

**MINUTES OF THE DESIGN OF PUBLIC SPACES
STANDARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M. – 3:30 P.M., NOVEMBER 28, 2018
SECOND FLOOR EXECUTIVE BOARDROOM
NORQUAY BUILDING, 401 YORK AVENUE**

Present: Glen Manning (Chairperson), Bob Somers, Judy Redmond, Kris Cowley, Rebecca Luhn-Jensen, Lisa Richards, Colin Mathison, Colin Marnoch, Norman Garcia (OFC), John Wyndels (Secretary)

Absent: None

Two members from the Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC) were present. The OFC agreed to serve as a resource to the committee. It is aware that the work of the committee will focus on the Design of Public Spaces, not the Building Code. Members of the committee said this is a source of concern. The committee was told there is an on-going effort among National/Provincial/Territorial governments to streamline and harmonize building code operations.

The scope of the project is smaller than initially believed. The Terms of Reference state that the committee's efforts will be to focus on the Design of Public Spaces. That does not match the area of standard development identified within The Accessibility for Manitobans Act, which is "built environment", including buildings, structures and premises. This will be a topic of discussion with the Deputy Minister on December 12.

A list of resource materials has been compiled and distributed to members of the committee. A new approach was suggested as to how we review the assigned materials. The committee had initially agreed that various members would look at a particular aspect of the proposed standard. The new approach would have each member of the committee be assigned a resource material and sort specifications from the resource to correspond with the areas identified within the Ontario standard. In other words, members would each be assigned vertical columns related to a specific standard rather than horizontal topics. This would make it easier to identify outliers, and reduce the number of documents we all have to access. Areas not identified in the Ontario standard but referenced in the resource material would be added in red print at the bottom of the designated row.

An excel spreadsheet will be created with the Ontario Design of Public Spaces standard on the left and the nine benchmark resource materials listed vertically. Committee members will be tasked with filling in all areas identified in the Ontario standard according to the resource material they have been asked to review.

The next meeting of the Design of Public Spaces Standard Development Committee will be Wednesday, December 12 from 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. in the Second Floor Executive Boardroom of the Norquay Building, 401 York Avenue.