

# Grand River Accessibility Advisory Committee (GRAAC) Agenda

# Thursday, February 27, 2025, 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Electronic Meeting

The Grand River Accessibility Advisory Committee shall assist the participating municipalities in fulfilling the purpose of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act by providing vision and advice regarding the removal of barriers.

People interested in participating in this meeting can email Administrative Coordinator, Janis McKenzie at Janis.McKenzie@kitchener.ca. Please refer to the delegation section on the agenda below for the registration deadline. Written comments received will be circulated to the Committee prior to the meeting and will form part of the public record.

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Co-Chairs - Tamara Cooper, Alyssa Clelland

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# 1. Commencement

# 1.1 Land Acknowledgement

We would like to begin by acknowledging the land on which we gather today, recognizing that the land in which we gather today is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee, Anishnawbe and Chonnonton peoples. We would also like to acknowledge the enduring knowledge, presence and deep-rooted traditions of the First Nations, Metis and Inuit who continue to enrich our community to this day.

# 2. Minutes for Approval

# 3. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interests

Members of Council and members of the City's local boards/committees are required to file a written statement when they have a conflict of interest. If a conflict is declared, please visit <u>www.kitchener.ca/conflict</u> to submit your written form.

#### 4. Delegations

Pursuant to Council's Procedural By-law, delegations are permitted to address the Committee for a maximum of five (5) minutes. All Delegations must register by 10:00 a.m. on February 27th, 2025 in order to participate in the meeting.

#### 5. Discussion

5.1 Roll Call - Introductions

| 5.2 | Approval of Committee Minutes  |      |
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| 5.3 | <b>Committee Elections</b><br>Ashley Good, Clerk, North Dumfries will lead the election process. | 15 m |
|     | Co-Chair (two positions)   |      |
|     | Built Environment Chair  |      |

# 5.4City of Kitchener - 2022 Post Election20 m3Accessibility Plan and Considerations for 2026Amanda Fusco, Director of Legislated Services/City Clerk, City of<br/>Kitchener will provide a 15 minute discussion on this matter.20 m3

5.5 Region of Waterloo - Reviewing the Region's 20 m 12 Taxi By-Law Nora Emtesali, Policy and Program Advisor and Thomas Hudacin, Manager, Licensing and Enforcement Services will provide a 15 minute discussion on this matter.

#### 6. Recess and Reconvene

#### 7. Discussion Items (Cont'd)

| 7.1 | Annual Accessibility Update - Wilmot Township<br>Kaitlin Bos, Clerk, will provide a 5 minute discussion on this mat   | 5 m<br>ter.       | 18 |
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| 7.2 | Play Structure Replacement at Victoria Park -<br>North Dumfries<br>Karen Winter, Director, Leisure and Community Services will pro<br>minute presentation on this matter. | 10 m<br>ovide a 5 | 22 |
| 7.3 | <b>20 Anniversary Update and Feedback</b><br>Tamara Cooper, Co-Chair and Amy Ross, Accessibility Advocat<br>provide an update on this matter.                             | 10 m<br>ite will  |    |

#### 8. Information Items

9. Adjournment