



## SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

**JUNE 5, 2020**

A meeting of the Seniors' Advisory Committee was held on June 5, 2020, at 10:08 am, by electronic means.

**PRESENT:** Colleen McGuinness, Chair  
Monica Camporese  
Donna Clarke  
Beatrice Ho\*  
Dellie Lidyard  
Dale Lutes  
Najmah Mohamed  
Romy Senghera  
Kala Singh  
Vernon Wang  
Jacqueline Weiler  
Marc White  
Callie Wong

**ABSENT:** Scott Ricker, Vice-Chair (Leave of Absence)  
Eric Szeto

**ALSO PRESENT:** Councillor Jean Swanson, Council Liaison  
Commissioner Tricia Barker, Park Board Liaison  
Trustee Janet Fraser, School Board Liaison  
Winston Chou, Manager, Traffic and Data Management,  
Staff Liaison  
Susan Mele, Acting Recreation Manager, West Region  
Karen Liebel, Coordinator, Accessible Services, Vancouver  
Public Library  
Laura Mackenrot, Persons with Disabilities Advisory  
Committee Liaison

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Kathy Bengston, Committee Clerk

\*Denotes absent for a portion of the meeting.

### WELCOME

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

## **Leave of Absence Requests**

MOVED by Beatrice Ho  
SECONDED by Dellie Lidyard

THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee approve Leave of Absence for Scott Ricker for today's meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **Approval of Minutes**

MOVED by Dale Lutes  
SECONDED by Beatrice Ho

THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of March 6, 2020, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **1. Universal and Inclusive Design (Feasibility Study)**

Danica Djurkovic, Director of Facilities Planning and Development, provided opening remarks on the Universal and Inclusive Design feasibility study. Venus Vane, Project Manager, Facilities Planning, along with Aiden Callison, and Fiona Jones, Consultants, HCMA Architecture + Design, presented their completed study in support of Capital Plan project upgrades to identify and prioritize work required to renovate, upgrade, and remove barriers in 31 City-owned facilities, to improve accessibility and provide universal and inclusive design.

### **2. Mobility and Public Life Response & Recovery Initiatives**

Lisa Parker, Branch Manager, Street Activities, provided opening remarks regarding the mobility and public life response and recovery initiatives. Katherine Glowacz, Team Lead, Transportation Design Branch, and Brian Gould, Civil Engineer, Transportation Design Branch, provided a presentation on the City of Vancouver's response initiatives, and public life recovery in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **3. Places for People: Downtown Public Space Strategy – Letter of Support**

MOVED by Dale Lutes  
SECONDED by Donna Clarke

THAT The Seniors' Advisory Committee supports the staff report entitled "Places for People: Downtown Public Space Strategy", scheduled for the City Council meeting on June 9, 2020.

FURTHER THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee provide a letter to City Staff in this regard.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Beatrice Ho absent for the vote)

### **4. Liaison Updates**

Commissioner Barker, Park Board Liaison, provided an update on the Stanley Park road closures, and noted community support for public input at the next Park Board committee meeting regarding re-opening options during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

MOVED by Callie Wong  
SECONDED by Romy Senghera

THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee request that the Park Board refer the motion entitled "Exploring Options to Reduce Motor Vehicle Traffic in Stanley Park" to a Committee meeting to allow the public to voice their comments and concerns prior to the motion being referred to staff;

FURTHER THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee request that the Committee meeting only be scheduled for when the Park Board meetings are fully accessible to everyone;

AND FURTHER THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee send a letter to the Park Board in regard to this request.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Beatrice Ho absent for the vote)

Councillor Swanson, Council Liaison, provided a brief update on social housing preservation, and the Seniors' Advisory Committee Housing Subcommittee advocacy.

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

- The COVID-19 Pandemic response;
- Students returning to school part-time;
- [Build to Learn survey completed](#).

Karen Liebel, Coordinator, Accessible Services, Vancouver Public Library, provided updates on The phase 2 gradual re-opening of the central library, which includes a public computer lab, takeout orders, an increase in eBooks and audiobooks, virtual ESL conversation circles, and book clubs. Karen also noted an upcoming virtual event on Indigenous storytelling, which will be held on June 18, 2020.

Winston Chou, Manager, Traffic and Data Management, provided an update on the City's COVID-19 Pandemic response in relation to transportation, which included improving safety for local streets, and the Hastings-Sunrise Adanac Overpass traffic calming program.

## **5. Subcommittee Updates**

### **a. Housing**

Marc White provided a summary on the cumulative impact of the Seniors' Advisory Committee's submissions and presentations to Council on the following three motions that could potentially impact senior social housing:

1. Motion to Rescind Motion to Include C-2 zones in Rental Housing Stock Official Development Plan;
2. Motion Recalibrating the Housing Vancouver Strategy post COVID-19;
3. Motion Defining Social Housing Consistently and Transparently in the City of Vancouver.

Marc also presented five additional recommendations for the Seniors' Advisory Committee's consideration.

### **b. Transportation and Mobility**

Dellie Lidyard, provided an update on the Transportation and Mobility Subcommittee in the form of a report sent to the Chair. The Chair will circulate the report to the committee members following the meeting.

### **c. Engagement**

None.

### **d. Persons with Disabilities**

Laura Mackenrot, Vice-Chair, Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee, shared information on her attendance at the Food Policy Council meeting held on June 4, 2020.

## **6. New Business**

### **a) Accessibility Task Force Update**

The Chair noted that there is a vacancy for the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee representative on the Accessibility Task Force. A committee representative was identified and will be put forward for consideration at a future meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Dale Lutes  
SECONDED by Dellie Lidyard

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Beatrice Ho absent for the vote)

### **Next Regular Meeting:**

DATE: September 4, 2020  
TIME: 10:00 am  
PLACE: Webex Online

### **Next Working Session:**

DATE: July 3, 2020  
TIME: 10:00 am  
PLACE: Webex Online

The Committee adjourned at 1:03 pm.

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