WOMEN’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

OCTOBER 29, 2019

A meeting of the Women's Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, October 29, 2019, at 5:50 pm, in the Business Centre Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT:
Rhonda Sherwood, Chair
Kate Gibson
Chavisa Horemans
Pooja Khandelwal
Megan Miller
Parmis Mohaghegh, Co-Vice-Chair
Savanah Norman
Priti Shah
Selina Tribe

ABSENT:
Stephanie Ameyaw, Co-Vice-Chair (Leave of Absence)
Catherine Jenkins (Sick Leave)
Missy Johnson (Leave of Absence)
Orissa Meyrink (Leave of Absence)
Essya Nabbali (Leave of Absence)
Paola Quiros (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT:
Commissioner Gwen Giesbrecht, Park Board Liaison
Trustee Lois Chan-Pedley, School Board Liaison
April Sumter-Freitag, Social Planner, Staff Liaison
Bronwen McRae-Smith, Social Planner, Staff Liaison
Anne Nickerson, Director, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion
Therese Boullard, EDI Consultant, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion
Mary Clare Zak, Managing Director, Social Policy & Projects Division

CITY CLERK’S OFFICE:
Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator
Rowena Choi, Meeting Coordinator

WELCOME

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

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Kate Gibson
SECONDED by Chavisa Horemans

THAT the Women’s Advisory Committee approve leaves of absence for Stephanie Ameyaw, Missy Johnson, Orissa Meyrink, Essya Nabbali and Paola Quiros for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Approval of Minutes – June 18, 2019

MOVED by Savanah Norman
SECONDED by Priti Shah

THAT the Women’s Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of June 18, 2019, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Monthly Women’s Advisory Committee Update

Staff from Equity, Diversity and Inclusion provided an update on women’s leadership and representation in the workplace and, along with Social Policy staff, responded to questions.

2. Liaison Updates

The following Committee Liaisons provided updates on projects, policies and motions relevant to the Committee’s mandate and responded to questions:

- Commissioner Giesbrecht, Park Board Liaison
- Trustee Chan-Pedley, Vancouver School Board Liaison.

3. Information on the Granville Bridge Connector

The Chair commented on the information distributed regarding the Granville Bridge Connector, noting Engineering staff will present in early 2020.

4. Intersectional Framework for the Committee

The Staff Liaisons provided an introduction to developing an intersectional framework as part of the Committee’s work plan and sought feedback.

In discussion, Chavisa asked members to e-mail their comments in order to compile the information in to a single document for review at an upcoming meeting.

5. New Business

None.
ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Chavisa Horemans
SECONDED by Pooja Khandelwal

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, November 19, 2019
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Cascadia Meeting Room
Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 7:34 pm.

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