



**ACCESSIBILITY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2015

7 P.M.

**LEKSAND ROOM
AURORA TOWN HALL**

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**TOWN OF AURORA
ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA**

DATE: Wednesday, April 1, 2015
TIME & LOCATION: 7 p.m., Leksand Room, Aurora Town Hall

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

RECOMMENDED:

THAT Committee Members appoint a Member to be the Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the first half of the 2014-2018 Term; and

THAT Committee Members appoint a Member to be the Vice Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the first half of the 2014-2018 Term.

- 1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the agenda as circulated by Legal and Legislative Services be approved.

- 3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**
- 4. DELEGATIONS**
 - (a) Stephen M. A. Huycke, Town Clerk**
Re: Advisory Committee Member Education & Training
 - (b) Chris Catania, Accessibility Advisor**
Re: Accessibility Advisory Committee Update

- (c) **Ashley Murdoch, King City Resident**
Re: Proposal for an Inclusion Coordinator

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5. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 1. Memorandum from Accessibility Advisor**
Re: Town of Aurora 2015-2021 Accessibility Plan

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RECOMMENDED:

THAT the memorandum regarding the Town of Aurora 2015-2021
Accessibility Plan be received for information.

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. ADJOURNMENT



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DELEGATION REQUEST

This Delegation Request form and any written submissions or background information for consideration by either Council or Committees of Council must be submitted to the Clerk's office by the following deadline:

4:30 P.M. ON THE BUSINESS DAY PRIOR TO THE REQUESTED MEETING DATE

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE/ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATE: April 1, 2015

SUBJECT: Proposal for an Inclusion Coordinator

NAME OF SPOKESPERSON: Ashley Murdoch

NAME OF GROUP OR PERSON(S) BEING REPRESENTED (if applicable):

BRIEF SUMMARY OF ISSUE OR PURPOSE OF DELEGATION:

I am presenting the need for an Inclusion Coordinator for The Town of Aurora to oversee/run/create Inclusive recreation programs

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest? YES NO

IF YES, WITH WHOM? John Abel and Sandra Humfries **DATE:** Mar 24, 2015

X acknowledge that the Procedural By-law permits five (5) minutes for Delegations.

YES





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**Town of Aurora
Building and By-law Services**

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 1, 2015
TO: Accessibility Advisory Committee
FROM: Chris Catania, Accessibility Advisor
RE: Town of Aurora 2015-2021 Accessibility Plan

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the memorandum regarding the Town of Aurora 2015-2021 Accessibility Plan be received for information.

The Town of Aurora Accessibility plan was established in 2003 as part of the legislative requirement under the Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2001 (ODA) and is reviewed and updated on an annual basis.

Under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 specifically relating to Ontario Regulation 191/11 (Integrated Accessibility Standards), municipalities must also establish, implement, maintain and document a multi-year accessibility plan, which outlines the organization's strategy to prevent and remove barriers. The multi-year accessibility plan is required to be reviewed and updated at least once every five years.

In an effort to improve efficiencies, the Town has one accessibility plan. The 2015-2021 Accessibility Plan will be reviewed and updated annually satisfying the legislative requirements of both the Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2001 and Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1 - Town of Aurora 2015-2021 Accessibility Plan

Attachment 1

2015 to 2021
Town of Aurora



MULTI-YEAR ACCESSIBILITY PLAN



Equal Opportunity | Integration | Independence | Dignity
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Message from Staff

The Town of Aurora is dedicated to continuously improving accessibility within the Town, and to achieving the goals set by the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). The 2015-2021 Town of Aurora Accessibility Plan outlines new accessibility initiatives, profiles past achievements which have improved accessibility within the municipality, and reflects the Town's commitment to the successful implementation of the AODA standards.

By working closely with Aurora's Accessibility Advisory Committee, the Town of Aurora has been able to acquire a better understanding of what residents have to say about the services we deliver. In addition to this important feedback, prioritization has been given to legislative and non-legislative initiatives helping further shape the 2015-2021 Accessibility Plan.

Moving forward, the Town of Aurora has built a solid foundation that will allow the municipality to advance and strengthen its commitment to improving accessibility for all. Over the next seven years, the Town is committed on meeting the Integrated Accessibility Standards of the AODA. These include the standards for information and communication, employment, transportation and the design of public spaces. By developing initiatives in these key areas, Aurora continues to identify, remove and prevent barriers that create a more inclusive community to live, work and play.

If you have questions, comments, or concerns about accessibility within the Town of Aurora, please feel free to contact me at (905) 727-3123, ext 4212 or at accessibility@aurora.ca.

Sincerely,

Chris Catania
Accessibility Advisor

Message from the Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

On behalf of the Accessibility Advisory Committee we are pleased to present the Accessibility Plan for the Town of Aurora. The Accessibility Advisory Committee is comprised of citizens within our Town who have a disability, work within that field or may have a family member with a disability, and a member of Town Council working together with Town staff to ensure that facilities and services provided by the Town are accessible and strive to be barrier free.

The Town of Aurora is growing, together with that growth is the need for additional facilities and services for its citizens. In the coming year and further we will see the evolution of projects that have required input from this committee. The expansion of the Aurora Family Leisure Complex, the "Access Aurora" customer service unit at Town Hall, and construction of the Joint Operations Centre will have an impact upon this town. It is the goal of all to ensure that all facilities can and will be accessible to anyone with a disability – no matter what that disability may be.

As a committee, we remain open for comment, input and feedback from our citizens in order to capture all that is needed to be successful in the goal of attaining a barrier free community. I am proud to be a citizen member and working together with the Town in making this community an even better place to live for all.

Yours Sincerely,

John Lenchak, Chair
Accessibility Advisory Committee

Introduction

Statement of Commitment

The Town of Aurora is committed to providing equitable treatment to people with disabilities with respect to the use and benefit of Town programs, services and facilities. The Town seeks to identify and remove barriers to accessibility and prevent the creation of new barriers. The Town is working to provide services in a manner that respects the dignity and independence of all Aurora citizens, our employees and visitors. The Town of Aurora is equally dedicated to ensuring that all AODA legislated obligations are met in a timely manner and that compliance with these standards is maintained.

Background

The purpose of the Town of Aurora's Accessibility Plan is to demonstrate how the Town will be implementing the legislative requirements of the *Ontarians with Disabilities Act (ODA) (2001)*, the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (2005)* and to manage compliance with emerging AODA regulations related to the Corporation of the Town of Aurora. In addition, the Town recognizes that there is also a need for innovation outside of the legislation and that additional initiatives are required to either prepare for forthcoming legislation, or in some cases, to work beyond the legislation to meet resident's accessibility needs. The Town recognizes that achieving these objectives requires a corporate-wide approach in order to **identify, remove, and prevent barriers for residents, employees and visitors.**

Over the past several years, the Town of Aurora has undertaken a number of initiatives aimed at ensuring the municipality remains as inclusive and barrier-free as possible. These include, but are not limited to:

- Developing Town of Aurora Accessibility Plans annually as part of the requirements of the *Ontarians with Disabilities Act 2001 (ODA)*;
- Providing Accessible Formats;
- Investing nearly \$600,000 on accessibility retrofits in Town facilities, programs and services since 2002;
- Creating an accessible taxi training program;
- Training over 500 Town employees, volunteers, community partners and Town contractors on Accessibility, AODA and Human Rights Code;
- Providing Accessible Customer Service training to all staff beyond AODA parameters.
- Installing Audible Pedestrian Signals at main Town intersections;
- Creating annual Accessibility events to highlight achievements and bring awareness to the importance of accessibility to Town services;
- Meeting and maintaining compliance with the ODA and AODA legislation.

Guiding Principles

The guiding principles of the Town's Accessibility Plan include:

- Working consultatively with the Accessibility Advisory Committee and other community members to ensure the actions identified in the accessibility plan is responsive to the needs of the community;
- Proactive and timely to meet the provincial compliance deadlines;
- Fiscally responsible by using provincial tools, templates and guides where applicable;
- Proactive to spread the cost of implementation over multiple years;
- Seeking efficiencies by training all existing staff only once;
- Ensuring that areas of accountability are clearly defined by implementing clauses by department; and,
- Developing support tools and templates to assist staff with implementation

Implementation Strategy

Structure and Governance

The responsibility for the implementation of the AODA falls within the Town's Building & By-law Services Accessibility Office. Accountability for the various clauses within the Integrated Accessibility Regulation is a shared responsibility with the various departments. The Accessibility Office has oversight responsibility for ensuring that their respective clauses are executed according to legislative requirements to pertaining to the service they deliver. For example:

- Accessible Taxis are led by Building & By-law Services;
- Website compliance is led by Corporate Communications;
- Employment requirements are led by Human Resources;
- Information and communication Supports is led by Corporate Communications;
- Procurement and Kiosks requirements are Legal & Legislative Services; and,
- Library requirements are led by Aurora Public Library.

General clauses are led by the Building & By-law Services Department through the work of the Accessibility Office. Responsibilities of the Accessibility Office include; but are not limited to, the development of the corporate wide accessibility plan, implementing the legislative consultation process, working with other municipalities and the province on accessibility-related issues, developing and reviewing policy, creating training modules and materials, reporting on progress to the Executive Leadership Team, Accessibility Advisory Committee, Council, and working with the Director of Building & By-law, Town Clerk and Solicitor on all compliance reporting to the Province of Ontario.

Accessibility Advisory Committee

The Accessibility Advisory Committee has been in place since November 2002, as a municipal requirement of the *Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (ODA).

The Committee is comprised of a minimum of five (5) members, including: Three (3) members who are people with disabilities; One (1) Member of Council; and One (1) member who is a citizen volunteer, parent of a child with a disability, or professional from the stakeholder community.

