



Accessibility Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: December 12, 2024

FROM: Facilities and Construction Management Department

DATE: December 3, 2024

SUBJECT: Fire Hall 9 Accessibility Update

LOCATION: Fire Hall 9, 4075 Sixth Line

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report dated December 3, 2024, entitled "Fire Hall 9 Accessibility Update", be received.

KEY FACTS:

The following are key points for consideration with respect to this item:

- The new facility is a Fire Hall and Fire Prevention Office, with a total footprint of 1,413 m² (15,211 ft²)
- Salter Pilon Architecture has been retained by the Town of Oakville to act as the prime consultant for the design and administration of the project.
- Construction will be tendered according to a design-bid-build traditional project delivery, and it is anticipated that construction will start in the first quarter of 2025.
- The design scope of the project follows the standards set out in the Oakville Universal Design Standards for town facilities.

OUDS Measures in Outdoor Spaces:

- Barrier Free Parking & Vehicle Access with close proximity to accessible entrances.
- Accessible walkways connecting all publicly accessible entrances and the major pedestrian pathways.
- The use of Tactile Surface Indicators at transitions, particularly at the locations of curb cuts etc.
- Primarily flat and level pathways with no major elevation changes.
- Adequate lighting levels provided at all outdoor accessible pathways.

OUDS Measures in Indoor Spaces:

- All main entrances are accessible

- Universal washroom provided on the public accessible pathway adjacent to the public primary entry.
- Hands-free flush valves, faucets soap dispensers and hand dryers in publicly accessible washrooms.
- Interior accessible pathway connecting public entrances and all interior publicly used spaces.
- Clear floor spaces as required in the OUDS
- Turning circles as required by the OUDS
- Materials and finishes selections to reduce glare, provide non-slip flooring
- High contrast between horizontal (floor) and vertical (wall) planes particularly at transitions and doorways.
- Signage and Information to be designed according to the Town Sign Standard and in alignment with OUDS requirements.
- Areas of Refuge located at the stairs as required on Barrier Free path of travel.

Town staff will be soliciting feedback from the AAC on the design of Oakville Fire Hall 9 and Fire Prevention Offices at its meeting on December 12, 2024.

APPENDICES:

Appendix A – Fire Hall 9 – Accessibility Advisory Committee Presentation

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