Accessibility Framework - Endorsement and Next Steps

That Council direct staff to:

- Complete stakeholder engagement on the proposed draft documents, with particular focus on appendix c, finalize edits and ready the documents for final Council approval, in Quarter 1 2020;
- 2. Continue to advocate for strong and effective Provincial legislation for persons with disabilities and participate in stakeholder consultation processes on the development of Accessibility Legislation in the Province of BC;
- 3. Endorse the policy statement noted in Appendix D and direct staff to report back with a formal policy for consideration in Q1 2020;
- 4. Endorse adding a staff person dedicated to accessibility to be hired as soon as possible in 2020 with funds to come from new assessed revenue;
- 5. Direct staff to report back with a list of year 1 action items and direct the funding allocated in 2019 for Accessibility Framework implementation to be used for accessibility framework implementation in 2020;
- 6. Report back on the Terms of Reference for an Advisory Body to enable ongoing input from persons with lived-experience on issues relating to accessibility.
- 7. That the inventory of Accessibility Working Group recommendations be appended to the draft Accessibility Framework as an appendix.