2012-2014 Accessibility Committee Members included:

- John Lenchak – Chair
- Tyler Barker – Vice Chair
- Councillor Wendy Gaertner
- Leonard Fox
- Helen Kogan

The purpose of the Accessibility Advisory Committee is to encourage and facilitate accessibility on behalf of all persons with disabilities by: promoting public awareness and sensitivity; encouraging co-operation among all service and interest groups to ensure an inclusive community for all persons; identifying and documenting relevant issues and concerns; improving access to housing, transportation, education, recreation, and employment which are all qualities of a five-star community; improving communication among all levels of government and service agencies to make recommendations regarding policy, procedure and legislation; to educate and champion needs that arise based on the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (2005); and recognizing that the needs of all persons, including persons with disabilities, are constantly changing.

Duties and Functions of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

The Committee assists Council by advising, reviewing, and making comments and recommendations of interest to/for people with disabilities, and dealing with community issues relevant to persons with disabilities.

Some of the items reviewed by the Committee include:

- Providing advice to Council each year regarding the preparation, implementation and effectiveness of the municipal accessibility plan and making recommendations on the outstanding accessible project list or items based on Council's funding allocation for accessibility;
- Providing advice to Council and staff for compliance purposes as per the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (2005);
- Establishing guidelines pertaining to accessibility, that staff may consider in the review of site plans and subdivision agreements (i.e., building accessibility, curb cuts on roadways, audible traffic signals, etc.);

- Commenting on selected designated accessible parking, including: ensuring that it is as convenient to the entrance as possible; ensuring that it is properly identified and signed as designated accessible parking; reviewing the total number of designated accessible parking spots in relation to the total number of parking spaces in new development; reviewing ways to improve the placement of existing designated parking within the municipality; and suggesting ways to increase, wherever possible, on both public and private lands, the number of designated accessible parking spaces within the municipality;
- Commenting on the accessibility for persons with disabilities to a building, structure, or premises or part of a building, structure or premises that the municipality purchases, contracts or significantly renovates or for which a new lease is entered into i.e. Aurora Town Hall, Joint Operations Centre & Aurora Family Leisure Complex;
- Commenting on the proposed and existing by-laws, services, practices, programs and policies of the municipality and how they relate to the general public, including persons with disabilities;
- Commenting on how the needs of persons with disabilities can be better served through the municipality's purchasing of goods and services;
- Monitoring federal and provincial government directives and regulations and advising Council regarding same;
- Conducting research on accessibility issues; and
- Liaising with other municipalities, Region of York, and local stakeholder groups on accessibility and disability issues/interests.

General Accessibility and Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Implementation Plan

In addition to the AODA requirements, the Town continues work to increase accessibility for residents and visitors by creating additional non-legislated initiatives that support the goals set by Council in accordance with the AODA. Examples of this work include: Audible Pedestrian Signals; Increased Way-finding signage, Hearing Assist in meeting rooms, and increased accessible retrofits relating to the Design of Public Spaces Standard (Built Environment).

Legislated Goals:

Customer Service

Maintain compliance with Accessible Customer Service Standard and continue to identify additional customer service enhancements as required:

- a) Provide accessible Customer Service training to staff, volunteers and third parties;
- b) Receive and respond to feedback about the manner in which goods or services are provided to persons with disabilities; and,
- c) Provide notice of service disruptions.

General Requirements

Meet and maintain compliance with the AODA's Integrated Regulation General requirement:

- a) Complete a review of all relevant Town of Aurora by-laws, policies, procedures and guidelines to reflect the requirements of the AODA Integrated Accessibility Regulation;
- b) Ensure the procurement of Town goods, services, facilities and kiosks include accessibility criteria and features; and,
- c) Provide training on the AODA Integrated Accessibility Regulation and the Human Rights Act to all employees, volunteers; all persons who participate in developing the organization's policies; and all other persons who provide goods, services or facilities on behalf of the Town of Aurora.

Employment

Ensure the Town of Aurora's employment policies and practices are inclusive of people with disabilities:

- a) Ensure all employees and successful applicants with disabilities are informed of available supports and accommodations;
- b) Ensure applicants with disabilities are informed of available accommodations during the recruitment, assessment and the selection processes;
- c) Consult with employees to provide and arrange for accessible formats and communication supports;
- d) Provide to employees, upon request, individualized workplace emergency response information;

- e) Maintain a return to work process and provide individual documented accommodation plans for employees with disabilities when required;
- f) Ensure the needs of the employees with disabilities are taken into account for the purposes of performance management, career development, advancement and redeployment.

Information and Communication Supports

Provide accessible information and communication to residents, visitors and employees:

- a) Ensure Town processes for receiving and responding to feedback are accessible to people with disabilities by providing for, or arranging for, the provision of accessible formats and communication supports;
- b) Upon request, provide accessible feedback and communication supports in consultation with the requestor, in a timely manner that takes into account the person's accessibility needs and at no additional cost for all Town documents including emergency plans and public safety information;
- c) Ensure Town of Aurora website(s) and web content conform to the World Wide Web Consortium Guideline (WCAG) 2.0 initially at level A and increasing to Level AA in accordance with the timelines set out by the AODA Integrated Regulation; and,
- d) Inform the public of the availability and provide accessible materials where they exist and provide accessible formats and communication supports upon request.

Accessible Taxi Services

Ensure accessible taxi service is available to the public within the Town of Aurora:

- a) Consult with the Accessibility Advisory Committee and the public to determine the proportion of on-demand accessible taxicabs required in Aurora and demonstrate progress toward meeting that need;
- b) Ensure that no person with a disability is charged additional fees or is charged a fee for storage of mobility aids or mobility assistive devices; **and**,
- c) Ensure vehicle registration and identification is visible in accordance with Provincial legislation and is available in accessible formats for passengers with disabilities.

Design of Public Spaces (Built Environment)

The Town of Aurora will meet the requirements of (Ontario Regulation 413/12) under the Accessibility For Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA) and, in particular, Part IV.1 Design of Public Spaces Standards (Accessibility Standards for the Built Environment) in relation to:

- a) Recreational trails/beach access routes;
- b) Outdoor public-use eating areas like rest stops or picnic areas;
- c) Outdoor play spaces, like playgrounds in municipal parks;
- d) Exterior paths of travel, such as sidewalks, ramps, stairs, curb ramps, rest areas and accessible pedestrian signals;
- e) Accessible parking on and off street;
- f) Service related elements such as service counters, fixed queuing lines and waiting areas;
- g) Scheduled preventative maintenance

Non-Legislated Goals:

In addition to the legislated goals under the AODA, the Town of Aurora is committed to additional initiatives that help ensure the Town is becoming increasingly barrier-free; including:

Customer Services

- a) Hosting annual National Access Awareness Week events to inform the community about the accessibility of Town services and celebrate accessibility achievements.

Employment

- a) Conduct outreach with education institutions (elementary and high schools, colleges and universities), and Chamber of Commerce to promote employment opportunities to students with disabilities;
- b) Partner with agencies to help facilitate workplace experiences and promote employment opportunities for persons with disabilities;
- c) Track and monitor the percentage of accommodations provided to employees and applicants;
- d) Deliver training to employees to foster a respectful workplace (includes training on better understanding learning disabilities equity and diversity); and,
- e) Increase the completeness of the internal data base of persons with disabilities to reflect their representation in the workforce.

Information and Communication

- a) Develop a Customer Service Awareness booklet to user groups permitting Town facilities
- b) Increase hearing assist such as closed captioning to viewers of Rogers Cable TV/Streaming for Town Council meetings
- c) Increase function of Council Chambers projector screen to include C.A.R.T. or electronic note taking for public meetings
- d) Review and increase where necessary TTY machines throughout municipal facilities
- e) Increase accessibility in Town Hall with the addition of appropriate way-finding, tactile signage, assistive workstations and self-service kiosks.

Transportation

- a) Training for staff and Taxi Owners/Operators licensed in Aurora consistent with the requirements of the AODA Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation

Design of Public Spaces (Built Environment)

- a) Audible Pedestrian Program: Increase accessibility for pedestrians with retrofits and new development of Town intersections being equipped with Audible Pedestrian signals;
- b) Increase and retrofit facilities to include automatic door openers.
- c) Increase the number of accessible picnic tables throughout Town parks & facilities through regular life cycle management programs

- d) Increase accessibility of Town facilities through the auditing and implementation of an asset management plan based on approved budgets; and,
- e) Retrofit facilities with respect to: automatic door openers, washroom, passenger loading areas, parking, signs, ramps, reception desks, change rooms, kitchen, client counters, door widening, elevators, drinking fountains, telephones, stairs/railings/ramps, sidewalks/walkways, benches and picnic tables.
- f) Assist residents where needed with removal of windrows through partnerships.

Compliance Monitoring

The Accessibility Advisor shall monitor progress of this plan and shall coordinate and report on progress annually to the Accessibility Advisory Committee and Council through the Accessibility Plan. The Accessibility Advisor is responsible to report on Town compliance to the province, as per the provincial schedule.

Overview of 2009-2014 Accessibility Items and Barriers Removed

Several legislated and non-legislated improvements and community initiatives have increased opportunities for persons with disabilities to enjoy our beautiful Town.

