



**MIDDLESEX ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

Thursday, April 09, 2026 10:30 AM
Middlesex County Building
399 Ridout Street North, London

Members Present

Councillor Brennan
Warden Clarke
Councillor Mayhew
Michele Ivanouski
Jerrica Gilbert
William Kampers
Leslie-Anne Steeper-Doxtator

Members Absent

Jerrica Gilbert

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Brennan called the meeting to order at 10:30am.

2. PROVISION FOR DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Resolution Number: MAAC-2026-001

Moved By: Councillor Mayhew

Seconded By: William Kampers

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- 4.a Minutes of the November 20, 2025 Meeting of the Middlesex Accessibility Advisory Committee

Resolution Number: MAAC-2026-002

Moved By: Councillor Mayhew

Seconded By: Michele Ivanouski

THAT the Minutes of the November 20, 2025 Meeting of the Middlesex Accessibility Advisory Committee be approved as presented.

Carried

5. ACTION ITEMS

- 5.a County Wayfinding & Heritage Signage Strategy

Presentation by Cara Finn, Director of Economic Development

The Committee recommended the pedestrian signage include accessible features such as pedestrian push buttons or braille.

The Committee suggested that the Thames River be recognized as a historical river within the project.

The Committee also inquired about the reflectivity of the signage. Staff confirmed that this detail would be clarified in the final presentation to Council.

Resolution Number: MAAC-2026-003

Moved By: Leslie-Anne Steeper-Doxtator

Seconded By: Michele Ivanouski

THAT the County Wayfinding & Heritage Signage Strategy report be received for information.

Carried

- 5.b Municipality of Thames Centre - Wading Pool Replacement Project - 4275 Hamilton Rd.

Presentation by Steve MacDonald, Director of Community Services & Facilities, Municipality of Thames Centre

The Committee inquired about whether benches would be available for caregivers.

Staff confirmed that benches would be provided.

The Committee recommended that tactile walking surface indicators (TWSI) could be used at the surrounding edge of the pool for improved wayfinding and to provide a clear warning of the pool's edge for individuals with visual impairments.

Resolution Number: MAAC-2026-004

Moved By: William Kampers

Seconded By: Councillor Mayhew

THAT the Municipality of Thames Centre - Wading Pool Replacement Project at 4275 Hamilton Rd. presentation be received for information.

Carried

6. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

R. Glavin advised that the Municipality of Thames Centre has been awarded funding through the Province's Enhancing Access to Spaces for Everyone (EASE) Grant to support the construction of a new wheelchair-accessible swing at Dorchester Dream Park. The Committee had previously provided a letter of support for this grant application.

S. MacDonald provided additional background on the project, which was originally presented to the Committee for consultation in 2021. He further advised that the Municipality has applied for additional funding through the Rick Hansen Foundation's RBC Barrier Buster Grants Program, for which the Committee also provided a letter of support, and expressed appreciation for the Committee's ongoing support of the initiative.

7. INQUIRIES

None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.a Next Meetings

- Thursday, September 10, 2026
- Thursday, November 12, 2026

9. ADJOURNMENT

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Marcia Ivanic, County Clerk to make a request at clerk@middlesex.ca

Resolution Number: MAAC-2026-005

Moved By: Councillor Mayhew

Seconded By: Leslie-Anne Steeper-Doxtator

THAT the meeting adjourn at 10:59am.

Carried

Marci Ivanic, County Clerk

John Brennan, Chair