A meeting of the Seniors' Advisory Committee was held on Friday, May 11, 2018, at 10:05 am, in the Business Centre, Second Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Colleen McGuinness, Chair
Monica Camporese
Thomas Crean
Beatrice Ho
Anthony Kupferschmidt*
Dellie Lidyard
Dale Lutes
Scott Ricker, Vice-Chair
Elaine Wass
Jacqueline Weiler*

ABSENT: Clemencia Gomez (Leave of Absence)
Gudrun Langolf (Leave of Absence)
Eddy Elmer (Leave of Absence)
Ashok Puri

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Elizabeth Ball, Council Liaison
Winston Chou, Manager, Traffic and Data Management, Staff Liaison
Chris Morrissey, Past Chair, Seniors’ Advisory Committee

CITY CLERK’S OFFICE: Terri Burke, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Beatrice Ho
SECONDED by Dale Lutes

THAT Clemencia Gomez, Gudrun Langolf, and Eddy Elmer be granted Leaves of Absence for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Anthony Kupferschmidt and Jacqueline Weiler absent for the vote)
Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Dellie Lidyard
SECONDED by Dale Lutes

THAT the minutes of the Seniors’ Advisory Committee meeting held March 16, 2018, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Anthony Kupferschmidt and Jacqueline Weiler absent for the vote)

1. Liaison Reports

Due to time constraints, this item was dealt with informally after the meeting adjourned.

2. Subcommittee Reports

a. Housing – Scott Ricker

None.

b. Transportation – Dellie Lidyard

Dellie Lidyard informed the Committee that the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee (PDAC) noted that HandyDart will be receiving a new service provider soon and PDAC will be providing feedback and recommendations to TransLink regarding the HandyDart Service. She also noted the escalators at the Granville Skytrain are being replaced and the replacement could take up to two years.

Committee members and liaisons spoke about their continued concerns with construction on West 10th Avenue. Winston Chou, staff liaison, agreed to follow-up with City staff.

Monica Camporese noted her concerns with the recent Seniors’ Advocate release entitled “Seniors Transportation: Affordable, Appropriate and Available”. Scott Ricker also noted the media did not ask questions at the meeting where the report was released. Councillor Ball offered to meet with any Committee members who would like to discuss a media strategy for seniors’ issues.

Ms. Camporese and Dale Lutes agreed to draft a letter regarding the Seniors’ Advocate report and bring it to the Committee at the next meeting.

c. Engagement – Beatrice Ho

Beatrice Ho noted she toured the new Killarney Seniors Centre and thought it was beautiful. The Centre’s grand opening is June 28, 2018. She also noted Council's decision at the May 1, 2018, Regular Council meeting regarding the Cambie Corridor Phase 3 Plan. Link to Minutes for Approved Motion (page 9) http://council.vancouver.ca/20180501/documents/regular20180501min.pdf

d. Social Isolation and Loneliness Among Seniors (SILAS) - Eddy Elmer

The Chair provided an update noting Eddy Elmer will be presenting the Committee’s SILAS Report at the 27th Annual John K. Friesen Conference, to be held May 16-17 at Simon Fraser University, Harbour Centre Campus.

The Chair also noted concerns with the brochure for the SILAS report. It was agreed that the Committee would print their own brochure and the staff liaison would provide the final copy to City staff for their reference.

e. Dogwood - Colleen McGuinness

None.

f. Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee Update

The Committee applauded the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee for their efforts on the recent “City of Vancouver Accessibility Strategy” motion which was passed at the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on May 2, 2018.

3. Development Adjacent to Vancouver Hospice

Steven Roberts, Jane Wong and Cory Chaplin, representatives from the Vancouver Hospice, discussed the proposed townhouse development at 4575 Granville Street, which is adjacent to the hospice. They noted their key concerns; including parking and access, privacy, obstructed view, noise and possible closure, and steps they are taking to gain support so the development does not happen.

The Committee provided suggestions on moving forward and the representatives from the Vancouver Hospice responded to questions.
VARY AGENDA

MOVED by Monica Camporese
SECONDED by Elaine Wass

THAT the Committee vary the agenda in order to deal with New Business a) Parking By-law next.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

For clarity, the minutes are recorded in chronological order.

8. New Business

a) Parking By-law

John Turecki, Engineering, and Jennifer Draper, Manager, Parking Management, discussed updates to the parking by-law to achieve some 2040 transportation objectives, including timelines, key considerations, engagement plan and next steps.

Mr. Turecki and Ms. Drapper listened to concerns and responded to questions. They agreed to send the Committee a survey regarding the parking by-law and come back to a future meeting to discuss the proposed updates further.

4. Healthy City Strategy – Solutions Lab

The Chair discussed the “Healthy City Strategy – Solutions Lab” (info sheet distributed and on file) and noted staff requested representatives from the Committee to participate in the initiative. Beatrice Ho, Anthony Kupferschmidt, Monica Camporese and Dale Lutes agreed to make themselves available to represent the Committee.

5. Mobility Pricing Letter

The Committee briefly discussed Mobility Pricing.

MOVED by Jacqueline Weiler
SECONDED by Dale Lutes

THAT the Seniors’ Advisory Committee approve sending a letter regarding Mobility Pricing to the Mobility Pricing Independent Commission, with copies to TransLink, and the Mayors’ Council on Regional Transportation, as discussed at the April 20, 2018, working session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
6. Redevelopment at West 8th Avenue and Birch Street

Due to time constraints, this item was postponed to the June 15, 2018, Working Session.

7. Outdoor Lighting Strategy

Due to time constraints, this item was dealt with informally after the meeting adjourned.

8. New Business (continued)

b) Jim Deva Plaza Accessible Washroom

The Committee discussed the continued lack of a fully accessible washroom at the Jim Deva Plaza. The staff liaison agreed to provide the date when the washroom will be available.

Adjournment

MOVED by Dellie Lidyard
SECONDED by Scott Ricker

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Working Session:

DATE: Friday, June 15, 2018
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: Town Hall Meeting Room
       Main Floor, City Hall

Next Meeting:

DATE: Friday, July 20, 2018
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: Town Hall Meeting Room
       Main Floor, City Hall

The Committee adjourned 12:05 pm.

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