Highlights of our Accomplishments include:

Increased Awareness across Our Corporation

- As a Corporation we continue to enforce Regulation 429/07 Accessible Customer Service for Persons with Disabilities to ensure that all residents and visitors with disabilities are treated with respect, dignity, inclusion and independence and are welcome at all of our facilities and municipal programs.
- In addition to our Accessible Customer Service Policy, there have been several improvements to our day-to-day procedures to incorporate accessibility at our various department counters. Staff are better equipped to assist customers with disabilities with resources that are available to them.
- Revised By-Law distinguishing pets from service animals allowing access into Town facilities/property
- New Town employees and Members of Council receive AODA-related training, including disability awareness and sensitivity, to gain resources and tools on how to better assist a customer with a disability.
- As a condition of licensing, Taxi owners/operators provided AODA Customer Service training including requirements under the Integrated Accessibility Standard in respect to tariffs, registration and identification information.
- Municipal procurement and tendering process has incorporated AODA related requirements since 2009 and over the years, the Town has been more diligent and equipped to provide municipal vendors and contractors various supports to assist them in their AODA compliance.
- Increased recruitment of diversity within Human Resources practices.
- Increased sensitivity training for Operators removing winter snow and lessening windrows near residential driveways.
- Staff trained in conducting Built Environment accessibility audits that increase accessibility in facilities and open spaces i.e. Victoria Hall.
- Canadian Paralympic Association “Changing Lives, Changing Minds” keynote training presentation to seasonal Town staff working with children with disabilities.
- Staff support on the Town intranet providing “Accessible Resources” folder.
- “Got Access” corporate guide for an accessible Aurora booklet

Removal of Physical Barriers

- Additional seating and respite bench areas set up in Municipal buildings including Town Hall.
- Final Completion of the Nokiidaa Trail connecting Aurora, Newmarket & East Gwillimbury providing seamless access for all citizens
- Support provided to “Doors Open” locations to assist with Accessibility including the loan of wheelchairs and a temporary ramp set up at Hillary House, Aurora’s National landmark.
- Addition of accessible ramps at the Cenotaph.



Accessible Ramps at Cenotaph

- Support provided for Remembrance Day including use of assistive devices.
- Self-checkout units designed at the Aurora Public Library for mobility aids including wheelchair accessibility.
- A patient “Hoyer” lift was purchased for the Aquatics Department at the Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex and Aurora Family Leisure Complex. In

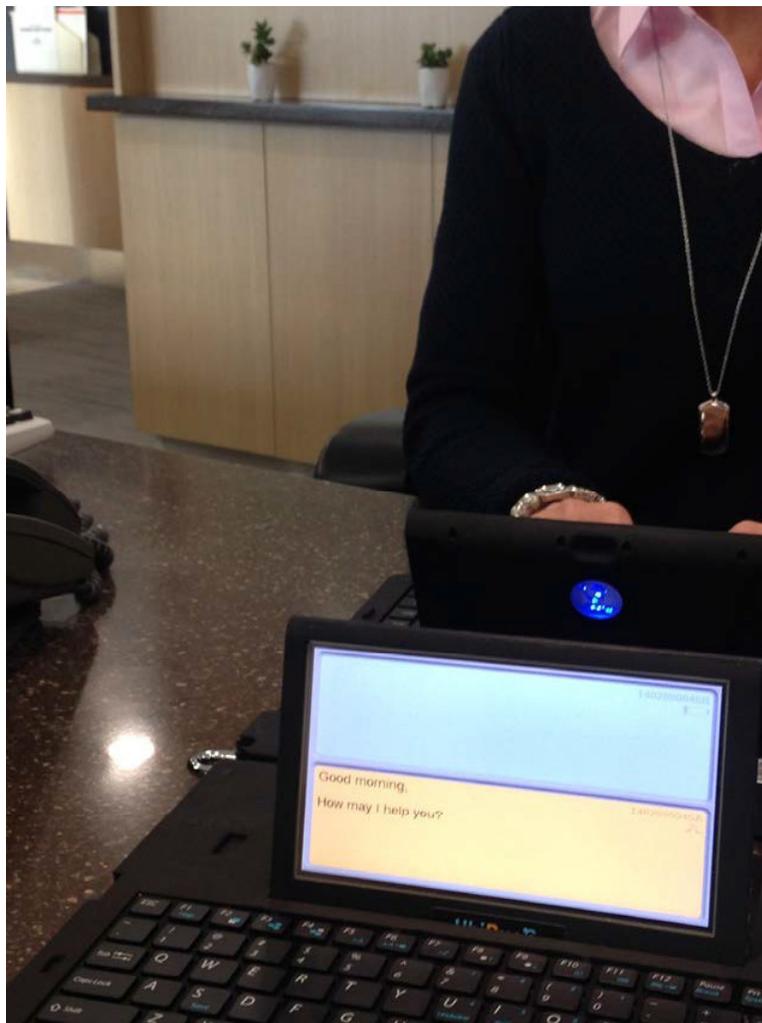
addition, a permanent Aquatic hydraulic lift was purchased for access into the Lap Pool for users.

- Continued accessible wheelchair seating area offered in Council Chambers when needed for meetings (Interior Council ramp too cumbersome for some residents with disabilities).
- A partnership with the IES Roads Crew and By-law was arranged to increase Accessible Parking Spots within the Town Park quadrant to assist accessible parking needs within this active area of Town.
- Bus Shelters re-designed to provide proper access and respite benches.
- IES Roads Crew mark intersections and curb cuts, including YRT platforms requiring maintenance creating seamless transitions between sidewalks and road ways for mobility aids.
- Installation of automatic door openers at main (south) Town Hall entrance and rear Council Chamber door.
- Slight modifications to Town Hall Council Chamber Ramps increasing turning radius for greater accessibility
- Additional accessible picnic tables in parks to assist mobility devices
- Installation of Automatic door openers for Family Change rooms at the Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex
- Increased safe access from York Region Transit Bus stop across road from 1400 Wellington Street East entrance. Bust stop relocated for safer access to Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex.
- Cable Tray Protectors purchased and provided for all major events to provide easier gate access and prevention of safety trip hazards.
- Installation of accessible traffic circle at Riverridge/Conover Blvd built to Design of Public Space Standards.
- Acquisition of accessible ramp for portable staging at Aurora Seniors Centre.
- Accessible pathways for accessing Machel Park to field events.

Improved Communication with Visitors/Residents with Disabilities

- The Town maintains an accessibility feedback form on the Town website encouraging residents and visitors with disabilities to communicate.
- A service disruption notice system is maintained with the Facilities division of each Municipal occupied building. This provides patrons extra notice when services are interrupted.
- Increased exposure within local media and newspapers highlighting disability tips and resources available within the Town.
- Accessible Customer Service information provided on the 2012 Interim Property Tax Bill
- All municipal Boards and Committee members received disability awareness training and booklets depicting Accessible Customer Service with patrons with disabilities.
- Emergency procedures, plans &/or public safety information is provided in an accessible format or with communication supports upon request.
- The Town has upgraded the corporate website to be accessible to WCAG Level A and includes BrowseAloud website software, the ability to enhance accessibility for people with mild vision impairments, learning difficulties and dyslexia.

- Installation of Audible Pedestrian Signals (APS) with accessible sidewalk/curbing at the Intersections of Yonge/St. John Sideroad, Yonge/Orchard Heights, Yonge/Wellington Streets and John West Way/Civic Square Gate.
- Hearing Induction Loop System installed in the Aurora Seniors Centre (West Mackenzie Room), Aurora Public Library (Magna & Lebovic Rooms) and Aurora Town Hall (Holland, Leksand & Tannery Rooms) that provides amplification to those with hearing disabilities.
- Installation of public TTY machines for Aurora Town Hall and Aurora Public Library.
- Increased “Way-finding contrasting” signage at Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex and Aurora Family Leisure Complex.
- Sign holders installed for Town Hall to increase accessibility of resources
- Use of Tablet device for residents/visitors/employees accessing documentation in a preferred accessible format.
- Inclusion of a Ubi-Duo device at Access Aurora counter for easier 2-way communication.



Ubi-Duo device for people with hearing disabilities.

Accessible Community Events & Community Engagement

- Mayor, Council, Town Staff and members of the community joined in celebrating International Day for Persons with Disabilities on December 3rd.
- Regular patrons with Disabilities continue to work on their health and wellness and engage the assistance of Fitness staff when needed at Club Aurora Fitness Centre and Indoor Track.
- Workplace experience program at the Club Aurora Fitness Centre and Parks Department for persons with intellectual disabilities
- Children with disabilities were able to access Town of Aurora Summer Camps and provided necessary 1 to 1 support. These children accessed Town of Aurora Summer Camps for multiple weeks.
- The Town of Aurora partnered with the Region of York and the N6 Municipalities to hold an Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) Forum as part of National Access Awareness Week.



National Access Awareness Week

- Increase awareness of availability of accessibility support for all Town Events and/or functions (upon request). Advertise and incorporate as part of event material where people can direct inquiries or ask for assistance for accessibility.
- Several Town events included on-site accessibility support & accessibility parking for customers in attendance.
- Lunch & Learn sessions organized for staff and members of the community becoming more educated with various disabilities along with support mechanisms.
- Aurora Town Notice Board in the local paper provided monthly disability highlights encouraging accessibility and tolerance within our Town.
- Town of Aurora Staff regularly participated in meetings held by the Ontario Network of Accessibility Professionals and the Municipal Reference Group

within the Northern 6 to stay informed of best practices when increasing accessibility within a Municipal environment

- Parks & Recreation Aquatics provides integrated 1 to 1 learn to swim instruction with the inclusion of adapted life jackets.
- Mediator Cards have been introduced for individuals in need of support to participate in recreational swimming and aqua fit programs. The mediator is able to attend at no charge in support of a customer with a disability.
- Therapeutic aquatic programming available for pre & post rehabilitation.
- Partner with Aurora Chamber of Commerce educating local businesses about AODA and inclusion of customers with disabilities.

Community Recognition and Awards

- The Town of Aurora continues to be recognized as a leader in Accessibility within the York Region and GTA area. Several of our procedural documents have been recognized and adopted by other municipalities including our corporate Accessible feedback form, access logos, Corporate Accessibility Policies, Business Accessibility Checklist and Election Inspection Accessibility Audit sheet.
- Town of Aurora Annual Community Recognition Awards include an “Accessibility Award” into the Celebration. This is awarded to an individual or organization that makes a significant contribution to the elimination of barriers for people with disabilities.
- The Town of Aurora obtained Level 1 of the Excellence Canada Progressive Excellence Program. Award achievement included a review and redrafting of Human Resources and accessibility policies, the draft of a communication plan that show Excellence Canada the Town is committed to continuous improvement.
- The Town of Aurora where possible provides a community experience program for people with disabilities.
- The Town of Aurora is 1 of 9 recipients in the Province of Ontario that received the Excellence Canada Ontario Accessibility Award going above and beyond basic AODA compliance and for providing excellent accommodation for people with disabilities.

