



## CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

January 27, 2022

A meeting of the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, January 27, 2022, at 5:38 pm via electronic means.

**PRESENT:** Josie Driedger (Co-Chair)  
Joseph Dunn\* (Co-Chair)  
Alex Bonnesen  
Kaylee Chou  
Winston Chow  
Ariel Collins English  
Janice Douglas  
Maeve Downing  
Ceilidh Flattes  
Sara Giron  
Julia Kyi  
Kiara Lambert  
Mab Oloman  
Niki Taromi

**ABSENT:** Nicholas Feng (Co-Chair)  
Stephanie Howell (Leave of Absence)  
Stephen Kosar (Leave of Absence)  
Mike Lang (Leave of Absence)  
Grace Li  
Katherine Moore (Leave of Absence)  
Eva Yueng

**ALSO PRESENT:** Gina Gaudet, Vancouver Public Library (Staff Liaison)  
Erica Mark, Recreation Services Coordinator, Vancouver  
Parks Board (Staff Liaison)  
Trustee Carmen Cho, VSB Liaison

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Ana Denissenko, Committee Clerk

\*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting

### WELCOME

Co-Chair Driedger acknowledged we are on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

### Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Alex Bonnesen  
SECONDED by Mab Oloman

THAT the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee approve leaves of absence for Stephanie Howell, Stephen Kosar, Mike Lang, and Katherine Moore.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Joseph Dunn absent for the vote)

### **Approval of Minutes**

MOVED by Alex Bonnesen  
SECONDED by Ariel Collins English

THAT the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of Thursday, December 16, 2021, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Joseph Dunn absent for the vote)

### **1. Elections Presentation**

Staff:  
Danielle Johnston, Election Outreach Manager  
Rosemary Hagiwara, Chief Election Officer

Danielle Johnston provided a presentation and subsequently responded to questions and comments.

The Committee members outlined the importance of social media outreach, outreach in schools, and asked Elections staff to attend future Committee meetings to inform the Committee on progress.

### **2. Liaison Updates**

Councillor Dominato provided updates on the following and subsequently responded to questions and comments:

- Council approved the motion “Making Home: Housing For All Of Us”, brought forward by Mayor Stewart;
- Vancouver Plan and Broadway Plan are in final stages and will be presenting draft plans to Council.

Trustee Cho provided updates on the following and subsequently answered to questions and comments:

- The Minister of Education has launched a pilot focusing on high-quality before and after school programs, to be implemented at Strathcona Elementary;
- A Food Framework Ad Hoc Committee has been created with VSB Trustees and members of the public;

- VSB is working on an anti-racism and anti-discrimination report that will delineate goals and objectives.

Erica Mark provided updates on the following:

- Vancouver Park Board has been adapting to Public Health Orders to ensure health and safety at community centers;
- Ongoing recruitment – hiring youth workers and program assistants.

Gina Gaudet provided updates on the following, and responded to questions and comments:

- VPL has been following Public Health Orders and the viability of in-person programs will be assessed by the library's Directors' Group next week;
- Online programs for youth are not changing;
- Meditative drawing and D&D for teens to launch at VPL in the spring 2022;
- Resume workshop for teens will be held online on February 15, 2022.

### **3. Work Plan Discussion and Approval**

MOVED by Mab Oloman  
SECONDED by Winston Chow

WHEREAS the Council approved the motion "Making Home: Housing For All Of Us".

AND WHEREAS the Council approved the motion "Considering Youth Housing Needs within the City's Housing Strategy".

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee send a follow-up letter to the one sent to Mayor and Council on April 26, 2021, regarding levelling the playing field in family housing for Vancouver.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee decided to postpone the discussion of the work plan to the next working session.

### **4. Subcommittee Updates**

None.

### **5. New Business**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Winston Chow  
SECONDED by Maeve Downing

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Next Meeting:**

DATE: Thursday, March 31, 2022  
TIME: 5:30 pm  
PLACE: WebEx Online

The Committee adjourned at 7:10 pm.

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