

Election Questionnaire

1. City Council has set a vision statement for Regina that says, *"Imagine Regina 2020, Canada's most vibrant, inclusive, attractive, sustainable, community where people live in harmony and thrive in opportunity."* Are you aware of what the City is doing to ensure that people who have a disability are a full part of that vision?

Yes No Please explain: I am currently the Chairperson on the Accessibility Advisory Committee

2. Are you satisfied with the progress the City of Regina has made in providing accessible services and facilities to people with disabilities and ensuring their "full and effective participation and inclusion in society"(quote from -U.N. Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities-CRPD)?

Yes No Please explain: There has been progress but there is always more that needs to be done to address the UN Convention. Thank you to IDEA Regina for bringing their brief to the AAC's attention.

3. In April 2012 IDEA forwarded a paper to the cities Access Advisory Committee (AAC) entitled **The Next Steps**. This paper included three recommendations:
- That the AAC commit to using the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) as the foundation for its work and particularly for the development of a comprehensive access plan for Regina.
 - That the AAC adopt a more active strategy to involve people with disabilities and their

organizations directly in developing a comprehensive plan.

- That the AAC call on city council to publicly endorse the CRPD and commit to using the principles, goals, structure and collective wisdom outlined in the CRPD in setting future policy direction.

Do you support these three recommendations?

Yes No Please explain: These recommendations were sent to the Community and Protective Services Committee made the only motion that our Terms of Reference allows which was the AAC advises that the CPS recommend to Council that the report be adopted

Additional Comments:

The AAC is currently reviewing their Terms of Reference to further enable the Committee to address the issues of access within our city.

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