Legislated Requirements

General

- Accessibility Policies have been established to reflect the Town's commitment in achieving the Accessible Customer Service Standard and Integrated Standards Regulation.
- Established a multi-year accessibility plan to identify, remove and prevent existing barriers for people with disabilities and indicate progress being made in accomplishing future legislative requirements.
- Accessibility features, criteria incorporated in procurement practices making goods, services and facilities more inclusive to people with disabilities.
- Training on the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation (191/11) and Human rights Code duty to accommodate people with disabilities

Accessible Customer Service Standard

- New Town employees and Members of Council receive AODA-related training, including disability awareness and sensitivity, to gain resources and tools on how to better assist a customer with a disability.
- Establishment of processes for feedback and Notice of Service Disruptions

Employment Standard

- Provided individualized workplace emergency response information to employees who have a disability and protocol in place for need of assistance.
- Making employment practices more accessible through recruitment, employees returning to work, employee accommodation, communication supports, performance management, career development and redeployment.

Information & Communications Standard

- The Town of Aurora's Emergency plan has been updated and made available to the public in an accessible format with appropriate communication supports upon request.
- Town of Aurora website platform launched to World Wide Web Consortium Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0, Level A.
- Established procedures to provide/arrange for accessible materials where they exist in the Aurora Public Library and any supports where/when necessary
- Notification to the public regarding accessible feedback processes, alternative formats and communication supports that the Town will provide.

Transportation Standard

- All licensed taxicabs issued from the Municipality prohibited owners and operators of taxicabs from charging a higher fare or an additional fee for persons with disabilities than for persons without disabilities for the same trip; and from charging a fee for the storage of mobility aids or mobility assistive devices.

- All licensed taxicabs issued from the Municipality ensured that owners and operators of taxicabs place vehicle registration and identification information on the rear bumper of the taxicab and further made available in an accessible format.
- Consulted and determined the proportionate number of “On-Demand” accessible taxi cabs Licensed in Aurora.



Identification of Aurora Accessible Taxicab

Accessibility Features and Assistive Devices Available at Various Town of Aurora Facilities

Aurora Town Hall

- Ramped access and automatic door openers at north entrance, south-east entrance and Building Department entrance (3rd floor)
- Automatic Door openers at 1st Floor entrances
- Automatic Door openers at rear area of Council Chamber
- Designated accessible parking
- Personal listening devices/amplification system available in Council Chambers for public meetings connected to microphone system
- Hearing Induction Loop System in Leksand, Holland & Tannery Rooms
- FM Assistive Device System, with lapel mic and teleconference table mic to assist with deaf and hard of hearing attendees for meetings held outside of Council Chambers where PA or audio systems may not be available.
- Town TTY telephone lines for the deaf (available on 1st & 2nd floor)
- Manual Wheelchairs and Transfer chairs available for use at Town Hall
- Respite benches at both front and back entrances
- Access Aurora Customer Service available to help with way-finding
- On-site Accessibility Advisor to assist with disability accommodations when attending Town events/meetings (by request for other departments)
- Documents available in alternate formats (by request)
- Electronic Note taking provided to assist residents with hearing loss attend public meetings (by request)
- Audible and visual fire alarm indicators
- Electronic LED Screens installed on 1st & 3rd floor entrances to assist with wayfinding
- Sign Holders installed to increase accessibility of resources
- Ubi-Duo device for easier 2-way communication at Access Aurora



Automatic Door Openers 1st Floor Town Hall entrance

Aurora Family Leisure Complex

- Designated accessible parking
- Ramped access/curb cuts and automatic door openers
- Ramped access to both rink and pool areas
- Patient “Hoyer” lift available for those with physical or mobility issues requiring assistance in/out of change room or pool deck area
- PVC wheelchairs in varying sizes that accommodate lateral transfers
- Water Walking Assistant that helps improve strength in balance and gait
- Aquatic Training Raft helping maintain horizontal body position to strengthen extremities
- Pool ramp available for transfers in/out of pool
- Adaptive Personal Flotation Devices for Swimmers with Disabilities
- Sensory Toys added to Aquatic & Community Programs
- Special Needs swimming and camp programs available
- Larger family change room to accommodate individuals with support persons attending with them
- Accessible washroom and shower area with bench seat and moveable shower head available (Within Aquatics Area)
- Small elevator lift (key-controlled) to access Fitness Centre
- Automatic door opener at Fitness Centre interior entrance
- Automatic door openers for the Family Change room
- On-site reception staff to assist in way-finding
- Increased Contrasting Way-finding Signage
- Respite benches and seating throughout building
- Audible and visual fire alarm indicators

Aurora Seniors Centre

- Ramped access from parking lot with designated accessible parking
- Automatic door openers throughout the building
- On-site reception area for assistance in way-finding
- Accessible washrooms and change rooms
- PA/microphone system available throughout entire building.
- Ramped accessible entrance/exit for back outdoor patio and BBQ area
- Audible and visual fire alarm indicators
- On-site wheelchair and walker available for incidental transfers to/from vehicles or accessible transportation
- On-site Accessibility assistance at large Senior community events when needed (By Request)
- Adaptable tables and various chair or stool heights available in the Seniors centre woodshop for ASC members/visitors with disabilities
- Page magnifiers available from staff as required for ASC members
- Community integration
- Incorporation of accessibility needs and requirements for community bus trips
- Hearing Induction Loop System installed in West Mackenzie Room providing amplification to those with hearing difficulties
- Ramp access to event staging in West Mackenzie Room

Aurora Community Centre

- Barrier-free sensor sliding glass door front entrances
- Designated accessible parking
- Large accessible change rooms to accommodate individuals with support persons attending with them
- Larger washroom available
- Elevator to access upper level spectator areas
- Respite benches and seating throughout building

Aurora Public Library

- Ramped access from east parking lot and from street level sidewalk
- Increased ramp and accessible grading and landscaped area at the South lower basement area (*Entrance to Pine Tree Potters)
- Automatic door openers front & back entrances
- Designated accessible parking
- Wheelchair Accessible Elevator service to 1st & 2nd floors
- Accessible 1st floor washroom facilities with barrier free entrances
- Single wheelchair accessible washrooms on 2nd floor
- Two lower self-checkout units customized for wheelchair accessibility
- On-site refreshment area with moveable tables and chairs
- Adaptive technology workstation featuring JAWS (screen reading software), ZoomText (Magnifying software), Kurzweil 1000 and Kurzweil 3000 (Scanning, writing and reading software) and the Duxbury Braille Translator
- On-site reception at Customer Service Desk within library to assist with way-finding or special requests
- Selection of large-print books and talking books
- Visiting library services at home, for people with disabilities, seniors, or those unable to travel to the library due to injury/wellness
- Access to the CNIB Partners Program
- Hearing Induction Loop System installed in Magna & Lebovic Rooms
- Installation of TTY telephone for hard of hearing at front entrance payphone



Accessible Library Self-checkout Station

Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex

- Designated accessible parking
- Ramped access/curb cuts and automatic door openers
- Mechanical Lift available for transfers in Therapeutic & Leisure Pools
- Patient "Hoyer" lift available for those with physical or mobility issues requiring assistance in/out of change room or pool deck area
- PVC wheelchairs in varying sizes that accommodate lateral transfers
- Water Walking Assistant that helps improve strength in balance and gait
- Aquatic Training Raft helping maintain horizontal body position to strengthen extremities
- Adapted Personal Flotation Devices for Swimmers with Disabilities
- Sensory Toys added to Aquatic & Community Programs
- Accessible washrooms and change locations including hands free dryers and soap dispensers
- Respite benches and seating throughout building
- Audible and visual fire alarm indicators
- Accessible Shower Nozzle in Family Changeroom increasing accessibility with patrons that have a disability.
- Shower curtain installed in Ladies accessible stall for privacy
- Ramped access to shallow pool & play area
- Increased Contrasting Way-finding Signage
- Addition of Digital Display Boards
- Automatic Door Openers for Family Change room Washrooms



Various Mobility Aids for Patron Transfers at SARC



Accessibility Plan Feedback Form

The Town of Aurora is committed to providing accessible customer service to all of our citizens. We welcome your comments and feedback regarding the Accessibility Plan. Assistance may be provided in an alternate format or necessary communications support.

Please detach this form and submit to any of the following:

Mail or Deliver to: Accessibility Advisor
Town of Aurora
100 John West Way, Box 1000
Aurora, ON L4G 6J1

E-mail to: accessibility@aurora.ca

Fax to: (905) 726-4732

(Please write or type your comments in the space provided below. Thank you.)

Was the Accessibility Plan helpful in understanding accessibility available within Town services, facilities and/or programs?

What further information/suggestions would you like to see included in the Accessibility Plan?

