



**Oshawa Accessibility Advisory Committee
Minutes**

**September 20, 2022, 6:30 p.m.
Committee Room**

Present: Steven Moenster, Chair
Julia McCrea
Dorothy McFarlane
Lisa Knowlton
Gino Vendetti, Vice Chair
Councillor McConkey
Shanjay Kailayanathan

Absent: Tanya Jewell
Olga Leyenson
Yvonne Parks

Also Present: J. Lane, Council-Committee Coordinator
R. Rossetti, Council-Committee Coordinator
L. Lawson, Accessibility Coordinator
C. Steuart, Principal Planner

Additional Agenda Items

None

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None

Presentations

2022 Accessible Capital Projects Update and Proposal for 2023

Kevin Alexander, Director, Facilities Management Services and Mitchell Wiskel, Manager, Parks Planning and Development provided a presentation concerning Proposed 2023 Accessible Capital Projects.

The Committee questioned the Director, Facilities Management Services and Manager, Parks Planning and Development.

Delegations

None

Referrals from Council and Committees

None

Correspondence

None

Reports

OAAC-22-43 - Application for Site Plan Approval Submitted by Build Up Real Development Co. Oshawa Inc. for 20 & 24 Beatrice Street West to permit 18 Stacked Townhouse Units and 6 Semi-detached Dwelling Units

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That based on Report OAAC-22-43 being an application for Site Plan Approval for the property located at 20 and 24 Beatrice Street West to permit 18 stacked townhouse units and 6 semi-detached dwelling units, the Oshawa Accessibility Advisory Committee requests:

1. That the path of travel in the amenity/playground area be concrete not unit pavers and details be provided on the site plan and designed as per the Oshawa Accessibility Design Standards (OADS); and,
2. That the cross walk provided on an angle to cross from the sidewalk to the other side of the street near the amenities be redesigned and that consideration be given to providing a sidewalk along the east side of the project rather than the west for one continuous path of travel to the units and amenity areas; and,
3. That the minimum path of travel be 1800mm and details be provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,
4. That entrances to amenity/playground areas have clear openings; and,
5. That consideration be given to providing some accessible units in the development as there are currently stair entrances to all residential units; and,
6. That accessible rest stations/benches in the amenity areas be provided and details be provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,
7. That details be provided concerning curb ramps and depressed curbs and details be provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,
8. That Tactile Walking Surface Indicators (TWSI) are provided on the external path of travel where curb ramps and depressed curbs are provided and designed as per OADS; and,
9. That public stairs by the playground area include TWSIs and details be provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,

10. That consideration be given to the relocation of the accessible parking spaces to be midway in the block for proximity to other amenities; and,
11. That the design of accessible parking spaces be in compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) and as per OADS in terms of their type, size, access aisles, markings, curb ramps/depressed curbs, crossing and running slopes, signage and symbols; and,
12. That lighting levels should be provided at or beside all ramps, steps and stairs and evenly distributed along the path of travel; and,
13. That consideration should be given to providing supplementary lighting to highlight wayfinding and ensure that lighting fixtures or posts do not encroach in the accessible path of travel; and,
14. That accessible playground equipment and ground cover in the proposed playground area be provided and provide details and measurements on the site plan, and design as per OADS; and
15. That there are accessible rest stops/seating and tables in the communal amenity area, provide details on the site plan and designed as per OADS.

Motion Carried

OAAC-22-44 - Application for an Official Plan Amendment and Rezoning submitted by Albany Street Investments Limited for 63 Albany Street to permit Multi-unit Residential Development and Underground Parking

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That based on Report OAAC-22-44 being an application for an Official Plan Amendment and Rezoning submitted by Albany Street Investments Limited for 63 Albany Street to permit a multi-unit residential development with a tower ranging from 10 to 15-storeys with a total of 286 apartment units, 18 3-storey block townhouse units and underground parking, the Oshawa Accessibility Advisory Committee requests:

1. That the substance of the paths of travel be indicated on the site plan with concrete being the preference and designed as per Oshawa Accessibility Design Standards (OADS); and,
2. That the path of travel be a minimum of 1.8 m.; and,
3. That consideration be given to providing accessible townhouse units as part of the development as there are currently only stair entrances; and,
4. That an accessible concrete path of travel join the town houses to the tower and the details be provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,
5. That an accessible bench be located outside the main entrance with details provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,
6. That curb ramps/depressed curbs details be provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS and confirm that there is a depressed curb at the main entrance to the apartment/condo; and,

