

**Accessible Advisory Committee Request - Hillview Acton****as of October 27, 2023****Name of Items being requested:**

Push Button on doors between Hillview Active Living Centre Acton and hallway of Acton Arena and on one washroom inside Hillview lounge.

Budget – Total request amount \$12000.00**List preferred option and why:**

To be installed by the Town's preferred electrician supplied by Aim Lock and Safe who has experience with similar projects in the facility.

Summary of reason for the purchase, how it aligns with AODA standards and how it will improve accessibility:

An accessible push button is required to automate the door linking Hillview with the Arena hallway and to be installed on one of the two washrooms inside the lounge. These buttons need to be located near the door handle and be within reach of those with varying abilities who need access. The existing doors meet the width requirement but does not have automation so participants with limited mobility or who have mobility devices must request assistance to move through this space. Wireless push-activated button will make it easier for all people to access the washroom and transition space independently.

In previous years the transition door between Hillview and the arena was not heavily used for day-to-day programming. With increased activity at Hillview, this door is now used for participants to reach Halls B and C when Hall A is in use.

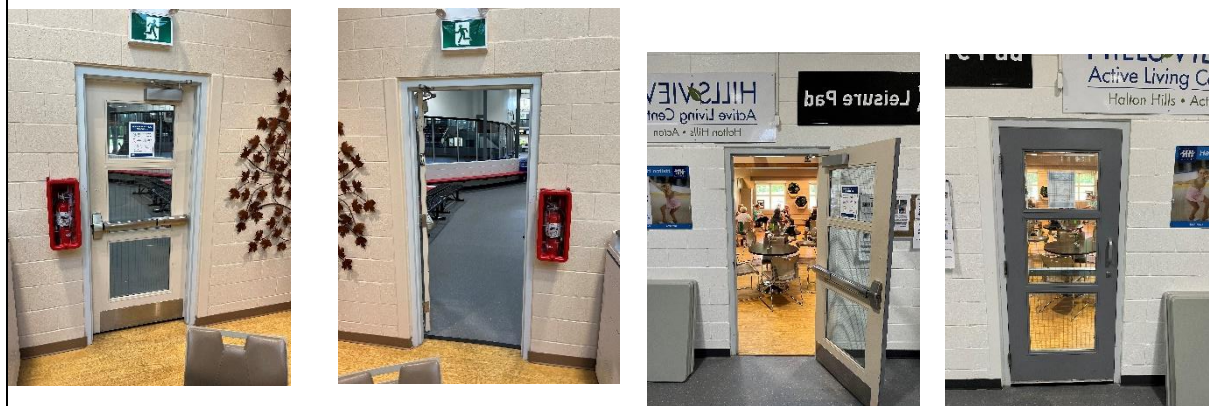
The washroom door will be powered with power operator and self-latching capabilities, electronic locking mechanisms (with emergency release function) (see photo below). An emergency call system that sends visual and audio alerts within and outside the washroom when the button is pushed. A sign will be installed alerting users to the presence of an emergency button.

This washroom is also connected to the Rick Bonnette Community Hall. The hall is available to rent evenings and weekends to various community groups and private functions. Having this AODA feature will provide increased comfort level for participants with limited mobility.

Other benefits include:

- Empowering independence
- AODA compliance
- Age friendly to benefit all users
- Health and safety
- Consistent with other doors throughout recreation facilities

Pictures – buttons to be installed on both sides of door seen in attached photos.



Pictures of one washroom – will select the one closest to the reception desk.

