IAS) was enacted, as law under **Ontario Regulation 191/11** and came into effect on July 1, 2011 as part of the **Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005**. Section 79 addresses the **Duties of Municipalities and Taxicabs**, which requires the Peterborough Lakefield Police Services Board to address the following:

- 79.(1) Every municipality shall consult with its municipal accessibility advisory committee, where one has been established in accordance with subsection 29(1) or (2) of the Act, the public and persons with disabilities to determine the proportion of on-demand accessible taxicabs required in the community.
- (2) Every municipality shall identify progress made toward meeting the need for on-demand accessible taxicabs, including any steps that will be taken to meet the need, in its accessibility plan required under Part 1.
- (3) Municipalities shall meet the requirements of this section by January 1, 2013.

Currently, the City of Peterborough has two taxicab companies operating. Capitol Taxi has ten accessible taxicabs and Call-a-Cab has two accessible taxicabs.

On November 7, 2012 Niquel Pritchard Pataki from The Peterborough Lakefield Police Services Board made a presentation to the AAC seeking input regarding accessible taxicabs to determine how the Police Services Board could move forward to meet the legislative requirements outlined above.

As a result of that consultation, a questionnaire was sent out to a number of agencies in the community, seeking information regarding accessible taxi cabs. The attached report from the Police Services Board outlines the results of the questionnaire and the recommendations made by the Police Services Board.

Appendix A provides the Police Services Report dated January 15, 2013

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Attachments: Appendix A –Peterborough Lakefield Police Services Board Accessibility Update