7. That Tactile Walking Surface Indicators (TWSI) are provided on the external path of travel where curb ramps and depressed curbs are provided and on public external stairs with details provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,
8. That the design of accessible parking spaces be in compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) and as per OADS in terms of their type, size, access aisles, markings, curb ramps/depressed curbs, crossing and running slopes, signage and symbols; and,
9. That an additional 7 accessible parking spaces (4 Type A, 3 Type B) be provided. With details provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,
10. If underground, place near the elevator and ensure that the elevator lobby entrances have power door operators; and,
11. Remove the drop off wording on the site plan as there is insufficient space for creating an accessible passenger loading zone; and,
12. That lighting levels should be provided at or beside all ramps, steps and stairs and evenly distributed along the path of travel. Consideration should be given to providing supplementary lighting to highlight wayfinding. Please ensure that lighting fixtures or posts do not encroach in the accessible path of travel; and,
13. That confirmation be provided on the site plan that there accessible entrances are to the apartment/condo and designed as per OADS; and,
14. That automated sliding doors are provided on the main entrance to the apartment/condo and power door operators are added to accessible entrances and design as per OADS; and,
15. That consideration be given to providing short term bike racks at ground level near the main entrance to the apartment/condo; and,
16. That the slope and height of the ramp into the parking garage be built to accommodate the height of an accessible van; and,
17. That details be provided on the site plan of the outdoor amenity areas, including accessible tables and seating and designed as per OADS; and.
18. That there are universally designed accessible electric vehicle (EV) charging options available with detail provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS.

Amendment:

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That a Part 19 be added to include the following:

19. That all bathroom doors be of an accessible width.

Motion Carried

The vote on the main motion, as amended.

Motion Carried

OAAC-22-45 - Application for Site Plan Approval Submitted by D.G. Biddle & Associates on behalf of 2679875 Ontario Limited for 280 Taunton Road West to permit two Triplexes (6 Units)

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That based on Report OAAC-22-45 being an application for Site Plan Approval submitted by D.G. Biddle & Associates on behalf of 2679875 Ontario Limited for the property located at 280 Taunton Road West to permit 6 Triplexes (6 units), the Oshawa Accessibility Advisory Committee requests:

1. That a concrete sidewalk that is a minimum of 1.8 m be provided from the Taunton Road city sidewalk to each triplex building with details provided on the site plan and designed as per Oshawa Accessibility Design Standards (OADS); and,
2. That accessible ramps, designed as per OADS, be added for access to each of the triplex's ground level units and details be provided on the site plan; and,
3. That curb ramps/depressed curbs details be provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,
4. That Tactile Walking Surface Indicators (TWSI) are provided on the external path of travel where curb ramps, depressed curbs, public stairs are provided and designed as per OADS; and,
5. That paths of travel are free from overhanging and protruding objects; and,
6. That 2 accessible van parking spaces be provided near the entrance of the ground units with details provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,
7. That an accessible path of travel be provided from the accessible parking space to each triplex building ground floor entrance; and,
8. That the design of accessible parking spaces be in compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) and as per OADS in terms of their type, size, access aisles, markings, curb ramps/depressed curbs, crossing and running slopes, signage and symbols; and,
9. That lighting levels should be provided at or beside all ramps, steps and stairs and evenly distributed along the path of travel. Consideration should be given to providing supplementary lighting to highlight wayfinding. Please ensure that lighting fixtures or posts do not encroach in the accessible path of travel; and
10. That power door operators are added on ground floor units for each triplex.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That the Agenda be altered to bring Report OAAC-22-47 concerning the 2023 O.A.A.C. Proposed Operating Budget/Work Plan and the 2022 Report of Accomplishments Update forward. **(Carried on a 2/3 majority vote)**

Motion Carried

OAAC-22-47 - 2023 O.A.A.C. Proposed Operating Budget/Work Plan and 2022 Report of Accomplishments Update

Moved by Julia McCrea

That Report OAAC-22-47, being the 2023 O.A.A.C Proposed Operating Budget /Work Plan and 2022 Report of Accomplishments Update, be endorsed and submitted to Finance Services for inclusion in the 2023 Budget Submission to City Council.

