

Work Plan of the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee 2022

Submitted to:

The Town of Lincoln
The Township of West Lincoln
The Town of Pelham
The City of Thorold
The Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake and
The Town of Grimsby
The City of Port Colborne
The City of Welland

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In compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) and resulting regulations, the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee of Lincoln, West Lincoln, Pelham, Thorold, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Grimsby, Port Colborne and Welland (JAAC) works to provide consultation and assistance in developing compliance strategies and tools in order to ensure accessibility for its citizens.

This workplan outlines the activities of the JAAC for 2022 as they relate to it's mandate and terms of reference:

Terms of Reference	Activity	Detail	Timeline
The JAAC will collaborate with the Municipality in cultivating inclusion and the continual improvement of access to Municipal facilities, programs and services.	Meet with Mayors and Councillors	Meet at least 1x/year with Mayors and Councillors by presenting the new Multi-Year Accessibility Plan	September 2022
	Meet with Municipal Staff	Meet with senior municipal staff at least 1x/year to outline the JAAC role, update staff on AODA issues, remind staff of resources available to assist with accessibility matters.	February– December 2022
The JAAC will develop an Accessibility Award in recognition of municipal, public and private sector efforts to improve accessibility in our community.	Accessibility Award	Outreach to community through news media, social media and direct approach. Assess eligible businesses. Present successful businesses with Award; Council ceremony (as allowed by COVID). Media campaign for winners.	February – December 2022
The JAAC will initiate and implement education programs and events	JAAC Flag Raising	Create a JAAC flag to be raised as part of National AccessAbility Week and resulting media campaign. Request flag be raised by municipalities. Create corresponding media campaign.	May 30 - June 3-2022

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The JAAC will develop materials for the Municipality to meet its AODA compliance obligations.	Multi-Year Accessibility Plan	Draft new Multi-Year Accessibility Plan Correspond with staff to draft new Plan. Updated Plan presented to Council; released to public via	February - September 2022
The Consultant will develop materials for the Municipality to meet its AODA compliance obligations.	Accessibility Audits of JAAC municipal facilities	website. Where needed, audits of 5 facilities per municipality will be conducted	February– December 2022
The JAAC shall liaise with other Accessibility Advisory Committees throughout the Niagara Region.	Meeting with other AAC's of Niagara	Organize meeting of all AAC's in Niagara	January - June 2021