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**Report of the Midland Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held Monday,
March 12, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. in the Municipal Office Council Chambers.**

Present: R. Mable (Chair), T. Stadt, H. Fox, P. Weyman and K. Banks

Regrets: F. Moreau and C. Nichols

Also Present: K. Desroches, Clerk
S. Edgar, Committee Coordinator/Deputy Clerk
A. Zhao, Planner*

* (Departed meeting upon conclusion of Item 6)

1. Call to Order

R. Mable, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

No declarations were made at this time.

3. Review of Report

The Committee reviewed the report of the meeting held January 8, 2018, following which it was then,

Moved by H. Fox

Seconded by P. Weyman

**THAT the Minutes of the Midland Accessibility Advisory Committee
Meeting held January 8, 2018, be adopted as printed and circulated.**

CARRIED.

4. Site Plan Application – SPA-10-17 - 658 King Street

The Committee reviewed a memorandum dated January 11, 2018, from Planning and Building Services, regarding a Site Plan Application to permit the construction of a multi-phased Seniors' continuum of care campus at 658 King Street. The development would occur in three phases. Phase 1 would include a two storey long term care home with 128 beds, corporate offices and a "Seniors' Hub"; Phase 2 a five storey retirement lodge with up to 140 units; and Phase 3 three seniors' rental apartments at 30 unit in each building.

A. Zhao, Planner, provided an overview of the application and displayed a diagram highlighting the proposed development.

The Committee expressed concern regarding pedestrian safety during the various stages of construction as no provisions have been made to provide safe access from King Street to facilities for those attending on foot.

The Committee also stressed the importance of ensuring doors accessing and within the facilities are accessible.

The Clerk was directed to recirculate the drawings to the Committee for review. The Committee was requested to provide any further comments to the Planner via email.

5. Site Plan Control Approval Application No. SPA-01-18 - 880 King Street

The Committee reviewed a memorandum dated February 14, 2018, from Planning and Building Services, regarding a Site Plan Control Approval Application to permit the development of a 1,060 square metres multi-unit commercial building. A home appliance store would occupy 790 square metres of the building with the remaining 270 square metres available for lease. A Minor Variance has been permitted to decrease the number of required parking space from 59 to 45 in order to comply with MTO setbacks.

A. Zhao, Planner, provided an overview of the application and displayed a diagram highlighting the proposed development.

The Committee raised concern regarding the proposed location of the accessible parking space in terms of entry and egress maneuverability due its proximity to traffic entering the parking lot from King Street.

6. Site Plan Control Approval Application No. SPA-02-18 - 281 Midland Avenue

The Committee reviewed a memorandum dated March 2, 2018, from Planning and Building Services, regarding a Site Plan Control Approval Application to permit the development of a four storey, 10 unit, apartment building with 10 parking spots in the basement and 5 surface parking spaces, including a new driveway off Midland Avenue.

A. Zhao, Planner, provided an overview of the application and displayed a diagram highlighting the proposed development.

The Committee expressed no concerns and supported the plan as presented.

7. MAAC – Standard Terms of Reference Template

The Clerk provided a brief background regarding the establishment of the Standard Terms of Reference Template and identified key components that have been incorporated into Terms of Reference for all of the Town's committees/boards to provide for consistency.

The Committee recommended that Item 3 under “Reporting Structure” be amended to read that “The Committee shall provide a deputation to Council annually...” rather than semi-annually.

8. Other Business

The Committee recommended that the annual Public Meeting regarding the Town’s Multi-Year Accessibility and Transit Plan be held on May 7, 2018, and that Notice of the Public Meeting be advertised on the Town’s website and published in the Midland Mirror and the SNAP newspaper.

T. Stadt spoke to some challenges a family member has experienced while riding one of the Town’s transit buses which has resulted in this individual no longer riding the bus.

Committee members advised that a significant increase in the volume of residents utilizing the accessible transit service has resulted in Community Reach having to decline some requests.

The Committee raised concern regarding the lack of availability of the accessible taxi service.

The Clerk was directed to bring the concerns raised by the Committee to the attention of the appropriate Staff.

9. Next Meeting

Monday, May 7, 2018 at 2:00 pm
Municipal Office Council Chambers.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Karen Desroches

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Clerk