Accessibility Advisory Committee





Motion – January 15, 2014

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Mason, that the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report to inform the process for requesting changes for the provincial building code specific to accessibility in <u>new homes</u>. The report should include other municipal jurisdictions that have made changes to regulations for homes such as: those that require lever type handles on doors and facets; height of light switches; and mechanisms for improving access to barrier-free units in larger residential buildings. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.



Response to Motion – 2 Paths

- Technical analysis by working group of SMEs.
- Administrative process via Act & Regulation.



Focus of Technical Analysis



Audibility



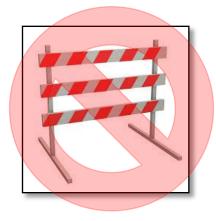
Access







Functionality



Barrier Free

Scan of National Standards & Regulations



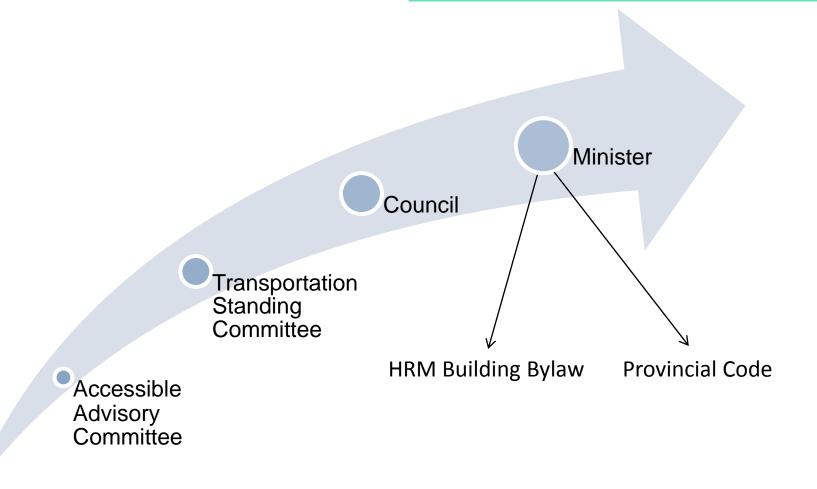


Liveability Design

- Levers; faucets and doors
- Control heights
- Entry door size (810) & threshold (13)
- Main level interior door openings (800)
- Main level corridor widths (900)
- Blocking in main level bathrooms near toilet & shower
- Out swing door main level bathrooms
- Plumbing rough in kitchen & bath basin drains
- Main level window sill height (800)
- Substitute liveability requirement for 1/20



Administrative Process







Next steps



Update

- Ministers Committee
- NSBAC
- AD HOC Committee regarding accessibility in dwellings
- Participation sought (staff plus 2)
- Report to TSC required
- TOR August

