A Joint Meeting of the Women’s Advisory Committee (WAC) and Urban Aboriginal Peoples’ Advisory Committee (UAPAC) was held on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, at 5:36 pm in the Town Hall Meeting Room, Main Floor, City Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Wendy Williams, Chair (WAC)
Kamal Basra (WAC)
Krissy Darch (WAC)
Genesa Greening (WAC)
Jake Hassel-Gren (WAC)
Jarrah Hodge (WAC)
Ingrid Kolsteren (WAC)
Margarita Pinillos (WAC)
Marion Smith (WAC)
Bif Walker (WAC)
Julie Wong (WAC)
Steven Eastman (UAPAC)
Verdann Evans (UAPAC)
Lillian Howard (UAPAC)
Penny Irons (UAPAC)
Sheldon Robinson (UAPAC)
Mark Stevens (UAPAC)
Winona Stevens (UAPAC)

ABSENT: Fiona McFarlane, Vice-Chair (Leave of Absence) (WAC)

ALSO PRESENT: Wendy Au, Assistant City Manager, Staff Liaison (UAPAC)
Jennifer Dawkins, Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services, Staff Liaison (WAC)
Councillor Andrea Reimer, Council Liaison (WAC and UAPAC)
jil Weaving, Coordinator, Arts, Culture & Environment, Staff Liaison (UAPAC)
Baldwin Wong, Social Planner, Staff Liaison (UAPAC)

CITY CLERK’S OFFICE: Terri Burke, Meeting Coordinator

Leave of Absence Requests

The Women’s Advisory Committee approved a leave of absence for Fiona McFarlane.
Approval of Minutes

The Women’s Advisory Committee Minutes of the February 5, 2013, meeting were approved as circulated.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Wendy Williams, Chair, Women’s Advisory Committee, opened the meeting and welcomed all members and liaisons from both Committees. Members, liaisons and presenters introduced themselves.


Chief Constable Chu and Deputy Chief Constable LePard, both from the Vancouver Police Department (VPD), provided an update on the recommendations in the Report of the Missing Women Commission of Inquiry including, history of the missing women, changes in the VPD since 2002, the Inquiry and its findings, implementing recommendations, and current initiatives.

Mr. Chu and Mr. LePard also responded to questions and suggestions.

The Women’s Advisory Committee agreed to discuss next steps at their May 7, 2013, Working Session. The Urban Aboriginal Peoples’ Advisory Committee agreed to discuss next steps at their April 17, 2013, Regular meeting.

3. New Business

None.

Next Meeting of the Women’s Advisory Committee:

DATE: September 10, 2013
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Committee Room # 1

The Committee adjourned at 7:23 pm.

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