Any other comments or suggestions:

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Item #-Year Added	Type of Barrier to Accessibility	Solution	Associated Costs	Department Responsible	Year Completed	
01-2010	Physical Lack of accessibility ramps for Town Events	Purchased portable wheelchair ramps to be used at Town Events/functions as needed	\$100 One (1) ramp purchased from Aurora Seniors Centre wood shop for low-cost solution	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2010	
02-2010	Communication Lack of signage to advise availability of listening devices in Council Chambers	Purchased proper signage to advertise devices available in Council Chambers	N/A	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2010	
03-2010	Communication Lack of signage for TTY availability at Town Hall location	Purchased of proper signage to advertise devices available	N/A	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2010	
04-2010	Physical Lack of accessible exterior entrance at Pine Tree Potters Guild at Library location (basement level)	Accessible ground (basement) level access to exterior door on south entrance (requires no-step entrance)	Completed via Facilities/Parks Budgets Re-graded area and added asphalt path of travel	Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2010	
05-2010	Attitudinal Lack of accessibility knowledge and available information for local businesses	Built relationship with Chamber of Commerce to educate local businesses about AODA and inclusion of customers with disabilities	N/A PowerPoint presentation on file with Accessible Customer Service booklet	Customer & Legislative Services, Accessibility Advisory Committee	2011	

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06-2010	Physical Poor access to Parks Office - large steep staircase for public to use to reach Parks staff on 2 nd level at Scanlon location	Installed door buzzer at bottom of stairs for patrons to ring for staff, and convex mirror to be placed at the top of stairs to enhance security for staff and to better determine if patrons need assistance	\$200 Doorbell and convex mirror installed Improved signage installed	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Parks & Recreation Services	2011	
07-2010	Physical Lack of automatic door opener at main (south) entrance of Town Hall	Installed automatic door opener at main (south) entrance	\$2,500 parts and labour	Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2011	
08-2010	Attitudinal Lack of awareness of disability sensitivity among Town user groups who rent Town facilities	Developed "Got Access" A Guide for an Accessible Aurora. It provides customer service awareness material geared towards user groups	\$5,000 Design & Print	Building & By-law Services, Administration	2014	
10-2010	Communication Lack of accessible formats available for observing election debates	Provided electronic note-taker service for accessibility to deaf or hard of hearing residents attending debates (upon request)	\$160 per two-hour meeting, plus mileage	Customer & Legislative Services	2010	
12-2010	Communication Lack of closed captioning for Movie Nights presented at Aurora Town Library	Town Youth program staff offer closed captioned movies on specific nights (upon request)	N/A closed captioning available with movie; would need to be programmed or activated on play system at location	Customer & Legislative Services, Parks & Recreation Services	2011	

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13-2010	Communication Poor acoustics/ sound system in Council Chambers	Retrofitted current acoustics and PA/microphone system	Facilities rectified situation as of April 2011. Costs associated with Infrastructure & Environmental Services	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services and Administration	2011	
14-2010	Physical Wheelchair ramp in Council Chambers is too narrow and not big enough for power wheelchairs or scooters; does not have hand rails on both sides; does not meet current building code	Reconfigured public seating area by removing small section of moveable chairs at back row (by bi-fold doors) and designated a section for patrons with wheelchairs or scooters	\$500 Minimal cost for stencil/markings of carpet tiles to designate area clearly marked carpeted area with universal accessibility symbol to designate wheelchair section along back row	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2011	
17-2010	Communication & Physical Lack of signage at 3 rd floor Town Hall washrooms directing patrons to location of accessible washrooms (on 1 st and 2 nd floors)	Purchased and installed appropriate signage	\$250 Temporary signs & sign holders	Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2011	
19-2010	Attitudinal & Communication Lack of knowledge among Corporate Town employees regarding location of available accessibility resources within municipal buildings and Town-operated programs	Developed "Got Access" Accessibility Resource Guide for Town staff and patrons	\$5,000 Design & Print	Building & By-law Services, Administration	2014	

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20-2010	Communication Lack of awareness of availability of accessibility support for all Town Events and/or functions (upon request)	Advertised and incorporated as part of event material where people can direct inquiries or ask for assistance for accessibility	Costs vary depending on type of request received i.e. services in kind or operating supplies	Customer & Legislative Services, Administration	2012	
21-2010	Communication Lack of community outreach to increase accessibility awareness	Outreach plan created by AAC and Accessibility Advisor Held annual events, information fairs, etc.	N/A	Customer & Legislative Services, Accessibility Advisory Committee, Administration	2011	
22-2010	Attitudinal Lack of accessibility awareness among Taxicab operators	Awareness training for Taxicab operators	\$600/Training	Customer & Legislative Services, Accessibility Advisory Committee, Building & By-law Services	2012	
23-2010	Communication & Physical Lack of adequate signage at AFLC indicating accessible entrance location	Improved signage	\$50/sign Signage installed	Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2011	
24-2010	Communication Visual difficulties of Town-written material from Finance	Improved font size and set-up of tax and water bills	N/A Costs associated with set-up and mail out	Financial Services, Customer & Legislative Services	2012	
27-2010	Communication No formal Affordable and Accessible Housing Policy in Official Plan	Included Affordable and Accessible Housing Policy in Official Plan	N/A	Planning & Development Services	2010	

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Item #-Year Added	Type of Barrier to Accessibility	Solution	Associated Costs	Department Responsible	Year Completed	
01-2011	Physical & Communication Lack of Audible Pedestrian Signal (APS) for busy intersection at Orchard Heights and Yonge St	Installed APS at recommended intersection in collaboration with York Region	\$50,000 Retrofit cost due to condition of intersection and current poles	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Region of York Transportation Department	2012	
02-2011	Physical & Attitudinal Snowplows dumping snow within resident driveways -- creating barriers for residents with disabilities to enter/exit their paths of travel	Windrow removal program for residents with disabilities that identify removal is an issue Driver sensitivity training provided. Included training for IES staff and sub-contractors used for plowing. Corporate Accessibility Training removing & preventing barriers	Driver sensitivity training conducted in-house with minimal cost for materials	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2011	
03-2011	Physical & Systemic Lack of disability support at Town Special Events as required	Additional staff made available when Accessibility Advisor is unable to attend (unrealistic to have one/same person attend all Events) Staff submitted accessibility request when support required for Town Events	Cost - N/A Staff allowed to 'flex' time and adjust 8:30-4:30 work week when Events are pre-planned	All Departments	2011	
06-2011	Physical Lack of safe access from bus stop across road from SARC drive-way entrance	Location of bus stop moved to facilitate safe crossing at traffic intersection Wellington/Leslie Streets	N/A	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Region of York Transportation Department	2012	

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07-2011	Physical Lack of access to the Cenotaph for people with mobility issues	Included ramp access to Cenotaph along path/stairway. Design features include Design of Public Space standards	\$20,000	Building & By-law Services, Parks & Recreation Services	2014	
01-2012	Physical & Communication Lack of Amplification System in the Town Hall Committee Rooms (i.e. Leksand/Holland Rooms)	Hearing Induction Loop System installed in Holland/Leksand Rooms for Public Meetings	\$5,000	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2012	
02-2012	Physical Lack of Access into the Lap Pool of SARC	Installed permanent hydraulic lift onto the Lap Pool	\$6,000	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2012	
03-2012	Physical Lack of Access through the back door of the Council Chambers	Installed Automatic Door and Distress paddles	\$2,500	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2012	
04-2012	Physical Lack of Access into the Accessible Washrooms of the Family Changeroom in the SARC	Installed Automatic Door and Distress paddles	\$12,000	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2012	
06-2012	Physical & Communication Lack of Amplification System in the West Mackenzie Room of the Aurora Seniors Centre	Hearing Induction Loop System installed in West Mackenzie Room for Public Meetings & Events	\$3,500	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2012	

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07-2012	Physical & Communication Lack of Audible Pedestrian Signal & Curb Cuts (APS) for Yonge & Wellington, and Yonge & St. John's Sdr	Installed APS at recommended intersections in collaboration with York Region	\$50,000 Retrofit cost due to condition of intersection and current poles	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Region of York Transportation Department	2012	
08-2012	Communication & Physical Lack of appropriate accessible signage and way-finding system directing patrons to the appropriate located within SARC & AFLC	Accessible way-finding signage required to meet accessible needs for patrons specifically using public areas of recreational facilities	\$5,000	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Parks & Recreation Services	2012	
09-2012	Physical & Attitudinal Lack of seating in Bus Shelters	Installed accessible seating in all Bus Shelters	Region of York, and YRT funded project	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Region of York Transportation Department	2012	
10-2012	Physical Intersection of Conover & Riveridge Blvd traffic circle has sidewalk heaving causing lip between road and sidewalk	Replacement and re-pouring of curbing/sidewalk around the traffic circle of the intersection	\$13,000	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2013	
12-2012	Physical Lack of Picnic Tables in Parks accessible to various mobility aids	Incorporated Capital replacement of tables with accessible picnic tables in strategic high traffic areas	Parks Capital Replacement on a yearly basis, changing out tables coming out of service	Customer & Legislative Services, Parks & Recreation Services	2013	

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Item #-Year Added	Type of Barrier to Accessibility	Solution	Associated Costs	Department Responsible	Year Completed	
14-2012	Physical Lack of Change tables in Aquatic Centre changerooms	Investigated requirements of SARC & AFLC to determine, space, placement and quantity. Family Changeroom has accessible stalls/rooms with accessible benches for proper transfers	N/A	Customer & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Parks & Recreation Services	2013	
15-2012	Communication Lack of TTY at municipal buildings	Additional TTY installed on Town Hall first floor payphone and Aurora Public Library lobby payphone	\$300/phone	Customer & Legislative Services	2012	
16-2012	Physical Lack of Parking on the street with Accessibility Parking Permit (Overnight, No stopping zones, etc)	Reviewed existing By-law. Determined that it would provide inequalities and is winter liability for clearing of roads	N/A	Customer & Legislative Services, Building & By-law Services	2013	
17-2012	Communication Lack of accessibility on website for people with dyslexia, learning & visual impairments	The Town is proceeding to launch a new website (WCAG Level A) platform with increasing accessible features. Interim solution installed "BrowseAloud" accessible website software.	Website platform funded by Administration. Accessible software, \$2,500/year	Customer & Legislative Services, Corporate & Financial Services, Administration	2012	
18-2012	Physical Cable trip hazard for all patrons entering front gates of Special Events i.e. Ribfest	Purchased cable protector ramps allowing barrier free access	\$2,500	Customer & Legislative Services	2012	

