



SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

September 15, 2017

A meeting of the Seniors' Advisory Committee was held on Friday, September 15, 2017, at 10:03 am, in Town Hall Room 115, Main Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Colleen McGuinness, Chair
Monica Camporese
Thomas Crean*
Eddy Elmer
Clemencia Gomez*
Beatrice Ho
Anthony Kupferschmidt
Gudrun Langolf*
Dellie Lidyard
Dale Lutes
Ashok Puri
Jacqueline Weiler

ABSENT: Scott Ricker (Leave of Absence)
Elaine Wass (Leave of Absence)
Honghao Zu

ALSO PRESENT: Winston Chou, Engineering Services, Staff Liaison
Lisa Grant, Vancouver Public Library
Chris Morrissey, Past Chair, Seniors' Advisory Committee
Laura Mackenrot, Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee Liaison

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Terri Burke, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Dellie Lidyard
SECONDED by Jacqueline Weiler

THAT Scott Ricker and Elaine Wass be granted Leaves of Absence for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Thomas Crean and Clemencia Gomez absent for the vote)

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Beatrice Ho
SECONDED by Dale Lutes

THAT the minutes of the Seniors' Advisory Committee meeting held July 21, 2017, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Thomas Crean and Clemencia Gomez absent for the vote)

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Vary Agenda

*MOVED by Dale Lutes
SECONDED by Anthony Kupferschmidt*

THAT the Committee vary the order of the agenda to deal with items 5 and 4, prior to item 1.

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Thomas Crean and Clemencia Gomez absent for the vote)*

For clarity, the minutes are recorded in chronological order.

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5. Approval of Letters to City Council

MOVED by Gudrun Langolf

SECONDED by Anthony Kupferschmidt

THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee approves the Committee's letters regarding Casa Mia, Pearson Dogwood, and First Baptist Church, all of which were previously distributed to City Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Thomas Crean and Clemencia Gomez absent for the vote)

4. Approval of Final 2017-2018 Work Plan

MOVED by Dellie Lidyard

SECONDED by Jacqueline Weiler

THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee approves its amended 2017-2018 Work Plan. The final Work Plan appears on the City's website: <http://vancouver.ca/docs/council/sadv20170721agItem1.pdf>

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Thomas Crean absent for the vote)

The Committee discussed the Council of Councils meeting taking place on October 12, 2017, and noted a poster will need to be made which includes some of the accomplishments and goals of the Committee. The Committee agreed to speak about the need for city-wide public washrooms at the event.

1. Subcommittee Updates

Dellie Lidyard provided an update for the Transportation Subcommittee, noting washrooms, parking and drop-off zones as areas of concern.

Monica Camporese informed the Committee of a survey she was asked to participate in regarding driving and noted her concerns with the survey. She agreed to draft a letter in response to the survey for the Committee to review.

Beatrice Ho provided an update for the Engagement Subcommittee, noting the Strawberry Festival, a site inspection of the Killarney Seniors' Centre, and a grant for education on how to manage chronic pain.

The Committee requested their Staff Liaison to arrange for a senior Parks and Recreation staff member to attend a future Committee meeting to speak about upcoming community centre proposals which affect seniors.

2. Liaison Reports

Lisa Grant, Vancouver Public Library, provided information on VPL events regarding National Seniors Day on October 1, 2017.

Winston Chou, Engineering Services, Staff Liaison, responded to questions regarding signage, pedestrian crossings, Stanley Park traffic and roadways, and cyclists using the walking paths.

3. Update - Social Isolation and Loneliness Among Seniors (SILAS)

Eddy Elmer provided a presentation on the Social Isolation and Loneliness Among Seniors Project, noting the following: isolation versus loneliness, causes, impacts, strategies to reduce isolation and loneliness, and recommendations. Mr. Elmer also responded to questions.

6. New Business

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Dale Lutes
SECONDED by Dellie Lidyard

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Gudrun Langolf absent for the vote)

Next Working Session:

DATE: Friday, October 20, 2017
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: Town Hall Meeting Room
Main Floor, City Hall

Next Meeting:

DATE: Friday, November 17, 2017
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: Town Hall Meeting Room
Main Floor, City Hall

The Committee adjourned 12:00 pm.

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