

## **APPENDIX A – FEEDBACK FROM ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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Administration submitted report ACC21-2 to the January 11, 2021 Accessibility Advisory Committee to have an open dialogue for the following:

1. Prioritization of sidewalks and deficiency repairs throughout the City
2. Temporary maintenance initiatives for sidewalks during Winter
3. Repair timelines for deficiency repairs

The Committee raised questions regarding the overall accessibility of the sidewalk network and if obstacles on the sidewalk that limit accessibility (i.e. trees, signposts, etc.) are repaired under the Concrete Distress Program. Administration advised that the City of Regina's (City) road and sidewalk renewal programs aim to improve accessibility when locations are treated but currently, limited accessibility due to an obstacle on the sidewalk is not currently rated or treated as a distress under the Concrete Distress Program. Administration will review the current sidewalk inspection guidelines to determine how inspections could include a review of issues created limited accessibility for pedestrians.

The deterioration of the sidewalks in the downtown core was also brought up by the Committee. Administration advised that improvement of the sidewalks in the downtown core will be improved over the next ten years through a targeted focus on infrastructure renewal and maintenance in that area.

The Committee also raised concerns with transit stops that are not connected by sidewalks or pathways to the rest of the network. Through the Pedestrian Connectivity Program, Administration will also be providing sidewalks and/or pathways to connect transit stops with the rest of the pedestrian network. This program focuses on locations where the pedestrian network can be connected to existing transit routes, multi-use pathways and/or schools, and other important points that connect the City's pedestrian network.