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20-2012	Communication Lack of accessible formats available for observing election debates	Provided upon request electronic note-taker service. Interpreters for accessibility to deaf or hard of hearing residents attending debates	Cost \$250 per two-hour meeting/service, plus mileage cost to service provider	Legal & Legislative Services, Building & By-law Services	2014
21-2012	Physical Lack of access along sidewalks/walkways that display Election Signs	Provided education to Candidates proper sign placement in accordance with sign By-Law. By-Law Staff enforced, removed, relocated that impeded physical access	N/A	Legal & Legislative Services, Building & By-law Services	2014
01-2013	Physical Intersection of Yonge & Henderson Street YRT Bus Platform has sidewalk heaving causing lip between road and sidewalk	Replacement and re-pouring of curbing/sidewalk around the bus stop of the intersection	\$20,000	Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Region of York Transportation	2014
07-2013	Physical Intersection of Conover & Borealis Ave traffic circle has sidewalk heaving causing lip between road and sidewalk	Replacement and re-pouring of curbing/sidewalk around the traffic circle of the intersection	\$15,000	Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2014
08-2013	Communication Lack of Visual/Audio Emergency System Detectors in Town Hall meeting rooms for the public	Installation of Horn/Strobe Alarms in Leksand, Holland, Tannery Rooms and Council Chambers	\$500/device plus installation	Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services	2014

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RECOMMENDED ACCESSIBILITY ITEMS FOR 2015-2021						
Item #- Year Added	Type of Barrier to Accessibility	Proposed Solution	Associated Costs	Department Responsible	Status of Project Item	Target Year Completion
11-2010	Communication Lack of closed captioning option for Council meetings aired on Rogers Cable TV	Closed captioning to be requested with Rogers Cable TV	\$15,000/year set up by Rogers Cable TV	Legal & Legislative Services, Administration	No enforcement under CRTA that captioning is required for community programming. Rogers not required to provide. Costs fall on Town	2014
15-2010	Physical Lack of appropriate elevator at AFLC Some patrons refuse to use current lift because of its old technology and confined space (lift technology, very confined space, with moving walls, operated by a key/button system, is a lift not an elevator)	Retrofit required for replacement of lift with a regular elevator that does not require a "key" operator	Capital project \$125,000 approved by Council; item transferred to Infrastructure and Environmental Services (IES) as Facilities Capital Project item Timeline – Fall 2014 with completion of the Community Use For Youth space at the AFLC	AAC, Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Parks & Recreation Services	Risk Management issue Children currently being lifted up the stairs in strollers by moms/fitness instructors vs. using current lift Current lift system is key operated and poses a liability issue as it is not readily available for AFLC members floor to floor (i.e., if lift on main floor, staff must retrieve for members with disabilities leaving fitness centre, 1 st floor) Does not fit an adult electric wheelchair; is not accessible for "all"	2014

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Item #-Year Added	Type of Barrier to Accessibility	Proposed Solution	Associated Costs	Department Responsible	Status of Project Item	Target Year Completion
16-2010	Physical Lack of direct path of travel from fitness centre to pool at AFLC	Redesign corridors/change rooms in conjunction with renovation of AFLC	Parks & Recreation to fund item as part of Community Space for Youth AFLC renovation	AAC, Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Parks & Recreation Services	Patrons with disabilities using the pool either exit pool area, go outside and drive their vehicles around or take stairs to the other side of the building accessing the fitness centre, indoor track or cycle rooms	2014
18-2010	Communication & Physical Lack of appropriate signage and way-finding system directing patrons to the appropriate Departments and/or areas located within Town Hall	Hire consultant to investigate potential solutions for a visual way-finding system for Town Hall	\$20,000	Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Building & By-law Services	Visual way-finding system should be delayed until org. review and space analysis complete Possible interim solution would be to have GIS staff develop Town Hall map with legend to be available at all entrances and Dept. counters	2017
25-2010	Physical Counters at Town Hall do not include lower counter cuts for people using mobility devices	Install accessible Reception counters at all Town Hall Departments	42,000 \$7,000/each	AAC, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Building & By-law Services	As of January 1, 2016 all service counters, queuing lines, and waiting areas must be accessible as per IASR Design of Public Space Standards	2017

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Item #-Year Added	Type of Barrier to Accessibility	Proposed Solution	Associated Costs	Department Responsible	Status of Project Item	Target Year Completion
26-2010	Physical No clear accessible viewing area at AFLC rink for patrons to view skating events	Space to be redesigned, barrier free access Chairs to be removed if applicable	Parks & Recreation to fund item as part of Community Space for Youth AFLC renovation	AAC, Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Parks & Recreation Services	Increase barrier free access to viewing area at AFLC arena with Community Space for Youth AFLC renovation	2014
04-2011	Attitudinal & Communication Lack of accessibility knowledge among user groups	Establish accessible information on policies, permits, conditions & regulations	N/A	Building & By-law Services, Parks & Recreation Services	N/A	2014
05-2011	Physical Lack of accessibility in Council Chambers	Re-design and construct barrier-free Council Chambers	Cost estimated at \$250/square foot	Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Building & By-law Services	Building & By-law Services to retain architect to determine design and feasibility relating to the Ontario Building Code (OBC)	2016
05-2012	Attitudinal & Communication Accessibility Considerations on Reports to Council	Include subsection on all reports highlighting any accessible considerations that may identify, remove, and prevent barriers	N/A	Legal & Legislative Services	Establish an accessibility lens for all staff regarding town business that are decided by Council/Staff	2014

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Item #-Year Added	Type of Barrier to Accessibility	Proposed Solution	Associated Costs	Department Responsible	Status of Project Item	Target Year Completion
11-2012	Communication & Physical Council Chambers projector screen split use required for Electronic Notetaking	Create a function where the two Council Chambers projector screens can operate independently	\$3,000	Legal & Legislative Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Corporate & Financial Services, Building & By-law Services	Projector Screen can be used for electronic note taking, powerpoint, and various media. Split from screen used for Council Agendas	2014
13-2012	Physical Lack of accessible Park Paths and Accessible Playground equipment	Feasibility assessment required to determine location, traffic of trails. Any new parks/trails to meet the IAS Design of Public Spaces Standard for accessibility	\$50,000 Funds used in Capital for new /retrofit as per the Parks & Recreation Master Plan	Building & By-law Services, Parks & Recreation Services	TBD	2015
19-2012	Physical & Vision Lack of accessible lighting in Town parks that host/run events	Determine high traffic areas and conduct needs assessment of accessible lighting or lack thereof	\$50,000/park Lambert Willson & Machel Park in association with Parks Department	Building & By-law Services, Parks & Recreation Services	Safety issue for patrons entering/exiting park facilities & events due to lack of lighting	2016
02-2013	Physical Lack of Access to rear of AFLC Arena and Aquatic Changerooms	Replacement of rear entrances with sensor automatic doors	\$25,000	Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services,	Replacement scheduled for Summer 2014.	2014
03-2013	Physical Lack of adapted weight training equipment in Club Aurora Fitness Centre	Capital expenditure of adapted universal weight training station	\$15,000	Building & By-law Services, Parks & Recreation Services,	Capital item scheduled for Fall 2014 once AFLC project is complete	2014

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Item #-Year Added	Type of Barrier to Accessibility	Proposed Solution	Associated Costs	Department Responsible	Status of Project Item	Target Year Completion
04-2013	Communication & Physical Lack of Audible Pedestrian Signal (APS) for busy intersection at Aurora Heights and Yonge St	Installation of APS at recommended intersection in collaboration with York Region	\$50,000 retrofit cost due to condition of intersection and current poles	Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Region of York Transportation	Capital replacement costs \$50,000 per intersection per year prioritizing need of traffic intersection	2015
05-2013	Communication Lack of fixed Audio/Visual Systems in Committee Boardrooms	Installation of fixed Audio/Visual System in Leksand, Holland, and Tannery Rooms with capability for Hearing Assist, CART, etc.	\$100,000	Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services, Corporate & Financial Services	Accessibility Advisor to investigate further need for one or all boardrooms with accessible conferencing capabilities	2016
06-2013	Physical Lack of Access throughout ACC Arenas and Corridors	Installation of paddle/sensored automatic doors & openers to eliminate barriers to those with mobility disabilities	\$25,000	Building & By-law Services, Infrastructure & Environmental Services,	Replacement pending for Summer 2014.	2014
09-2013	Physical Lack of accessible Paved Park Paths in Lambert Willson Park/Arboretum for connectivity with Nokiidaa Trail	Any new remedial parks/trails to meet the IAS Design of Public Spaces Standard for accessibility	\$100,000 or \$40/meter	Building & By-law Services, Parks & Recreation Services,	TBD	2016

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Town of Aurora Implementation Plan 2015-2021 Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Integrated Accessibility Standards, Ontario Regulation 191/11		
<u>Topic and Implementation Date</u>	<u>Detail of What is Required</u>	<u>Action</u>
<u>GENERAL</u>		
ss 1 - 2 Purpose, application and definitions		
Establishment of Accessibility Policies January 1, 2013 COMPLIANT	3 (1) Develop policies in regards to how we plan on working towards an accessible municipality as per the AODA (2) Write a statement of organizational commitment to meet the needs of people with disabilities, in a timely manner (3) (a) Write one or more written documents describing it's policies (b) Make the written documents available to the public, and provide them in an accessible format when requested	Staff Report summarizes plan and amends current Accessible Customer Service Policy made by way of the following Council adoption on September 15, 2009: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional IASR Policy The Town of Aurora describes that as an organization "it is committed and guided by the four core principles of Dignity, Independence, Integration, and Equal Opportunity and supports the full inclusion of persons as set out in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005." All Council reports are publically available and posted on the Town of Aurora website.
Accessibility Plans January 1, 2013 COMPLIANT	4 (1) (a) Develop a multi-year accessibility plan which shows how the municipality will prevent and remove barriers as per the AODA (b) Post plan on the Town of Aurora's website, provide in an accessible format when requested	4 (1) Assigned to the Accessibility Advisor, a draft of the multi-year accessibility plan will be reviewed with the AAC. 4(2) Town of Aurora holds an annual public input Forum. 4(3) Town of Aurora AAC & Council reviews accessibility plans Status reports are publically available and posted on the Town of

