A meeting of the Urban Aboriginal Peoples’ Advisory Committee was held on Monday, June 29, 2015, at 5:37 pm, in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT: Steven Eastman, Co-Chair
Lillian Howard, Co-Chair
Kim Harvey*
Penny Kerrigan
Rennie Nahanee*
Lyana Patrick
Patricia Sayer
Brittany Southgate
Winona Stevens, Vice-Chair

ABSENT: Kris Archie (Leave of Absence)
Michelle Casavant (Leave of Absence)
Sheldon Martin (Leave of Absence)
David Wells (Leave of Absence)
Justin Wiebe (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Adriane Carr, Council Liaison
Councillor Andrea Reimer, Council Liaison
Commissioner Catherine Evans, Vancouver Park Board
Wendy Au, Assistant City Manager
Ginger Gosnell-Myers, Aboriginal Planner
Diana Day, Vancouver Coastal Health

CITY CLERK’S OFFICE: Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Lyana Patrick
SECONDED by Rennie Nahanee

THAT Kris Archie, Michelle Casavant, Sheldon Martin, David Wells and Justin Wiebe be granted leaves of absence for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Brittany Southgate
SECONDED by Kim Harvey

THAT the minutes of the Urban Aboriginal Peoples’ Advisory Committee meeting of April 20, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Following due process, the following members were elected until the end of the Committee’s term in February 2017:

- Steven Eastman, Co-Chair
- Lillian Howard, Co-Chair
- Winona Stevens, Vice-Chair

The Committee agreed to revisit the possibility of a second Vice-Chair at a future date if requested by a member.

2. Discussion of Council Motion “City of Vancouver Action on Truth and Reconciliation Commission Recommendations”

In discussion, it was noted that Park Board was not included in the motion adopted by Council regarding “City of Vancouver Action on Truth and Reconciliation Recommendations”. Commissioner Evans, Vancouver Park Board, explained that since the Vancouver Park Board is the only independent, elected Park Board in Canada, the Vancouver Park Board would have to make its own motion on this matter.

Following discussion, it was

MOVED by Penny Kerrigan
SECONDED by Winona Stevens

THAT the Urban Aboriginal Peoples’ Advisory Committee request the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation adopt the motion approved by Vancouver City Council on June 23, 2015, entitled “City of Vancouver Action on Truth and Reconciliation Commission Recommendations”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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The Committee agreed to move on to item 3 until Councillor Reimer arrived in order to give her an opportunity to speak about the motion.

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The Committee agreed to host a one-day working session on September 13, 2015, with the City to review the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s recommendations, to ascertain which actions municipalities can address.

3. Workplan

Co-Chair Eastman reviewed the last working session on May 11, 2015, and noted the Committee should have another meeting shortly to make refine ideas from the first meeting.

Following discussion, the Committee agreed that the following categories would be a good start for a workplan session:

- Children, Youth and Families
- City of Reconciliation
- Housing and Affordability
- Service and Service Availability
- Missing and Murdered Women
- Healthy City Strategy

At this point in the meeting, the Committee agreed to continue with item 2 since Councillor Reimer had arrived.

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4. Elected and Staff Liaison Reports

Councillor Reimer reported on the Women’s World Cup Fanzone and noted that there was an event on National Aboriginal Day where soccer and celebration of Aboriginal culture were brought together.

Commissioner Evans provided an update on the Portuguese Joe Stanley Park event.
5. 2015 Meeting Schedule

Following discussion, the Committee agreed to have a working session on June 7, 2015, in order to plan for a one-day session on September 13, 2015, to review the Truth and Reconciliation Commission suggestions.

6. New Business

a. Leave of Absence for Emily Tait

MOVED by Winona Stevens
SECONDED by Lyana Patrick

THAT Emily Tait be granted a leave of absence for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Kim Harvey and Rennie Nahanea absent for the vote)

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Penny Kerrigan
SECONDED by Patricia Sayer

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Kim Harvey absent for the vote)

Next Meeting:

DATE: September 21, 2015
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Committee Room 1
       Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 7:57 pm.

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