

# Accessibility Advisory Committee

Edmonton

Meeting Minutes  
November 17, 2025  
5:00 - 7:30 pm

**Youtube Link:** <https://www.youtube.com/@accessibilityadvisorycommi9809/streams>

**Meeting Link:** [meet.google.com/bhe-mbde-ayb](https://meet.google.com/bhe-mbde-ayb)

## Invited Attendees

**Attendees:** David Achuroa, Dana Antaya-Moore, Marie Dancsok, Dreena Davis, Karima Ewig, Tonia LaRiviere, Sam Mason, Daniel Purcell, Douglas Rudolph, Katie Thomas, Kimberly Wood

**Regrets:** Carleen Brenneis, Tyson Joyce, Stephannie Leach, Zachary Weeks

**Council Advisor(s):** Councillor Tang

**Guests:** Daniel Morin, Ashley Hynes, Giovanni Bruno, Graeme Matichuk

**City Admin:** Carissa Lamoureux

## 1.0 Introductions and Welcome

2.0 Review	
2.1 Agenda Review/Approval	Call to order at 5:10 pm  <b>MOTION:</b> D. Achuroa motions to approve the November 17, 2025 Agenda Carried (U)
2.2 Review/Approval of Previous Minutes	<b>MOTION:</b> K. Thomas motions to approve the October 15, 2025 meeting minutes Carried (U)
2.3 Indigenous Land Acknowledgement	K. Wood gave the land acknowledgement

3.0 Presentations	
3.1 Climate Strategy  Topic 1: Updating our Climate Actions - Learn more about the project's scope, approach, engagement, and next steps  Topic 2: Climate change in Edmonton - Learn more about what climate change is and what that means for Edmonton  Topic 3: Policy Context & Progress to Date - Learn more about Edmonton's commitment to climate action and progress on the City's existing climate actions	- More information on the Climate Strategy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <a href="#">Report on the Environment</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Understanding Edmonton's Changing Climate 2025</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Preparing for Climate Change</a></li></ul> - The full What We Heard Report will be released in December, 2025 - The target is go in front of Council is Q2 in 2026 - Requests for the public for

	<p>strategies on how to prepare for climate change workshops (i.e emergency alerts available in ASL, how to engage with Deaf and/or Hard of Hearing populations, how to engage with the homelessness population)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Possible follow up in January, 2026</li> </ul>
3.2 Draft Wildland-Urban Interface Wildfire Risk Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For more information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Wildland-Urban Interface Wildfire Risk Strategy</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">What We Heard Summary</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>- The target is go in front of Council is March 23, 2026</li> <li>- The second round of public engagement will run from November 27 - December 22, 2025</li> <li>- A possible recommendation will be shared from Council to create a Fire Smart Committee</li> </ul>

4.0 Standing Items	
4.1 Council Advisor Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Councillor Tang returned as Council Liaison for the AAC</li> <li>- Council is still in orientation</li> <li>- Council will discuss budget next week</li> </ul>
4.2 Chair Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AAC recruitment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AAC is currently reviewing the Membership report</li> <li>- There will be four positions available for recruitment, which will start in January, 2026</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Administration to send out a self reflection form to complete before November 24, 2025</p>
4.4 Policy Subcommittee Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Started a welcome letter to introduce the AAC to the new Council. Will send out in Q1 of 2026</li> <li>- M. Dancsok will review the new incumbents platforms</li> <li>- Meeting with YEG Bike Coalition to discuss potential partnerships (i.e. escooters and ebikes)</li> </ul>
4.5 Community Engagement Subcommittee Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Upcoming International Day of Persons with Disabilities event on December 3, the AAC will participate at Norquest to have a table</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Still finalizing vendor set up for social media</li> <li>- Currently reviewing old content and creating evergreen content</li> <li>- Draft posts will be sent out by the end of the week for review</li> <li>- draft content by the end of this week for review</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Administration to create a land acknowledgement schedule for the 2026</p>
4.6 Administration Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- City Administration Information update</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For more information on City Council meetings, please review this <a href="#">webpage</a></li> <li>- Mayor Knack made a motion to invest in emergency day shelters</li> <li>- The AAC shared feedback from the elections and they will review the information for the next term</li> </ul>
4.7 ETSAB Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reviewing the Leisure Access program and ARC card, and will share more information when available. A survey will be shared soon for distribution</li> <li>- Doing walk-throughs of transit centres to keep in mind the location of parking lots. ETS tries to incorporate accessibility from the planning stages (keep following up - holding breathe) keep accountable - trust the process will improve going forward</li> <li>- The Transit Town Hall is rescheduled January 10, 2026</li> </ul> <p>Adjournment at 7:29 pm</p>

## 6.0 Upcoming Items

1. Upcoming reports for 2026

## Next Meetings

Date: December 8, 2025	Time 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm	Edmonton Tower
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