



The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie By-law 131-2024

Being a By-law to adopt the 2024-2029 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan for the Town of Fort Erie and to Repeal By-law 157-2019

Whereas Section 4 of Ontario Regulation 191/11 made under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005* requires that,

- (1) Designated public sector organizations shall
 - a) establish, implement, maintain and document a multi-year accessibility plan, which outlines the organization's strategy to prevent and remove barriers and meet its requirements under this Regulation,
 - b) post the accessibility plan on their website and provide the plan in an accessible format upon request, and
 - c) review and update the accessibility plan at least once every five years; and
- (2) Designated public sector organizations shall establish, review and update their accessibility plans in consultation with persons with disabilities and their accessibility advisory committee; and

Whereas consultation included Accessibility Advisory Committee members attending public events to garner feedback and an online survey from June 7 to July 20, 2024; and

Whereas Accessibility Advisory Committee members undertook inspections of Town facilities, parks, playgrounds and trails; and

Whereas By-law 157-2019 was passed by the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie on December 9, 2021, to adopt the 2019-2023 Town of Fort Erie Multi-Year Accessibility Plan; and

Whereas Report CAO-16-2024 was approved at the Council-in-Committee meeting of December 2, 2024, directing that a by-law be submitted to Council to adopt the Town of Fort Erie 2024-2029 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and repeal By-law 167-2019; and

Whereas it is deemed desirable to adopt the Town of Fort Erie 2024-2029 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan in the form of Schedule A attached to this by-law;

Now, therefore, the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie enacts as follows:

1. **That** the Town of Fort Erie 2024-2029 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan attached as Schedule A to this by-law is approved and adopted.
2. **That** By-law 157-2019 is repealed.
3. **That** the Clerk of the Town is authorized to affect any minor modifications, corrections or omissions, solely of an administrative, numerical, grammatical, semantical or descriptive nature to this by-law or its schedules after the passage of this by-law.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 16th day of December 2024.

Mayor

Clerk