



## OLDER PERSONS AND ELDERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

September 20, 2024

A meeting of the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee was held on Friday, September 20, 2024, at 10:01 AM, via electronic means.

**PRESENT:** Marc White, Chair  
Susan Scott Gabe, Vice-Chair  
Sana Aziz  
Warren Chan  
Richard Earthy  
Varouj Gumuchian  
Linda Johnston\*  
Dale Lutes  
Andrea Sara  
Tricia Sirrs  
Kara Turner

**ABSENT:** Andrea Krombein (Leave of Absence)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Trustee Jennifer Reddy, Vancouver School Board Liaison  
Mark Koep, Vancouver Public Library Liaison  
Anthony Kupferschmidt, Strategic Lead, Aging and Older Persons, Staff Liaison  
Diane Gibney, Alternate Member  
Marion Pollack, Alternate Member  
Tasia Alexis, Member, Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Julie Emmerson, Committee Clerk

\*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

### WELCOME

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Peoples. We thank them for having cared for this land and look forward to working with them in partnership as we continue to build this great city together.

### Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Richard Earthy  
SECONDED by Varouj Gumuchian

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee approve a leave of absence for Andrea Krombein for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **Approval of Minutes**

MOVED by Richard Earthy  
SECONDED by Dale Lutes

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of Friday, July 19, 2024, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **1. Motions**

MOVED by Richard Earthy  
SECONDED by Varouj Gumuchian

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee recommend that Council support City-funded Older Persons and Elders Lunch-and-Learn sessions across the City of Vancouver, meeting with Vancouver Park Board, Public Library, Police, Fire, School Board, City Staff and Vancouver Coastal Health. This is similar to programs offered in New Westminster, Richmond and Surrey (estimated budget \$30,000).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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### **VARY AGENDA**

MOVED by Varouj Gumuchian  
SECONDED by Kara Turner

*THAT the Committee vary the agenda to hear item 3: Liaison Updates before item 2: Chair and Vice-Chair Report.*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY  
THE REQUIRED MAJORITY**

*For ease of reference, the minutes are recorded in chronological order.*

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### **3. Liaison Updates**

The Staff Liaison circulated written updates prior to the meeting, provided additional verbal updates and responded to questions and comments.

The Vancouver School Board Liaison provided updates and responded to questions and comments.

The Vancouver Public Library Liaison provided updates and responded to questions and comments.

The Committee discussed potentially supporting a motion passed by the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee.

## **2. Chair and Vice-Chair Report**

The Chair and Vice-Chair provided reports and responded to questions and comments.

## **4. Subcommittee Updates**

Subcommittee Leads provided updates and the Committee engaged in discussion.

## **5. New Business**

The Committee discussed upcoming events related to Older Persons and Elders.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Richard Earthy  
SECONDED by Susan Scott Gabe

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **Next Meeting:**

DATE: Friday, November 22, 2024  
TIME: 10:00 am  
PLACE: Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall  
/ Webex Online

The Committee adjourned at 11:50 am.

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