



City of
Peterborough

TO: Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

FROM: Phyllis Hodder, Accessibility Coordinator

MEETING DATE: March 6, 2013

SUBJECT: Report AAC13-007
Utility Services Department Presentation - Sidewalks

PURPOSE

A report to provide information to the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) regarding the City of Peterborough's current policies and procedures pertaining to the provision of sidewalks.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report AAC13-007, dated March 6, 2013, of the Accessibility Coordinator as follows:

That the presentation by the Transportation Demand Management Planner, regarding the City of Peterborough's current policies and procedures pertaining to the provision of sidewalks be accepted for information.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

BACKGROUND

The Design of Public Spaces Standard was added to the **Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation 191/11** as of January 1, 2013. The standard outlines requirements for:

- Recreational Trails and Beach Access Routes, Outdoor Public Use Eating Areas, Outdoor Play Spaces, Exterior Paths of Travel, Accessible Parking, Obtaining Services and Maintenance

As part of the requirements for the Design of Public Spaces Standard, the City of Peterborough shall consult with the public, people with disabilities and the AAC before constructing new or making major changes to existing exterior paths of travel. The City must also consult on the design and placement of rest areas along the exterior path of travel. The standard applies to newly constructed and redeveloped exterior paths of travel designed and constructed for pedestrian travel that the City intends to maintain. This is to include:

- outdoor sidewalks and walkways
- stairs and ramps
- curb ramps (a ramp that is cut through or built-up to a curb)
- depressed curbs (usually found at intersections)

(Excluded from **Regulation 191/11** are paths designed to provide a recreational experience and paths regulated by the Ontario Building Code.)

The presentation by Susan Sauve, Transportation Demand Management Planner will provide additional information to the Accessibility Advisory Committee on the current By-laws and policies that regulate the installation of sidewalks in the City of Peterborough.

Submitted by,

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Attachments:

Appendix A – Policy No. 0002, Provision of Sidewalks

Appendix B – Procedure No. 002-P01 (Revision 1), Sidewalk Implementation Procedure
for Existing Streets

Appendix C – Official Plan Amendment No. 152 (By-law 11-045)