

City of North Bay Report to Council

Report No: CSBU-2025-021

Date: June 5, 2025

Originator: Adam Curran, Secretary-Treasurer – MAAC

Business Unit:

Community Services

Department:

Planning & Building Department

Subject: 2024 Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee (MAAC) Annual Report

Closed Session: yes ☐ no ☒

Recommendation

That Appendix 'A' to report to Council CSBU 2025-021 by Adam Curran dated June 5, 2025 being the Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee 2024 Annual Report, be received for information purposes.

Background

The Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee (MAAC) has been established under the 'Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)' to advise Council on compliance with the requirements of the AODA.

Advisory Committee's advise Council about the requirements of the AODA standards, which can include advice when building, renovating or adding infrastructure, such as:

- On-street accessible parking spaces;
- Sidewalks and other exterior paths of travel;
- Play spaces;
- Recreational trails; and
- Bus stops and shelters.

The City must consult with MAAC when Council is doing any of the following to a building:

- Builds;
- Buys;

- Leases;
- Renovates; and
- Agrees to use it as a City building or property, if someone provides it.

The Committee acts as an advisory role to ensure the City is moving towards being fully accessible and providing education and advice on accessibility within the community.

Upon approval of the capital budget, City staff prepare a list of upcoming capital projects that align with MAAC's mandate. MAAC reviews the capital project list and advises staff of projects they would like further details on. In 2024, the main topics of interest to MAAC were the new Community Centre, Para Bus and Adult Change Tables. The full report from MAAC is Appendix 'A' to this report.

Financial/Legal Implications

N/A

Corporate Strategic Plan

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| ☐ Natural North and Near | ☐ Economic Prosperity |
| ☐ Affordable Balanced Growth | ☒ Spirited Safe Community |
| ☐ Responsible and Responsive Government | |

Specific Objectives

- Work with community stakeholders to enhance safety and integration throughout the City; and
- Encourage openness and diversity in the community for all residents.

Options Analysis

Option 1: That Appendix 'A' to report to Council CSBU 2025-021 by Adam Curran dated June 5, 2025 being the Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee 2024 Annual Report, be received for information purposes.

Option 2: That Council does not receive the 2024 Municipal Accessibility Advisory 2024 Annual Report for information purposes.

Recommended Option

Option 1:

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Respectfully submitted,

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I concur with this report and recommendation

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