



OLDER PERSONS AND ELDERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

November 24, 2023

A meeting of the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee was held on Friday, November 24, 2023, at 10:00, in the Joe Wai Room, Ground Floor, City Hall, and via electronic means.

PRESENT: Marc White, Chair
Susan Scott Gabe, Vice- Chair
Richard Earthy
Varouj Gumuchian
Linda Johnston
Andrea Krombein
Anthony Kupferschmidt
Dale Lutes
Andrea Sara
Tricia Sirrs
Richard Earthy
Kara Turner

ABSENT Sana Aziz (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Christine Boyle, Council Liaison
Belle Cheung, Senior Manager, Business Planning and Project Support, Staff Liaison
Tasia Alexis, Member, Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee
Diane Gibney, Alternate Committee Member
Marion Pollack, Alternate Committee Member

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Kirsty Colquhoun, Committee Clerk

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 Varouj Gumuchian
SECONDED by Dale Lutes

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee approve a leave of absence request from Sana Aziz from the meeting on, November 24, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Linda Johnston
SECONDED by Anthony Kupferschmidt

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of Friday, September 22, 2023, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Approval of the Consent agenda

MOVED by Richard Earthy
SECONDED by Kara Turner

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee approve the Consent Agenda as presented at the November 24, 2023, regular meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Regular Business

None.

3. Liaison Updates

Council Liaison provided updates on the following and responded to questions:

- Mayor's Budget Task Force Final Report going to the [November 28, 2023 Council](#) meeting.
- [2024 Capital and Operating Budget](#) Report going to the December 5, 2023, [Special Council \(2024 Budget\)](#) meeting.
- Councillor Fry's motion entitled "[Advancing Britannia Renewal](#)", which was heard at the [November 1, 2023, Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities](#) meeting.
- Provided information on the [Property Tax Deferment Program](#).

Staff Liaison provided updates on the recently recruited Seniors Planner and responded to questions.

A member of the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee provided updates on the Accessibility Committee and responded to questions.

4. Motions

MOVED by Richard Earthy
SECONDED by Anthony Kupferschmidt

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee appoint Dale Lutes as a representative to the Accessibility Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Richard Earthy
SECONDED by Linda Johnston

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee approve a letter of support regarding the Social Planning and Research Council of B.C.'s submission for the "New Horizons Federal Grant".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Linda Johnston
SECONDED by Varouj Gumuchian

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee confirm the approval of the Chair Marc White to address concerns to Council at the November 16, 2023, Public Hearing regarding [Rezoning Application 6065-6075 Collingwood Place](#).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Richard Earthy
SECONDED by Linda Johnston

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee support in principle the Racial and Ethno-Cultural Equity Advisory Committee's (RECE) [Motion](#) regarding improving interactions with the health care system, which was passed at the November 9, 2023, RECE meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Social Isolation and Loneliness Pilot Project – Concept and Steering Committee Prospects.

The Vice-Chair provided information on the Social Isolation and Loneliness Pilot Project, and responded to questions from the Committee.

6. Work Plan Discussion

The Committee engaged in discussion about the Work Plan and agreed to approve and submit the Work Plan at the first Committee meeting in January 2024.

7. Subcommittee Updates

Subcommittee Chairs provided updates on their respective Subcommittees and responded to questions.

8. New Business

The Committee discussed issues related to communication with seniors and information accessibility, specifically in relation to [3-1-1](#).

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Richard Earthy
SECONDED by Dale Lutes

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Friday, January 26, 2024
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall
/ Webex Online

The Committee adjourned at 12:06 pm.

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