

Background

The Advisory Committee on Accessibility (“the Committee”) provides strategic advice and makes recommendations to City Council and City Administration in addressing issues, needs, and services for people with physical, sensory, and cognitive disabilities; including, but not limited to: built environment, accessible transportation and transportation infrastructure, technology, information and communication, goods and services, affordable/accessibly housing, social and economic accessibility issues in order to provide high level accessible City services for people with disabilities.

The Committee is guided by the Corporate Accessibility Policy (CSPS003) and aligned with the Social Wellbeing Policy Principles. The Committee nominates a member to the Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee to represent the needs of people with disabilities. The newly formed Cross-Corporate Public Accessibility Advisory Team collaborates with the Committee to help embed accessibility practices and the Access Design Standards for The City of Calgary.

Context

The Advisory Committee on Accessibility is composed of 14 Members:

- › 6 public members with disabilities representing a range of people with physical, sensory and cognitive disabilities
- › 2 public members representing the seniors’ community
- › 3 Citizens-at-Large who may or may not have a disability, but who are interested in access issues
- › 3 administration members of City Administration from: Planning and Development; Calgary Transit Access; and Calgary Recreation

Previous Council Direction

2021 November 15, N2021-1207

- › Gregory McMeekin was appointed to the Advisory Committee on Accessibility as a public member with disabilities representing a range of people with physical, sensory and cognitive disabilities for a one-year term expiring at the 2022 Organizational Meeting.

2019 October 28, N2019-1165

- › Gregory McMeekin was appointed to the Advisory Committee on Accessibility as a public member with disabilities representing a range of people with physical, sensory and cognitive disabilities for a two-year term expiring at the 2021 Organizational Meeting

2018 October 22, N2018-1036

- › Gregory McMeekin was appointed to the Advisory Committee on Accessibility as a public member representing a range of people with physical, sensory and cognitive disabilities for a one-year term expiring at the 2019 Organizational Meeting.