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## **Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting, held January 16, 2024 at 1:00 pm, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom, 625 Fisgard Street, Victoria BC**

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### **PRESENT:**

Committee Members: P. Danforth (Chair), T. Bolt (Vice Chair), J. Briante, J. Coughlin, M. Essery, G. Goodwin, J. Parr, P. Pokorny, G. Robinson, E. Syring, R. Welland

Staff: C. Neilson, Senior Manager, Human Resources; E. Sinclair, Senior Manager, Regional and Strategic Planning; T. Moss, Manager, Visitor Experience and Stewardship; S. Orr, Senior Committee Clerk; J. Dorman, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP – Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 pm.

### **1. Territorial Acknowledgement**

Chair Danforth provided the Territorial Acknowledgement.

The Committee recessed at 1:02 pm.

The Committee reconvened at 1:12 pm.

### **2. Introduction of Governance Committee Liaison**

C. Neilson introduced Marie-Terese Little who will be the Liaison to the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

### **3. Approval of Agenda**

**MOVED** by J. Coughlin, **SECONDED** by M. Essery,  
That the agenda for the January 16, 2024 Accessibility Advisory  
Committee be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

#### **4. Adoption of Minutes**

**MOVED** by M. Essery, **SECONDED** by R. Welland,  
That the minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting  
of November 21, 2023 be adopted with the following amendment:  
8.3. discussion replace “Disability Association of BC” with  
“Disability Alliance of BC”  
**CARRIED**

#### **5. Chairs Remarks**

Chair Danforth thank the committee for their participation in the meeting today and spoke about the continued participation of committee members.

The Committee recessed at 1:16 pm.  
The Committee reconvened at 1:20 pm.

#### **6. Presentations/Delegations**

There were no presentations or delegations.

#### **7. Committee Business**

##### **7.1. Department Presentations on Accessibility**

C. Neilson spoke to Item 7.1.

##### **7.1.1. CRD Regional Parks**

T. Moss spoke to Item 7.1.1. and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- accessible parks and trails including individualized information surrounding accessibility
- definition of parks interpreters
- park and trail accessibility suggestions

**7.1.2. CRD Regional and Strategic Planning**

E. Sinclair spoke to Item 7.1.2 and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- access inclusion during planning
- lived and diverse experience
- floating bus stops
- BC Transit Accessibility Advisory Committee

**7.2. Support and Leadership Resources – Staffing Update**

C. Neilson spoke to Item 7.2.

**7.2.1. CRD Accessibility Plan (Draft)**

C. Neilson spoke to Item 7.2.1.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- CRD Stakeholders, tenants, employees and the public
- omission of people with speech and language disabilities in types of disabilities

**8. Notices of Motion**

There were no notice(s) of motion.

**9. New Business**

There was no new business.

**10. Adjournment**

**MOVED by M. Essery, SECONDED by T. Bolt,  
That the January 16, 2024 Accessibility Advisory Committee  
meeting be adjourned at 2:36 pm.  
CARRIED**

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Chair

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Committee Clerk