



SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

January 10, 2020

A meeting of the Seniors' Advisory Committee was held on Friday, January 10, 2020, at 10:06 am, in Joe Wai Meeting Room (formerly Town Hall), Room 110, Main Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Colleen McGuinness, Chair
Donna Clarke
Beatrice Ho
Dellie Lidyard
Dale Lutes
Scott Ricker, Vice-Chair
Kala Singh
Eric Szeto
Jacqueline Weiler
Marc White
Callie Wong

ABSENT: Monica Camporese (Leave of Absence)
Najmah Mohamed (Leave of Absence)
Romy Senghera (Leave of Absence)
Vernon Wang (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Christine Boyle, Council Liaison
Commissioner Tricia Barker, Park Board Liaison
Trustee Janet Fraser, School Board Liaison
Karen Liebel, Coordinator, Accessible Services, VPL
Laura Mackenrot, Persons with Disabilities Advisory
Committee Liaison
Tasia Alexis, Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee
Liaison

GUEST: Chris Morrissey, Past Advisory Member

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Kathy Bengston, Committee Clerk

WELCOME

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tseil-Waututh Nations.

Roundtable Introductions

The Chair welcomed Kala Singh, new member, and led a roundtable introduction.

The Vice Chair recognized past member, Chris Morrissey, on receiving the Order of Canada.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Jacquie Weiler
SECONDED by Scott Ricker

THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee approve leaves of absence for Monica Camporese, Najma Mohamed, Romy Senghera and Vernon Wang, for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes – November 8, 2019

MOVED by Donna Clarke
SECONDED by Dale Lutes

THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of November 8, 2019, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Presentation – Granville Bridge Connector

Paul Krueger, Transportation Design, provided an update on the bridge connector phase 3, including improvements to the bridge, challenges, engagement timeline, public engagement, and preferred option, and responded to questions.

Brian Gould, Transportation Design, provided an update on Drake Street phase 2, including phase 1 highlights, recommended design option, and next steps, and responded to questions.

The Project website can be found at the following link: <https://vancouver.ca/granvilleconnector>

2. Liaison Updates

Councillor Christine Boyle, Council Liaison, provided brief updates on the following:

- 2020 Capital and Operating Budget approved including climate emergency targets, arts and culture plan, firefighters mental health support, and infrastructure upkeeps;
- Oppenheimer Tent City; and
- Housing

Commissioner Tricia Barker, Park Board Liaison, provided brief updates on the following:

- 2020 Service Plan Operating & Capital Budgets approved;
- Washroom improvements;
- Oppenheimer Park;
- Golf Courses.

Trustee Janet Fraser, School Board Liaison, provided brief updates on the following:

- Climate emergency declaration;
- Long range facilities planning;
- Food program at schools;
- Track and field facilities;
- Transportation safety for students;
- New nondiscrimination policy;
- The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples;
- Vaping;
- Health and suicide prevention; and
- Student success graduation rates.

Karen Liebel, VPL Liaison, shared information on the strategic in-process plan for the library, which includes planning for children services, seniors, and people with disabilities. She also shared the following upcoming events: Lunar New Year, Friends of VPL Book Sale, Mount Pleasant matinee classic movie screenings, and classes in multiple device essentials.

3. Council of Councils Event

The Chair led a roundtable discussion and provided input on the Committee's presentation at the January 13, 2020, event, which they will be presenting. The Chair also asked about parking fees reimbursements for the event, which Councillor Boyle will follow-up on.

4. Sub-committee Reports

a. Housing

Marc White reported on the Council approved motion on accessible housing needs, and the geo-mapping project of the city's housing, by using its data for future planning.

The Chair made reference to an article, *Vancouver Looks Poised to Sell off False Creek South*, which Councillor Boyle provided details.

A Committee member enquired on the status of the False Creek South leases. Councillor Boyle responded.

b. Transportation and Mobility

Laura Mackenrot, Vice-Chair, Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee, provided an update on the new HandyDART system, which includes the new in-person application screening, followed by discussion.

MOVED by Dale Lutes
SECONDED by Jacquie Weiler

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Senior's Advisory Committee Chair write a letter to Translink CEO and Board, in support of the motion from the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee, pertaining to the new HandyDART in-person application screening.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Dale Lutes
SECONDED by Jacquie Weiler

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee Chair write a letter to Translink CEO and Board, and other interested parties, regarding the Millennium Line Broadway extension accessibility features, with emphasis on accessible public washrooms and dual elevators.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c. Engagement

No report.

d. Persons with Disabilities

See Transportation and Mobility Sub-committee report.

5. New Business

The Chair shared a request from the External Relations & Protocol Office for planning volunteer(s) for the International Women's Day event. In discussion, Committee members, Beatrice Ho and Jacquie Weiler, volunteered, and will provide intersectionality feedback in the planning of the event.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Dale Lutes
SECONDED by Scott Ricker

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Regular Meeting:

DATE: Friday, March 6, 2020
TIME: 10 am
PLACE: Joe Wai Meeting Room (formerly Town
Hall)
Room 110, Main Floor, City Hall

Next Working Session:

DATE: Friday, February 7, 2020
TIME: 10 am
PLACE: Joe Wai Meeting Room (formerly Town
Hall)
Room 110, Main Floor, City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 12:15 pm.

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