



The Corporation of the
City of Sault Ste. Marie

COUNCIL REPORT

March 17, 2025

TO: Mayor Matthew Shoemaker and Members of City Council
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DEPARTMENT: Community Development and Enterprise Services
RE: Annual Accessibility Status Report – Year End 2024

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on the progress of the Barrier Removal projects in the Accessibility Plan.

Background

Under Ontario Regulation 191/11, Integrated Accessibility Standards, designated public sector organizations shall establish, implement, maintain and document a multi-year accessibility plan, which outlines the organization's strategy to prevent and remove barriers and meet its requirements under this Regulation. This also includes the preparation of an annual status report on the progress of measures taken to implement the strategy.

Analysis

The Sault Ste. Marie Accessibility Status Report, year ending 2024, is attached for Council's information.

Financial Implications

This report has no impact on financial resources. The Accessibility Advisory Committee for the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie has an annual budget of \$85,000, which is used to remove barriers as identified in the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan 2022-2025.

Strategic Plan / Policy Impact / Climate Impact

This report demonstrates Community Development (Social Equity), Service Delivery (Customer Service and Eliminate Barriers), and Quality of Life (Welcoming), by improving access to City of Sault Ste. Marie services and facilities for people with disabilities.

Recommendation

It is therefore recommended that Council take the following action:

Resolved that the report of the Accessibility Coordinator dated March 17, 2025 concerning the annual Accessibility Status Report 2024 be received as information.

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Respectfully submitted,

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