Motion Carried

OAAC-22-49 - 2023 Proposed Accessible Capital Projects

Moved by Julia McCrea

That the proposed 2023 Accessible Capital Projects (\$150,000 subject to Council's funding approval) include the following:

- Accessible upgrades - Tribute Communities Centre (\$30,000); and,
- Motion activated doors (main entrance) – Donevan Recreation Complex (\$60,000); and,
- Accessible elevator upgrades – Centre Street Parking Garage (\$10,000); and,
- Contribution to accessible washroom - Laval Community Centre (\$50,000).

Motion Carried

OAAC-22-48 - Events Working Group Status Report - September 2022

Dot McFarlane, Chair of the Events Working Group, provided a verbal update on the Working Groups' activities for September 2022.

Moved by Julia McCrea

That verbal Report OAAC-22-48 concerning the Events Working Group activities for September 2022 be received for information.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That Report OAAC-22-46 concerning an application for Rezoning, Draft Plan of Condominium and Site Plan Approval for the property located at the Southeast Corner of Ritson Road North and Luple Avenue to permit four single detached dwelling units and an apartment building be deferred to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

OAAC-22-46 - Application for Rezoning, Draft Plan of Condominium and Site Plan Approval Submitted by Woodland Homes for the Southeast Corner of Ritson Road North and Luple Avenue to permit Four Single Detached Dwelling Units and Apartment Buildings

That based on Report OAAC-22-46 being an application for Rezoning, Draft Plan of Condominium and Site Plan Approval for the property located at the Southeast Corner of Ritson Road North and Luple Avenue to permit four single detached dwelling units and an apartment building, the Oshawa Accessibility Advisory Committee requests:

1. That the materials for the paths of travel be indicated on the site plan, concrete preferred and designed as per the Oshawa Accessibility Design Standards (OADS); and
2. That indicators and measurements for the entrances on the site plan be provided and that paths of travel be 1800mm and designed as per OADS; and,
3. That curb ramps or depressed curbs details be provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS; and,
4. That details be provided on the site plan regarding an accessible connection from the development site to City sidewalks along Luple and Ritson Road North and designed as per OADS; and,
5. That there be an additional accessible path of travel (sidewalk) from the electric charging stations to the entrance and designed as per OADS; and,
6. That Tactile Walking Surface Indicators (TWSI) are provided on the external path of travel where curb ramps and depressed curbs are provided and designed as per OADS; and,
7. That the proposed flush curb near the refuse area be limited to the width of the refuse area; and,
8. That the design of accessible parking spaces be in compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) and as per OADS in terms of their type, size, access aisles, markings, curb ramps/depressed curbs, crossing and running slopes, signage and symbols; and,
9. That lighting levels should be provided at or beside all ramps, steps and stairs and evenly distributed along the path of travel. Consideration should be given to providing supplementary lighting to highlight wayfinding. Please ensure that lighting fixtures or posts do not encroach in the accessible path of travel; and,
10. That sliding doors be provided at the main entrance and power door operators are added on the principal fire fighter entrance, the south entrance and to the mailroom that are designed as per OADS; and,
11. That the universal electric charging stations be accessible for all users including access to the path of travel recommended from the charging station to the entrance; and,
12. That an amenity area with accessible tables and benches be provided and details be provided on the site plan and designed as per OADS.

Items Introduced by Members

OAAC-22-50 - Accessible Apartment Buildings under the Building Code Act

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That the Oshawa Accessibility Advisory Committee recommend to the Development Services Committee:

Whereas a high number of apartment block dwellings that are stacked back-to-back units are being built in Oshawa; and,

Whereas there is no indication that they are under that section of the Building Code that mandates that 15% of new apartment buildings be accessible;

Therefore the Oshawa Accessibility Advisory Committee recommends that the Minister of Municipal Affairs be requested to include stacked back-to-back apartment units under the 15% accessible units required for new apartment construction.

Motion Carried

Adjournment

Moved by Julia McCrea

That the meeting adjourn at 8:29 p.m.

Motion Carried