Good morning,

I hope this message finds you well.

As you may be aware, the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George (RDFFG) has established an Advisory Committee on Accessibility in accordance with the *Accessible British Columbia Act* and Regulation No. 105/22. This initiative is intended to support collaborative efforts among member municipalities to identify, remove, and prevent barriers to accessibility within our communities.

We are reaching out to confirm your municipality's interest in participating in this committee.

As outlined in the approved **Terms of Reference**:

- Each participating Council may appoint up to two voting members to the Committee, ensuring representation aligns with the criteria (e.g., individuals with disabilities, Indigenous representation, geographic diversity).
- Participating Councils are also asked to appoint one non-voting staff member to support the Committee's work.
- Travel expenses for municipal appointees are to be covered by the respective municipality.

In addition, we kindly ask that you please advise on the following:

 Does your municipality currently have its own Accessibility Advisory Committee, or how is your municipality currently meeting the legislative requirements under the Accessible BC Act?

The RDFFG is actively recruiting for the Accessibility Advisory Committee on our website, social media (RDFFG Facebook page), and through newspaper (Prince George Citizen but won't be advertised till August 14th), but we also **kindly request your assistance in promoting the application process for committee membership within your community.** This will help ensure broad and diverse representation from across the region. Promotional materials are attached for your use on municipal websites, social media, and community bulletin boards.

The <u>application</u>, <u>Terms of Reference</u>, and all information regarding the Accessibility Advisory Committee can be found on our website - <u>https://www.rdffg.ca/Accessibility</u>. Please feel free to refer others to this page should they require more details.

We ask that you please respond as soon as possible, and no later than **August 28, 2025**, in order to proceed with coordination and the Board's consideration of appointments. The Regional District is looking to have a committee in place before the end of this year.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you.

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