**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION**

**OF THE DESIGN OF PUBLIC SPACES**

**STANDARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**1:30 P.M. – 3:30 P.M., THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2019**

**SECOND FLOOR EXECUTIVE BOARDROOM**

**NORQUAY BUILDING, 401 YORK AVENUE**

**Present:**  Glen Manning (Chairperson), Bob Somers, Colin Mathison, Colin Marnoch,

Judy Redmond, Brian Everton, Rebecca Lauhn-Jensen, John Wyndels (Secretary)

**Absent:** Kris Cowley, Lisa Richards

The majority of source material reviews have been completed and submitted. The contact in Ontario was away for an extended period over the holidays. Arrangements will be made to speak with him in the near future. The Secretary will provide the committee with a list of legislative requirements of all proposed accessibility standards to better understand timelines to complete their portion of the process.

The chairperson reported that the Canadian Standards Association, responsible for one of the source materials for the committee’s jurisdictional scan, may be willing to share their graphics.

There was a discussion of future meetings and the most effective way to share all the information on the spreadsheet. Printing the spreadsheet is long and unwieldy. There is considerable duplication from the various source materials. It was suggested that the document be streamlined into essential writing in order to provide a clear understanding of what source materials offer regarding the various components of the standard. The spreadsheet will be projected on the screen in the boardroom in future meetings. Committee members presented the review of their assigned source material.

The Deputy Minister (DM) spoke to the committee and responded to questions posed from committee members. Brian reviewed the committee’s concerns related to scope and process for the benefit of the Deputy Minister. Among the questions posed to the DM were

* the considerably narrower scope of the standard from what is stated in the Act;
* the state of the Manitoba Building Code and why Manitoba has not adopted the latest revision to the National Building Code;
* the purchasing of resource materials related to the committee’s work;
* the public engagement process; and,
* the need for graphics and illustrations to provide the public and all stakeholders a better understanding of the requirements of a proposed standard of public spaces.

The DM promised to speak to the committee in the future when he has responses to some of the questions posed.

The next meeting of the Design of Public Spaces Standard Development Committee is Thursday, January 17 at 1:30 p.m. in the Second Floor Executive Boardroom of the Norquay Building, 401 York Avenue.