



VANCOUVER FOOD POLICY COUNCIL

MINUTES

September 28, 2023

A meeting of the Vancouver Food Policy Council was held on Thursday, September 28, 2023, at 5:38 pm, in the Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall, and via electronic means.

PRESENT: Michelle Reining, Co-Chair
Kae Yee Tsai*, Co-Chair
Charlyn Black
Leona Brown*
Jordan Bultitude
Emily Burkholder
Robert Clark
Ashley Dawson
Katherine Feng
Liana Glass*
Bree Hayden
Michael Kurtz
Yael Stav
Lillian Yin

ABSENT: Hailey Dermont
Sharon Dong (Leave of Absence)
Ananya Huria
Victoria Sunwoo
Taelyr Keeley (Sick Leave)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Adriane Carr, Council Liaison
Jason Shieh, Social Planner, Social Policy and Projects
Division, Arts, Culture and Community Services, Staff
Liaison
Caitlyn Harrison, Planning Analyst, Vancouver Park Board

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Bonnie Kennett, Meeting Coordinator

WELCOME

The Meeting Coordinator acknowledged we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Peoples. We thank them for having cared for this land and look forward to working with them in partnership as we continue to build this great city together.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Charlyn Black
SECONDED by Katherine Feng

THAT the Vancouver Food Policy Council approves a leave of absence for Sharon Dong.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Leona Brown absent for the vote)

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Charlyn Black
SECONDED by Bree Hayden

THAT the Vancouver Food Policy Council approve the Minutes from the meeting of Thursday, July 27, 2023, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Leona Brown absent for the vote)

1. Chair/Vice-Chair Appointment

MOVED by Robert Clark
SECONDED by Bree Hayden

THAT the Vancouver Food Policy Council (VFPC) appoint Michelle Reining and Kae Yee Tsai as Co-Chairs for the duration of the term ending December 31, 2024;

FURTHER THAT the VFPC appoint Charlyn Black and Emily Burkholder as administrative support team members for the duration of the term ending December 31, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Leona Brown absent for the vote)

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At this point in the meeting, Michelle Reining assumed the Chair.

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2. Liaison Updates

Council Liaison, Staff Liaison, and Vancouver Park Board representative provided updates and responded to questions and comments.

3. Reflections from 2021-22 VFPC

Staff Liaison, provided an overview of activities of the previous term of the VFPC. The Council discussed the priorities for the current term and postponed further planning to the Working Session on November 2, 2023.

4. November 2 Working Session: Topics and Objectives

Staff Liaison agreed to set up a meeting with the administrative team prior to the November 2, 2023, Working Session to plan and organize the Working Session.

5. Council Working Logistics Update

The Council discussed the use of SharePoint. The Meeting Coordinator agreed to follow up with the Acting Manager, Civic Agencies, regarding access to SharePoint.

6. New Business

a) Upcoming Public Talks

- **Can healthier diets help our planet?**

Featuring Dr. Michael Klaper, Dr. Navin Ramankutty, Dr. Jade Dittaro & Ms. Chantelle Archambault, moderated by Dr. Charlyn Black

Date: Thursday, October 26, 2023

Time: 7 pm

Place: [UBC Robson Square](#), Theater (C300), 800 Robson Street, Vancouver

- **What I wish my doctor had learned in medical school: Eating as if your health depends upon it!**

Featuring Dr. Michael Klaper, founder [Moving Medicine Forward](#)

Date: Friday, October 27, 2023

Time: 7 pm

Place: [Kitsilano Neighbourhood House](#), Community Hall, 2305 West 7th Avenue, Vancouver

b) Toronto Urban Agriculture Week

The Committee discussed [Toronto Urban Agriculture Week](#).

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Bree Hayden
SECONDED by Katherine Feng

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Leona Brown, Liana Glass and Kae Yee Tsai absent for the vote)

Next Meeting:

DATE: Thursday, November 30, 2023
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall
/ Webex Online

The Committee adjourned at 7:33 pm.

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