

Peterborough

то:	Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee
FROM:	Phyllis Hodder, Accessibility Coordinator
MEETING DATE:	October 2, 2013
SUBJECT:	Report AAC13-016 The City's AODA Compliance progress

PURPOSE

A report to provide information to the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) on the City's Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) compliance progress.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee approves the recommendation outlined in Report AAC13-016 dated October 2, 2013, of the Accessibility Coordinator, as follows:

That the presentation by the Accessibility Compliance Coordinator, regarding the City's AODA compliance progress, be received for information.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

BACKGROUND

The Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (<u>AODA</u>) has three standards created under it, two of which are now law. The first standard to become law was the Accessibility Standards for Customer Service (<u>Ontario Regulation 429/07</u>) and the second standard to become law was the Integrated Accessibility Standards (<u>Ontario Regulation 191/11</u>). These regulations have numerous requirements that both public and private sector organizations must comply with.

To ensure compliance, the City of Peterborough created an Accessibility Project to develop and implement an action plan. As a result, the City met the January 1, 2010 compliance deadline for the requirements of the Accessibility Standards for Customer Service and continues to comply with the requirements.

The compliance deadlines for the Integrated Accessibility Standards vary. They range from July 1, 2011 to January 1, 2021. The City's <u>2012 to 2016 Accessibility Plan</u> describes the City's strategy to meet the requirements of the regulation. It includes a status update and action required for all of the regulation's requirements.

The presentation by the Accessibility Compliance Coordinator will summarize the City's Integrated Accessibility Standards compliance status. As requested by the AAC, the presentation will emphasize the status of requirements related to staff training and accessible information, with details on progress towards making our websites accessible.

Submitted by,

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