

## **STRATHCONA ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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Minutes of the meeting of the Strathcona Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee held on Monday, October 7, 2024, at the Strathcona Regional District office, located at 990 Cedar Street, Campbell River, BC.

A quorum having been confirmed, the Chair called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. with the following members physically in attendance or participating electronically:

**Vice Chair:** A. Long

**Members:** S. Houle  
B. Lenahan  
L. Mcdougall-Lee  
C. Rodgers  
K. Schmid  
K. Woods

**Guests:** A. Gaylor Director of Community Planning and Livability, City of Campbell River  
C. Stubbs Economic Development Officer, Village of Gold River  
J. Thomas Acting Chief Administrative Officer, Village of Saywad

### **FIRST NATIONS TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chair acknowledged that we are located on the traditional territory of the Laichwiltach people.

### **ADOPTION OF PUBLIC AGENDA**

Rodgers/Woods: SAIAC 17/24

THAT the agenda for the October 7, 2024 meeting of the Strathcona Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee be adopted as presented

CARRIED

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Woods/Mcdougall-Lee: SAIAC 18/24

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Strathcona Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee held on April 4, 2024 be adopted as presented. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

#### **Barrier Identification**

Member Lenahan led a discussion regarding the communication of barriers with municipalities and stakeholders.

Member Sinnott joined the meeting.

#### **Etiquette and Education on Blindness**

Member Houle led a discussion regarding etiquette and education on blindness and advised the Committee of additional barriers that he identified.

### **REPORTS**

#### **Application to SPARC BC for Accessibility Training**

Woods/Rodgers: SAIAC 19/24

THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

Schmid/Lenahan: SAIAC 20/24

THAT the Strathcona Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee recommend that an application be submitted for a \$25,000 grant to the SPARC BC Local Community Accessibility Grant to develop an accessibility education and awareness program.

CARRIED

## **2025 Meeting Schedule**

Rodgers/Houle: SAIAC 21/24

THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

Schmid/Mcdougall-Lee: SAIAC 22/24

THAT a further report be prepared for the January 2025 meeting regarding a 2025 meeting schedule for the Strathcona Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **Local Community Accessibility Grant - Village of Gold River**

Houle/Rodgers: SAIAC 23/24

THAT the September 18, 2024 correspondence from the Village of Gold River regarding a letter of support for its Local Community Accessibility Grant application be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

Sinnott/Houle: SAIAC 24/24

THAT a resolution of support be provided for the Village of Gold River's application to the 2024 SPARC BC – Local Community Accessibility grant program to install a power operated accessibility-friendly door at the Anne Fiddick Aquatic Centre.

CARRIED

### **BC Accessibility Act Webinar**

Schmid/Houle: SAIAC 25/24

THAT the October 1, 2024 correspondence from the Disability Alliance BC regarding a webinar opportunity on Part 3 of the Accessible BC Act be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

## **TERMINATION**

Woods/Mcdougall-Lee: SAIAC 26/24

THAT the October 7, 2024 meeting of the Strathcona Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee be terminated.

CARRIED

Time: 1:53 p.m.

Certified Correct:

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Chair

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Corporate Officer