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	<p>(c) Review/update plan at least once every five years (2) Review/update the accessibility plans in consultation with people with disabilities and the AAC (3) (a) Prepare a status report (annually) discussing the progress the municipality has taken in regards to clause (1) (b) Post the status report on the Town of Aurora's website, and provide in an accessible format when requested</p>	<p>Aurora website.</p>
<p>Procuring or Acquiring goods, services or facilities January 1, 2013 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>5 (1) Incorporate accessibility criteria and features when acquiring or purchasing goods, services or facilities (2) An explanation must be provided, upon request if it is not practicable to the above clause 5 (1)</p>	<p>An amendment to the Purchasing By-law. By-Law 5500-13, 25.1-25.2 has a section specifically referencing the AODA as follows:</p> <p>25. ACCESSIBILITY CONSIDERATIONS</p> <p>25.1 The Town is committed to giving people with disabilities the same opportunity to access Town Goods and Services and allowing them to benefit from the same Services, in the same place and in a similar way as other customers. Pursuant to the provisions of the AODA and s. 5(1) of O. Reg. 191/11, as amended, the Town shall incorporate accessibility design, criteria, and features when procuring or acquiring Goods, Services, or facilities, except where it is not practicable to do so. Programs, Goods, Services, facilities, etc. should be accessible to persons with disabilities (visible and invisible), including (without limitation): hearing loss, vision loss, physical or mobility related impairments, temporary disabilities, learning, speech, language, cognitive, psychological, psychiatric, intellectual and developmental disabilities, allergies, and multiple chemical sensitivities.</p> <p>25.2 If it is determined not to be practicable to incorporate accessibility design, criteria, and features when Purchasing Goods, Services, or facilities, the Department Head responsible for any such Procurement shall, upon request, provide an explanation.</p>

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<p>s 6 Self Service Kiosks</p>	<p>Training January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>7(1) Training must be provided on the requirements of the accessibility standards in regards to the AODA and the Human Rights Code as it pertains to people with disabilities to, <i>(a) All employees and volunteers</i> <i>(b) All people who participate in developing the organization's policies</i> <i>(c) All people who provide goods, services or facilities on behalf of the Town of Aurora</i> (2) The training will be appropriate to the duties of the employees, volunteers and other people (3) Every person will be trained as soon as practicable (4) Training will be provided if there are any changes to the policies, on an ongoing basis (5) The municipality must keep a record of the training provided, including the training dates and the number of people who participated</p>	<p>Communication sent out to all current employees using Town of Aurora traditional communications channels. All existing employees received AODA Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation and Human Rights Code "duty to accommodate" training. Information regarding the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act included in Town orientation which is provided to every Town of Aurora employee. Additional training on specific elements of the Integrated Standard that are applicable to specific employees provided to those employees, as for example all Supervisors will receive training on the Employment Standards and all applicable staff requiring procurement will receive training on the General Requirement. The Town of Aurora has a protocol in place for managing employee training records.</p>
<p>ss 8 - 10 Exemptions, definitions, exceptions and application</p> <p><u>Information and Communications Standards</u></p>			
<p>Feedback January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>11(1) All processes for receiving and responding to feedback must be accessible to people with disabilities, (2) Accessible formats and communication supports must be provided in an accessible format when requested (3) Notify the public about the availability of accessible formats and communication supports</p>	<p>Information about how to make information accessible included in staff training. Communications (Hard Copy or Electronically via website) with the public include information regarding available accessible formats.</p>	
<p>Accessible Formats and</p>	<p>12 (1) Provision of accessible formats and communication supports for persons with</p>	<p>Currently, the "Accessible Customer Service Policy" includes provisions that the Town of Aurora provides equal treatment to</p>	

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<p>Communication Supports January 1, 2015 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>disabilities must be provided or arranged upon request, <i>(a) in a timely manner</i> <i>(b) at a cost that is no more than the regular cost charged to other persons</i> (2) The municipality must consult with the person making the request in determining the suitability of an accessible format or communication support. (3) Notify the public about the availability of accessible formats and communication supports</p>	<p>people with disabilities with respect to the use and benefit of Town services, programs, goods, information and facilities and that no additional fees are charged because of or related to the disability. Notification provided on Home page of the Town's website</p>
<p>Emergency Procedure, Plans or Public Safety Information January 1, 2012 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>13(1) Emergency procedures, plan or public safety information are provided to the public, the information must be provided in an accessible format or with appropriate communication supports, as soon as practicable, upon request. (2) Emergency procedures, plans or public safety information must be available to the public</p>	<p>13(1) The Town of Aurora has an extensive Emergency Response Plan with community partners who are able to assist in the event of an emergency. Information is provided to the public by way of the Town of Aurora website and Town of Aurora publications. This plan is available in an accessible format and/or with appropriate communication supports upon request.</p>
<p>Accessible Websites and Web Content WCAG 2.0 Level A January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT WCAG 2.0 Level AA January 1, 2021 PENDING</p>	<p>14(1) Internet and intranet websites and web content conform with the World Wide Web Consortium Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0, at Level AA, and shall do so in accordance with the schedule set out in this section 14(2) Internet websites and web content must conform with the World Wide Web Consortium Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG)2.0, initially at Level A and increasing to Level AA. Exceptions Apply</p>	<p>New Town of Aurora website platform launched in early 2014 and is WCAG Level A as required by Accessibility Advisor to Communications Manager (Documented in: Web Platform Strategy – RFP Fall, 2012). Accessible Communications Guidelines drafted to train all applicable staff in appropriate content for documents and websites meeting accessibility needs.</p>
<p>ss 15 - 18 Specific to Education and Training Bodies</p>		
<p>Public Libraries January 1, 2013 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>19(1) Access to or arrange for accessible materials where they exist (2) Information about the availability of accessible materials publicly available and shall provide the</p>	<p>Aurora Public Library have accessible materials and services that include: - Kurzweil 1000 & 3000 (scanning, writing, reading software) - ZoomText (Magnifying software)</p>

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	information in accessible format or with appropriate communication supports, upon request (3) Library boards may provide accessible formats for archival materials, special collections, rare books and donations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JAWS (Screen reading software) - Duxbury Braille Translator - Large print and audio books - Electronic books
<p><u>Employment Standards</u></p>		
ss 20 – 21 Scope, interpretation and schedules		
Recruitment January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT	22 Notify employees and the public about the availability of accommodation for applicants with disabilities during recruitment process	An accessibility tagline added to all job advertisements effective January 2014, advising applicants of the availability of accommodations during the recruitment process.
Recruitment, Assessment or Selection Process January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT	23(1) During the recruitment process, notify job applicants that accommodations are available upon request in relation to the materials or processes to be used. (2) The employer will consult with the applicant and provide suitable accommodation in a manner that takes into account the applicant's accessibility needs due to their disability.	Town of Aurora Recruitment policies and process are compliant with all applicable legislation, including but not limited to the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, the Employment Standards Act, the Ontario Labour Relations Act, the Human Rights Code, the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Applicants who are selected to proceed to the interview stage will be advised of the availability of accommodations during the recruitment process. Applicants must meet the occupational requirements of the position available to proceed to the interview stage.
Notice to Successful Applicants January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT	24 When making offers of employment, notify the successful applicant of its policies for accommodating employees with disabilities	The standard offer letter has been amended to notify the successful applicant of Town of Aurora policies for accommodating employees with disabilities.
Informing Employees of Supports January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT	25(1) Inform employees of its policies used to supports employees with disabilities, including, but not limited to, policies on the provision of job accommodations that take into account an employee's accessibility needs due to disability. (2) Provide the information required to new	Town of Aurora has a Return to Work Policy and an established practice for the application of that policy. An update on the AODA Integrated Standard provided to all current employees using our traditional communications channels. All new employees receive the information as part of their offer and onboarding process.

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	<p>employees as soon as practicable after they begin employment (3) Provide updated information to its employees whenever there is a change to existing policies on the provision of job accommodations that take into account an employee's accessibility needs due to a disability</p>	<p>In 2013, AODA Training has included an education component on the Integrated Accessibility Standard for Employment.</p>
<p>Accessible Formats and Communication Supports for Employees January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>26(1) Where an employee with a disability so requests it, every employer shall consult with the employee to provide or arrange for the provision of accessible formats and communication supports for, <i>(a) information that is needed in order to perform the employee's job; and</i> <i>(b) information that is generally available to employees in the workplace</i> (2) Consult with the employee making the request in determining the suitability of an accessible format or communication support</p>	<p>Current practice is to respond to the unique requests for information from individual employees in a way that meets all of their needs, including those for accessible formats. The Town of Aurora has procedures, including "Modified Work Duties" in the Return to Work policy and its implementation is inherently individualized and customized to each employee's particular circumstances.</p>
<p>Workplace Emergency Response Information January 1, 2012 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>27(1) Provide individualized workplace emergency response information to employees who have a disability, if the disability is such that the individualized information is necessary and the employer is aware of the need for accommodation due to the employee's disability. (2) Provide the workplace emergency response information to the person designated by the employer to provide assistance (3) Provide the information required as soon as practicable after the employer becomes aware of the need for accommodation due to the employee's disability. (4) Review the individualized workplace emergency response information,</p>	<p>Communication sent out to all current employees using Town of Aurora traditional communications channels. Employees who have self-identified as requiring emergency response assistance or information are asked to complete a brief information/request support form and then meet with an HR representative, chosen "designee" to develop an appropriate individualized evacuation and emergency response plan. Any new employees moving forward will have this introduced upon their initial HR orientation.</p>

