

LGBTQ2+ ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

MAY 26, 2016

A meeting of the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, May 26, 2016, at 5:33 pm, in the Business Centre Meeting Room, Second Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Kirsten Anderson, Co-Chair

Rachaal Steele, Co-Chair

Bijan Ahmadian Brendan Bailey Rob McDowell Morgane Oger Yogi Omar Jen Roberton

ABSENT: Sabina Denton

Hélène Frohard-Dourlent

Barb Snelgrove Chase Willier

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Tim Stevenson, Council Liaison

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Donald Kinloch, Meeting Coordinator

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Rachaal Steele SECONDED Kirsten Anderson

THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee approve Leaves of Absence for Sabina Denton, Hélène Frohard-Dourlent, Barb Snelgrove and Chase Willier for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Jen Robertson SECONDED by Morgane Oger

THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting held March 31, 2016, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Nominations of New Members, Protocol and Requests

Rachaal Steel provided information to the Committee and outlined the process, protocol and eligibility requirements to be met for nominating candidates for consideration by Council to fill three vacant seats on the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee for the term ending February 28, 2017.

2. Election of Co-Chair

Following due process, the Committee appointed Kirsten Anderson unanimously by a show of hands to serve as a Co-Chair for the term ending February 28, 2017.

3. Vancouver Police Department (VPD) Member Liaison

Rachaal Steel provided information to the Committee regarding a request from the VPD to have an appointed Liaison attend LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee meetings.

Councillor Stevenson confirmed that in order for such consideration, a formal request from the VPD directed to Mayor and Council would be necessary in order for Council to consider formal appointment of additional Advisory Committee liaisons. The Committee was advised to consult with both the City Clerk's and the Mayor's Offices for more information.

4. Vancouver Police Department Trans Inclusion Video

A Trans Inclusion training video was reviewed by the Committee at the request of the Vancouver Police Department - Training Division.

Following the video, the Committee had a brief discussion and provided feedback. Comments included noticing that there were significantly more female-identified gender than male-identified gender, and that a wider scope of diversity could have been represented. Community training was also suggested.

It was noted that the video was the first of three steps to educate Vancouver Police officers with a basic understanding on gender diversity and trans inclusion.

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VARY AGENDA

MOVED by Rachaal Steele SECONDED by Kirsten Anderson

THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee vary the agenda to deal with new business items before items 5 and 6.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Note: for clarity the agenda items have been recorded in chronological order.

7. New Business

(a) City of Vancouver sponsored Vancouver Pride Events

Councillor Stevenson provided an update and responded to questions regarding the City of Vancouver's involvement with Vancouver Pride celebrations.

Because the scheduled demolition of the West Annex on City Hall campus and resulting construction zone, Vancouver Pride event celebrations that would normally have occurred at City Hall campus in previous years will be relocated to the West End.

(b) Attendance at Other Meetings

Kirsten Anderson provided an update and responded to questions regarding her attendance at a recent meeting of the Housing Subcommittee of the Senior's Advisory Committee where attendance was discussed.

5. Vancouver Police Department Trans Policy

Morgane Oger provided an update and summarized the details regarding the Vancouver Police Department's proposed policy entitled "1.14 - Community, Diversity, and Victim Services - 1.14.4 Initial Contact with Transgender Persons".

MOVED by Morgane Oger SECONDED by Rachaal Steele

THAT Vancouver Police Department Proposed Policy Document dated June 16, 2016, entitled "1.14 Community, Diversity, and Victim Services - 1.14.4 Initial Contact with Transgender Persons" be endorsed by the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Davie Village Construction

Brendan Bailey provided an update on the recent Davie Village Construction and Jim Deva Plaza and responded to questions.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Rachaal Steele SECONDED by Kirsten Anderson

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee adjourned at 7:32 pm.

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Next Meeting

DATE: Thursday, July 7, 2016

TIME: 5:30 pm

PLACE: City Hall Business Centre Meeting Room

2nd Floor, City Hall