



CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Thursday, February 18, 2016

A meeting of the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee (CYFAC) was held on Thursday, February 18, 2016, at 5:35 pm, in the Town Hall Meeting Room, Main Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT:

- Yasmin Ali, Co-Chair
- Nico Cullen-McKnight*
- Janice Douglas
- Joy Fan, Co-Chair
- Lena Hozaima
- Aaron Leung
- Iris Liu
- Christy Lo
- Tasha Nijjar
- Mab Oloman
- Samantha Truong
- Eric Wong
- Wenyong Wu
- Frank Yan
- Anna Zhang*
- Joy Zhou, Co-Chair

ALSO PRESENT:

- Erica Mark, Staff Liaison, Vancouver Park Board
- Gillian Guilment-Smith, Staff Liaison, Vancouver Public Library

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Leslie Tuerlings, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

Leave of Absence Requests

None.

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Samantha Truong
SECONDED by Lena Hozaima

THAT the minutes of the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee meeting held on November 26, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Nico Cullen-McKnight and Anna Zhang absent for the vote)

1. Family Friendly Housing Update

Allison Dunnet, Housing Policy and Projects, provided a presentation on this matter and responded to questions.

Following discussion, the Committee agreed to create a Family Housing Subcommittee.

2. Active Transportation Promotion and Enabling Plan - 2016 Priorities, Including Cycling Education in Schools

Lynn Guilbault, Project Manager, Stakeholder and Active Transportation Community Relations, provided a presentation on this matter and, along with Dale Bracewell, Manager, Active Transportation, responded to questions.

The Committee provided feedback in regard to cycling education in schools to be included in staff's report back to Council.

3. Update on Filling Committee Positions

The Meeting Coordinator advised that there are now five vacant positions on the Committee. Applications are being accepted from February 22, 2016, until March 18, 2016, at 5 pm. Please direct interested parties to vancouver.ca/volunteer to apply.

4. Working Session Feedback/Survey Discussion

Aaron Leung provided a brief overview of the survey responses and noted that he will be reopening the survey for those who did not have a chance to complete it.

5. South False Creek Seawall Update

Joy Fan provided a brief overview of the South False Creek Seawall Open House she attended on February 2, 2016.

6. Vancouver School Board Closure

Aaron Leung reviewed the suggested school closures and the Committee and agreed to reach out to the School Board liaison to discuss further.

7. City Ban on Plastic Bags

Joy Fan led the Committee in a discussion regarding the City's possible ban on plastic bags.

8. Vancouver Park Board City Wide Youth Council

Erica Mark, Staff Liaison, Vancouver Park Board, provided an overview of the City Wide Youth Council and their subcommittees. She also invited a representative from the Committee to attend the next City Wide Youth Council meeting on March 9, 2016. Lena Hozaima and Joy Fan will attend.

9. Sanctuary City / Access without Fear

Tasha Nijjar provided an overview of the Sanctuary City meeting she attended last week. She also noted that the Mayor's Task Force on Immigration is working on a draft policy and will be presenting to Council in the Spring.

10. 10th Avenue Corridor Stakeholder Workshop

The Committee was invited to send one or two representatives to the 10th Avenue Corridor Stakeholder Workshop on February 25 and 29, 2016. Please advise Yasmin Ali if you are interested in attending.

11. Procedure Regarding Invites to Meetings and Events

The Committee agreed to circulate invitations and confirm who will be attending via email.

12. New Business

a) Updates from Committee Members

Gillian Guilmant-Smith distributed brochures for the Vancouver Public Library's spring break programs.

Eric Wong reminded the Committee that Pink Shirt Day, is on Wednesday, February 24, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Samanth Truong
SECONDED by Iris Liu

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Regular Meeting:

DATE: Thursday, April 14, 2016
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Town Hall, First floor, City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 7:32 pm.

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