



## LGBTQ2+ ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

November 26, 2015

A meeting of the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, November 26, 2015, at 5:30 pm, in the Business Centre Meeting Room, Second Floor, City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Drew Dennis, Co-Chair  
Rachaal Steele, Co-Chair  
Bijan Ahmadian  
Kirsten Anderson  
Brendan Bailey  
Sabina Denton  
Hélène Frohard-Dourlent  
Trevor Kramer  
Morgane Oger  
Yogi Omar  
Jen Robertson  
Barb Snelgrove  
Chase Willier

**ABSENT:** Metha Brown (Leave of Absence)  
Rob McDowell (Leave of Absence)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Trustee Patti Bacchus, Vancouver School Board

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Terri Burke, Meeting Coordinator

#### Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Rachaal Steele  
SECONDED by Yogi Omar

THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee approve Leaves of Absence for Metha Brown and Rob McDowell for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Barbara Snelgrove  
SECONDED by Trevor Kramer

THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting held September 24, 2015, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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## Vary Agenda

*MOVED by Morgane Oger  
SECONDED by Kirsten Anderson*

*THAT the Committee vary the agenda in order to deal with the In Camera meeting motion as the last item of business.*

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

*Note: For clarity the minutes are recorded in numerical order.*

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## In Camera Meeting

*MOVED by Morgane Oger  
SECONDED by Jen Robertson*

*THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee will go into a meeting later this day which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the Vancouver Charter, to discuss matters related to paragraph:*

*(a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the city or another position appointed by the city.*

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

### 1. Presentation - Accessibility in Jim Deva Plaza

Jill Weiss, Past Chair, Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee, provided a verbal update on the installation of an accessible washroom at the proposed Jim Deva Plaza in the West End. She noted the current portable washroom in that location is not accessible, and the requirement for an accessible washroom is stated in the BC Human Rights Code. She asked the Committee for its support in the installation of the new washroom and noted that the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee passed a motion at their last meeting on this matter. Ms. Weiss also responded to questions.

### 2. Discussion - Human Rights Complaint

The Committee discussed an email they received regarding the inaccessible washroom at the location of the proposed Jim Deva Plaza in the West End. Drew Dennis, Co-Chair, noted the report on the Jim Deva Plaza is tentatively scheduled for the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on December 16, 2015.

MOVED by Drew Dennis  
SECONDED by Barbara Snelgrove

THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee supports the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee's recommendation of the installation of an accessible gender universal public toilet, within the Jim Deva Plaza, and that it is in compliance of the BC Human Rights Code.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 3. Presentation and Approval of Committee Work Plan

Committee members were provided a copy of the Committee's work plan and asked to establish leads for each subcommittee and formulate action items.

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*The Committee recessed at 6:18 pm to break into subcommittees and discuss the work plan, and reconvened at 6:46 pm.*

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Rachaal Steele, Co-Chair, noted revisions to the work plan were made during the recess and asked members to e-mail her any further updates as the work plan is meant to be a living document.

MOVED by Brendan Bailey  
SECONDED by Sabina Denton

THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee approves the work plan (*circulated and on file*) as amended at the November 26, 2015, meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 4. Subcommittee Updates

Barbara Snelgrove noted the Revitalization of Davie Village Subcommittee submitted a legacy statement for the Jim Deva Plaza.

Morgane Oger noted the Policing and Accountability Subcommittee had a meeting with the VPD and highlighted a potential opportunity for working together in the future.

Jen Robertson noted the Youth Homelessness and Social Services Subcommittee met with City staff about the homeless count.

## 5. Day of Pink Request

Hélène Frohard-Dourlent noted City staff had been in contact with members of the Committee with regard to organizing Day of Pink Dialogues in April, 2016. She noted there will be a meeting with the Vancouver School Board Pride Advisory Committee in the coming weeks to discuss working together on the event.

The Committee discussed the origins of the International Day of Pink and Pink Shirt Day.

## 6. 2016 Meetings Schedule

The Committee discussed meeting dates for 2016.

MOVED by Trevor Kramer  
SECONDED by Sabina Denton

THAT the Committee approve the following meeting dates for 2016:

Meetings take place on a Thursday of each month (except for August) at 5:30 pm.

ALL THURSDAYS		Meeting Room
January 28	Regular Meeting	Business Centre Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall)
February 25	Working Session	
March 31	Regular Meeting	Business Centre Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall)
April 28	Working Session	
May 26	Regular Meeting	Business Centre Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall)
June 16	Working Session	
July 7	Regular Meeting	Business Centre Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall)
August - no meeting		
September 15	Working Session	
October 13	Regular Meeting	Business Centre Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall)
November 10	Regular Meeting	Business Centre Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall)
December 8	Working Session	

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 7. New Business

### a) Vancouver Police Department Survey

Chase Willier discussed the letter from the VPD that was circulated to the Committee asking for input for the Strategic Plan for 2016-2020. Committee members were asked to email their input to Chase Willier by Monday, November 30, 2015, so that it could be compiled and sent to the VDP.

Members were also encouraged to fill out the individual survey attached to this initiative.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by H  l  ne Frohard-Dourlent  
SECONDED by Brendan Bailey

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee adjourned at 7:17 pm.

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