



**URBAN ABORIGINAL PEOPLES' ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

**November 23, 2015**

A meeting of the Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Advisory Committee was held on November 23, 2015, at 5:40 pm, in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Steven Eastman, Co-Chair  
Lillian Howard, Co-Chair  
Kris Archie  
Kim Harvey  
Penny Kerrigan  
Rennie Nahanee  
Patricia Sayer\*  
Brittany Southgate  
Winona Stevens  
David Wells  
Justin Wiebe

**ABSENT:** Michelle Casavant (Leave of Absence)  
Sheldon Martin (Leave of Absence)  
Lyana Patrick (Leave of Absence)  
Winona Stevens, Vice Chair

**ALSO PRESENT:** Councillor Adriane Carr, Council Liaison  
Councillor Andrea Reimer, Council Liaison  
Ginger Gosnell-Myers, Aboriginal Planner  
jil weaving, Parks and Recreation

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

\*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting

**Leave of Absence Requests**

MOVED by Kris Archie  
SECONDED by David Wells

THAT the Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Advisory Committee approve leaves of absence for Michelle Casavant, Sheldon Martin, and Lyana Patrick for the November 23, 2015 meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Patricia Sayer absent for the vote)

## Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Kim Harvey  
SECONDED by Kris Archie

THAT the minutes of the September 21, 2015, Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Advisory Committee meeting be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Patricia Sayer absent for the vote)

### 1. 2016 Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule

MOVED by Justin Wiebe  
SECONDED by David Wells

THAT regular Meetings of the Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Advisory Committee be held on the following days, at 5:30 pm:

- Monday, January 18, 2016
- Thursday, March 3, 2016
- Monday, April 25, 2016
- Thursday, June 9, 2016
- Monday, September 19, 2016
- Thursday, December 1, 2016

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Patricia Sayer absent for the vote)

### 2. Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women/Violence Against Women

Co-Chair Howard provided an update, noting she is attending as a member of the Missing and Murdered Women Coalition, and is also reporting to the Urban Aboriginal People's Advisory Committee on the Coalition meetings. She noted that the landscape has changed substantially with the election of a new Federal Government and requested that one or two members attend meetings with her in order to represent the Committee.

MOVED by Penny Kerrigan  
SECONDED by Kris Archie

THAT a subcommittee called "Missing and Murdered Women Subcommittee" be struck with the mandate to attend a Missing and Murdered Women's Coalition meeting, and report back to on ways the Committee can best support the Coalition;

FURTHER THAT the following be appointed as members of the Subcommittee:

- Kris Archie
- Lillian Howard
- Penny Kerrigan
- Rennie Nahanee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Co-Chair Howard agreed to send out the information for the next Coalition meeting.

MOVED by Penny Kerrigan  
SECONDED by David Wiebe

THAT the Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Advisory Committee compose a letter of introduction to send to all Vancouver Members of Parliament.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Co-Chair Eastman and Penny Kerrigan agreed to draft and circulate the letter via e-mail to the Committee prior to sending it to local Members of Parliament.

### 3. Liaison Updates

#### a. *Parks and Recreation*

jil weaving, Parks and Recreation, provided an update on the Elders in Arts program, and noted that the Park Board is working with the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations to build a new relationship around land, with particular respect to First Nations archaeological sites.

#### b. *Council Liaison*

Councillor Reimer, Council Liaison, updated the Committee on Council meetings with the Federal Government, recent staff reports to Council, and noted that the 2016 Budget will be publicly available shortly. She also noted that Council is holding face-to-face meetings with the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

#### c. *Staff Liaison*

Ginger Gosnell-Myers, Aboriginal Planner, provided an update on her work noting there are currently about 70 City projects that will have an effect, directly or indirectly, on Aboriginal communities. She also noted that Reconciliation Canada will be inviting members to a dialogue in January, and that the follow-up report to Council on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's recommendations will be presented in the new year.

### 4. New Business

#### a. *Canada 150*

Co-Chair Eastman noted that he and Penny Kerrigan had met with Cultural Services staff who requested their input on the Canada 150 Celebrations. Mr. Eastman provided an overview of what they had suggested and noted that City proposals had to be in by the end of this year in order to get Federal funding.

*b. DTES Street Market*

In response to an member's enquiry regarding media coverage about the DTES Street Market, Councillor Reimer noted that staff have been available to help street vendors move their wares, and that since DTES street vendors are quite vulnerable to theft or violence, there has been a police presence in the area in case police assistance is needed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Justin Wiebe  
SECONDED by Kim Harvey

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Next Meeting:**

DATE: Monday, January 18, 2016  
TIME: Committee Room 1  
PLACE: Third Floor  
Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 7:54 pm.

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