

#### LGBTQ2+ ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### **MINUTES**

#### February 8, 2018

A meeting of the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, February 8, 2018, at 5:32 pm, in the Business Centre Meeting Room, Second Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Brendan Bailey, Co-Chair

Kirsten Anderson Carolyn Camman Brooklyn Fowler Andy Holmes Jutta Kolhi Sylvia Machat Yogi Omar Chase Willier Catherine Wong\*

ABSENT: Jen Donovan, Co-Chair (Leave of Absence)

David C. Jones (Leave of Absence) Rob McDowell (Leave of Absence)

Linnea Strom (Sick Leave)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Tim Stevenson, Council Liaison

Trustee Carrie Bercic, School Board Liaison

Commissioner Michael Wiebe, Park Board Liaison

Constable Dale Quiring, Police Liaison

Paul Czene, Recreation Coordinator, Access & Volunteer

Services, Staff Liaison

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Bonnie Kennett, Meeting Coordinator

\*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting

### **WELCOME**

Brendan Bailey, Co-Chair, acknowledged that we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations and gave thanks for their generosity and hospitality on these lands.

# **Leave of Absence Requests**

MOVED by Jutta Kolhi SECONDED by Carolyn Camman

THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee approve leaves of absence for Jen Donovan, David C. Jones and Rob McDowell for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Catherine Wong absent for the vote)

### **Approval of Minutes**

MOVED by Chase Willier SECONDED by Yogi Omar

THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of November 23, 2017, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Catherine Wong absent for the vote)

### 1. Introductions and Membership Updates

The meeting commenced with roundtable introductions of Committee members and staff.

# 2. Liaison and Staff Updates

Commissioner Michael Wiebe, Park Board Liaison, provided a brief verbal update on involvement with the Trans, Gender Diverse and Two-Spirit Inclusion Advisory Committee at the Park Board and expressed interest in participating on Subcommittees.

Trustee Carrie Bercic, School Board Liaison, provided an update on involvement on the Diversity Committee at the Vancouver School Board including updating forms to include non-binary options, a booklet entitled "Questions and Answers for Parents and Caregivers of Transgender and Gender Diverse Youth", and support for the SOGI 123 Curriculum. Trustee Bercic also noted there is student confusion surrounding use of gender neutral washrooms and more clear parameters need to be set out as these washrooms are intended to be universal washrooms and not exclusionary.

Constable Dale Quiring, Vancouver Police Liaison, provided an update on ongoing work including training, and an outreach event in the spring.

Paul Czene, Staff Liaison, provided an update regarding creating an inclusive customer service standard by the end of the year and also providing refresher training to staff.

Councillor Tim Stevenson, Council Liaison, provided an update on the three recommendations the Committee approved in November and is awaiting a response from the City Manager.

# 3. Subcommittee Updates

Reconciliation/Two-Spirit - Chase Willier informed the Committee of an upcoming joint meeting with the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee tentatively planned for Monday, March 5, at 5:30 pm. More details will be sent once available.

Davie Street Revitalization - Brendan Bailey provided a brief update regarding improved lighting at Jim Deva Plaza with the installation of catenary lights which make the space feel safer.

Older Adults - Kirsten Anderson provided a brief update indicating the Subcommittee will have a recommendation to put forward at the next meeting regarding the archive project.

#### 4. New Business

#### a) Social Media

Chase Willier brought up the need for the Committee to have someone with knowledge or a background in social media. Brendan Bailey will follow up to see what is involved in becoming connected on social media with the city.

## Adjournment

MOVED by Yogi Omar SECONDED by Chase Willier

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# **Next Meeting:**

DATE: Thursday, March 8, 2018

TIME: 5:30 pm

PLACE: Business Centre Meeting Room

2nd Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 7:11 pm.

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