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<p>Documented Individual Accommodation Plans January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>(a) when the employee moves to a different location in the organization (b) when the employee's overall accommodations needs or plans are reviewed; and (c) when the employer reviews its general emergency response policies</p> <p>28(1) Develop a written process for the development of documented individual accommodation plans for employees with disabilities. (2) The process for the development of documented individual accommodation plans shall include eight prescribed elements. (3) Individual accommodation plans shall, (a) if requested, include any information regarding accessible formats and communications supports provided (b) include individualized workplace emergency response information (c) identify any other accommodation that is to be provided.</p>	<p>Town of Aurora procedures on "Modified Work Duties" and its established processes include detailed documentation for all individual accommodation plans. A Return to Work policy also includes written details and descriptions of the individual accommodation. Where applicable, CUPE is involved in the development of individual accommodation or return to work plans. All information gathered and used in this process is protected in accordance with MFIPPA and other applicable legislation.</p>
<p>Return to Work Process January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>29(1)(a) Develop and have in place a return to work process for its employees who have been absent from work due to a disability and require disability-related accommodations in order to return to work; (b) document the process (2) The return to work process will, (a) outline the steps the employer will take to facilitate the return to work of employees who were absent because their disability required them to be away from work; (b) use documented individual accommodation plans (3) The return to work process referenced in this</p>	<p>Town of Aurora procedures on "Modified Work Duties" and its established processes include detailed documentation for all individual accommodation plans. A Return to Work policy also includes written details and descriptions of the individual accommodation. Where applicable, CUPE is involved in the development of individual accommodation or return to work plans. All information gathered and used in this process is protected in accordance with MFIPPA and other applicable legislation.</p>

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	<p>section does not replace or override any other return to work process created by or under any other statute.</p>	
<p>Performance Management January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>30(1) An employer that uses performance management in respect of its employees shall take into account the accessibility needs of employees with disabilities, as well as the individual accommodation plans, when using its performance management process in respect of employees with disabilities</p>	<p>Employees whose performance may be impacted by a possible disability are referred to Human Resources who assists in assessment and development of an action plan if appropriate to do so. Information included in Supervisory Training and noted when this standard is discussed between the Human Resources Manager and Accessibility Advisor. Performance Review policy has been updated to reflect accommodations given to those with disabilities</p>
<p>Career Development and Advancement January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>31 An employer that provides career development and advancement to its employees shall take into account the accessibility needs of its employees with disabilities as well as any individual accommodation plans, when providing career development and advancement to its employees with disabilities</p>	<p>Unless a vacant position is identified through the modified work duties as being a suitable accommodation for an individual employee, all Town of Aurora positions are posted and filled through a job competition. Competition includes the provision of suitable accommodations to candidates with a disability.</p>
<p>Redeployment January 1, 2014 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>32 An employer that uses redeployment shall take into account the accessibility needs of its employees with disabilities, as well as individual accommodation plans, when redeploying employees with disabilities</p>	<p>The Town of Aurora has procedures for Modified Work Duties and a Return to Work Policy.</p>
<p>ss 33 – 73 Conventional and Specialized Transportation Service Providers ss 74 – 77 School Transportation and Ferries</p>		
<p>Transportation Standards Duties of Municipalities and Taxi Cabs</p>		
<p>Accessible Taxicabs January 1, 2013 COMPLIANT</p>	<p>79(1) Consult with its municipal accessibility advisory committee, the public and persons with disabilities to determine the proportion of on-demand accessible taxicabs required in the</p>	<p>79(1) Agenda Item for information & recommendation at AAC February 2012. Public Input received at Accessibility Forum June 2012. 79(2) Accessible Taxi Driver Training in effect for all licensed</p>

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	<p>community. (2) 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.</p>	<p>Brokers/Operators in the Town of Aurora. Training includes taxi drivers who transport persons with disabilities. Staff Report to AAC November 2012 detailed proportionate number of “on-demand” accessible cabs.</p>
<p>Accessible Taxicabs July 1, 2012 s. 80(1) COMPLIANT s. 80(2) COMPLIANT</p>	<p>80(1) Any municipality that licenses taxi cabs shall ensure that owners and operators of taxicabs are prohibited, <i>(a) from charging a higher fare or an additional fee for persons with disabilities than for persons without disabilities for the same trip;</i> <i>(b) from charging a fee for the storage of mobility aids or mobility assistive devices</i> (2) Ensure that owners and operators of taxicabs place vehicle registration and identification information on the rear bumper of the taxicab. (3) Ensure that owners and operators of taxicabs make available vehicle registration and identification information in an accessible format to persons with disabilities who are passengers</p>	<p>80(1) Town of Aurora Licensing By-Law 4258-01.P, schedule 13 is revised to reflect these changes. 80(2)(3) The Manager of By-Law Enforcement has been notified of these requirements and has implemented the requirements. Revisions to By-Law 4258-01.P, schedule 13 have been made.</p>
<p>ss 81 – 87 Schedules and Dates</p>		
<p><u>Design of Public Space Standards</u></p>		
<p>ss 80.1 – 80.5 Definition, Application and Schedules Recreational Trails & Beach Access Routes January 1, 2016 PENDING</p>	<p>80.6 – 80.15 This applies to new constructed and redeveloped recreational trails that an obligated organization intends to maintain. Obligated organizations must consult with the public and persons with disabilities. Municipalities must also consult with their municipal accessibility advisory committees.</p>	<p>The Town of Aurora will review and update current processes to make sure the accessibility requirements of the Design of Public Spaces Standards are applied where applicable, to new or redeveloped projects. The Town will update procurement procedures and guidelines, where needed, to reflect the requirements for public spaces. The Town will inform staff about the public spaces requirements. The Town will consult with the public, persons with disabilities and</p>

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<p>Outdoor Public Use Eating Areas January 1, 2016 PENDING</p>	<p>80.16 – 80.17 Obligated organizations, shall ensure that where they construct or redevelop outdoor public use eating areas that they intend to maintain, the outdoor public use eating areas meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A minimum of 20 per cent of the tables that are provided must be accessible to persons using mobility aids by having knee and toe clearance underneath the table and in no case shall there be fewer than one table in an outdoor public use eating area that meets this requirement. 2. The ground surface leading to and under tables that are accessible to persons using mobility aids must be level, firm and stable. 3. Tables that are accessible to persons using mobility aids must have clear ground space around them that allows for a forward approach to the tables 	<p>Accessibility Advisory Committee</p> <p>The Town of Aurora will review and update current processes to make sure the accessibility requirements of the Design of Public Spaces Standards are applied where applicable, to new or redeveloped projects. The Town will update procurement procedures and guidelines, where needed, to reflect the requirements for public spaces. The Town will inform staff about the public spaces requirements.</p>
<p>Outdoor Play Spaces January 1, 2016 PENDING</p>	<p>80.18 – 80.20 When constructing new or redeveloping existing outdoor play spaces, obligated organizations, shall consult on the needs of children and caregivers with various disabilities and shall do so in the following manner:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Large organizations must consult with the public and persons with disabilities. 2. Municipalities must also consult with their municipal accessibility advisory committees <p>When constructing new or redeveloping existing play spaces that they intend to maintain, obligated organizations, other than small organizations, shall, (a) incorporate accessibility features, such as sensory and active play components, for children</p>	<p>The Town of Aurora will review and update current processes to make sure the accessibility requirements of the Design of Public Spaces Standards are applied where applicable, to new or redeveloped projects. The Town will update procurement procedures and guidelines, where needed, to reflect the requirements for public spaces. The Town will inform staff about the public spaces requirements.</p> <p>The Town will consult with the public, persons with disabilities and Accessibility Advisory Committee</p>

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	and caregivers with various disabilities into the design of outdoor play spaces; and (b) ensure that outdoor play spaces have a ground surface that is firm, stable and has impact attenuating properties for injury prevention and sufficient clearance to provide children and caregivers with various disabilities the ability to move through, in and around the outdoor play space	
Exterior Paths of Travel January 1, 2016 PENDING	80.21 – 80.31 This applies to newly constructed and redeveloped exterior paths of travel that are outdoor sidewalks or walkways designed and constructed for pedestrian travel and are intended to serve a functional purpose and not to provide a recreational experience	The Town of Aurora will review and update current processes (i.e. Site Plan Manual) to make sure the accessibility requirements of the Design of Public Spaces Standards are applied where applicable, to new or redeveloped projects. The Town will update procurement procedures and guidelines, where needed, to reflect the requirements for public spaces. The Town will inform staff about the public spaces requirements.
Accessible Parking January 1, 2016 PENDING	80.32 – 80.39 Obligated organizations shall ensure that when constructing new or redeveloping off-street parking facilities that they intend to maintain, the off-street parking facilities meet the requirements set out in this Part	The Town of Aurora will review and update current processes (i.e. Site Plan Manual) to make sure the accessibility requirements of the Design of Public Spaces Standards are applied where applicable, to new or redeveloped projects. The Town will update Zoning By-law #2213-78 and designated disabled parking By-law 4574-04.T where needed, to reflect the requirements for public spaces. The Town will inform staff about the public spaces requirements.
Obtaining Services January 1, 2016 PENDING	80.40 – 80.43 Obligated organizations shall meet the requirements set out in this Part in respect of the following: 1. All newly constructed service counters and fixed queuing guides. 2. All newly constructed or redeveloped waiting areas.	The Town of Aurora will review and update current processes to make sure the accessibility requirements of the Design of Public Spaces Standards are applied where applicable, to new or redeveloped projects. The Town will update procurement procedures and guidelines, where needed, to reflect the requirements for public spaces. The Town will inform staff about the public spaces requirements.
Maintenance January 1, 2016 PENDING	80.44 obligated organizations, shall ensure that their multi-year accessibility plans include the following: 1. Procedures for preventative and emergency	The Town of Aurora will review and update procedures for the preventative and emergency maintenance of the accessible elements required in the Design of Public Spaces Standards. The Town will also review and update procedures for dealing with

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	maintenance of the accessible elements in public spaces as required under this Part. 2. Procedures for dealing with temporary disruptions when accessible elements required under this Part are not in working order	temporary disruptions when these accessible elements are not functional.
ss 81 – 86 Application		



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