

# Accessibility Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes  
April 13, 2026  
5:00 - 7:30 pm

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

**Meeting Link:** <meet.google.com/kuv-ercg-bhn>

**AAC meeting materials link:** [AAC members](#)

## Invited Attendees

**Attendees:** David Achuroa, Carleen Brenneis, Marie Dancsok, Dreena Davis, Karima Ewig, Tyson Joyce, Tonia LaRiviere, Stephannie Leach, Sam Mason, Daniel Purcell, Douglas Rudolph, Katie Thomas, Zachary Weeks, Kimberly Wood, Joshua Jackman (ETSAB)  
**Council Advisor(s):** Councillor Keren Tang  
**Regrets:** Dana Antaya-Moore  
**City Admin:** Carissa Lamoureux, Heather Craig  
**Guests:** Monica Marchand, Julie Haywood, Sean Buchanan, Roger Lockwood, Murray Johnson, Yogi Subramonian, Nancy Jacobsen

## 1.0 Introductions and Welcome

### 2.0 Review

#### 2.1 Agenda Review/Approval

Call to order at 5:02 pm

**MOTION:** S. Mason motions to approve the April 13, 2026 Agenda

Carried (U)

#### 2.2 [Review/Approval of Previous Minutes](#)

**MOTION:** S. Mason motions to approve the March 9, 2026 meeting minutes

Carried (U)

#### 2.3 Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

S. Mason gave the land acknowledgement.

### 3.0 Presentation

#### 3.1 Governance Framework Update

**MOTION:** Please note that for the duration of the presentation and discussion, we request that the Committee convene in private session under Section 29 (advice from officials) of the Access to Information Act, as discussion will involve providing advice related to governance and Council decision making.

	<p>Carried (U)</p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> To return the February 9, 2026 meeting to live stream</p> <p>Carried (U)</p>
3.2 <a href="#">Accessibility Maturity Model</a>	<p>- Presented an overview of the Accessibility Maturity Model, which will support the implementation of the current Policy C602A.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Administration to send out a Google Doc form for feedback.</p>
3.3 Inclusive Playground talk	<p>- Requesting that the AAC ask Council for Administration to create an accessible playground strategy.</p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> M. Dancsok moves that the AAC recommends to Council to develop an inclusive playground strategy based on other jurisdictions and successful best practices, presented as a letter to Council.</p> <p>Carried (U)</p> <p>- M. Dancsok, Z. Weeks, D. Rudolph, K. Wood and D. Davis to draft a letter by April 20, 2026 to be reviewed by the AAC by the end of the month.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Administration will look into a group tour of Hawrelak Park before the May 30 opening.</p>
<b>4.0 Standing Items</b>	
4.1 Council Advisor Updates	<p>- The Mayor and Councillors are hosting town halls in each ward.</p> <p>- Attend a drop-in engagement session in your ward in April. Visit <a href="https://engaged.edmonton.ca/budget">engaged.edmonton.ca/budget</a> for event details.</p> <p>- Councillor Tang advises AAC to write a general letter to Council to remind them not to forget about accessibility during the budget</p>

	discussions. Suggest developing the recommendations during the summer and sending them to Council in October/November 2026.
<p>4.2 Chair Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Membership update</li> <li>- Thank you to outgoing members</li> <li>- Land acknowledgement schedule</li> <li>- Help Shape Premiers' Council 2026–2029 Priorities email</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Thank you to outgoing AAC members.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Administration to share the <a href="#">land acknowledgement schedule</a> for members to sign up.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reminder to fill out the email regarding the Premier's Council priorities.</li> </ul>
<p>4.3 Policy Subcommittee Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Construction Accountability Program Status Update</a> report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Members created a response method for Council reports.</li> </ul>
<p>4.4 Community Engagement Subcommittee Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Created social media content for April and May.</li> <li>- Looking for suggestions to meet with community organizations.</li> </ul>
<p>4.5 Administration Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">CoE Budget survey</a> - May 1, 2026</li> <li>- Budget Townhalls - ASL will be available upon request</li> <li>- Oilers Playoffs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Alternative communications are available for city-run events upon request.</li> <li>- If an Oilers playoff game lands on an AAC meeting, the meeting will pivot to virtual.</li> </ul>
<p>4.6 ETSAB Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recap: Transit Town Hall and next steps</li> <li>- Update: snow clearing</li> <li>- DATS funding and DATS Advisory Group</li> <li>- Working Group Topics of Interest</li> <li>- Security and Transit Union Updates</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Transit Town Hall was successful. Mayor Knack attended. Looking to follow up with a letter containing action items for Council.</li> <li>- ETSAB is continuing the discussion with Council on the importance of snow removal for persons with disabilities in Edmonton.</li> <li>- An update will come after a DATS meeting. Let J. Jackman know of any concerns with DATS.</li> <li>- ETSAB will be working on the last two topics for the year: safety and security on transit.</li> </ul>
<p>5.7 Adjournment</p>	<p>Adjournment at 7:25 pm.</p>

## 6.0 Upcoming Items

1. Upcoming reports for 2026
  - a. Accessibility Advisory Committee - Governance Update (April 13, 2026)
  - b. 2027-2030 Budget Public Engagement (April 15, 2026)

- c. Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) Wildfire Risk Strategy (April 20, 2026)
- d. Bylaw XXXXX - Amendments to Public Spaces Bylaw 20700 (April 20, 2026)
- e. City Policy C620 - Supporting Vulnerable People During Extreme Weather Conditions (May 11, 2026)
- f. Residential Parking Program (May 12, 2026)
- g. Parking Benefit Districts (May 12, 2026)
- h. Curbside and Parking Program - Transforming Edmonton's Curbside and Parking Program (May 12, 2026)
- i. Edmonton Transit Service Conventional Bus Renewal Needs (May 12, 2026)
- j. 2025 Edmonton Police Service Annual Report (May 19, 2026)

**Next Meetings**

Date: May 11, 2026

Time 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm

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