



OLDER PERSONS AND ELDERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

September 26, 2025

A meeting of the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee was held on Friday, September 26, 2025, at 10:01 am, in the Joe Wai Room, Ground Floor, City Hall, and via electronic means.

PRESENT:

Varouj Gumuchian, Chair
Sana Aziz
Warren Chan
Diane Gibney
Gloria Gutman
Dale Lutes
Beverley Pitman, Vice-Chair
Marion Pollack
Andrea Sara*

ABSENT:

Richard Earthy (Leave of Absence)
Tricia Sirrs (Leave of Absence)
Andrea Krombein

ALSO PRESENT:

Tim McMillan, Vancouver Public Library Liaison
Anthony Kupferschmidt, Strategic Lead, Aging and Older
Persons; Staff Liaison
Jaimie Ashton, Alternate Member
Young Joe, Alternate Member

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Taimiya Khalid, Coordinator, Planning Committees

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

The Chair 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 Diane Gibney
SECONDED by Beverley Pitman

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee approve leaves of absence for Richard Earthy and Tricia Sirrs for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Dale Lutes
SECONDED by Beverley Pitman

THAT the Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee approve the minutes from the meeting of Friday, June 27, 2025, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Older Persons Strategic Framework – Update on Public Engagement, 2025 Actions and Potential 2026 Actions

The Staff Liaison provided a presentation and responded to questions and comments.

2. Working Session Updates

The Chair provided a brief update on the working session held Friday, July 18, 2025.

3. Liaison Updates

The Vancouver Public Library Liaison provided updates and responded to questions and comments.

4. Subcommittee Updates

The Subcommittee Leads provided updates, and the Committee engaged in discussion.

5. New Business

The Committee discussed the upcoming seniors housing forum hosted by the 411 Seniors Centre Society, as well as the venue and dates for the upcoming working sessions.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Diane Gibney
SECONDED by Gloria Gutman

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Andrea Sara absent for the vote)

Next Meeting:

DATE: Friday, November 21, 2025
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: Joe Wai Room, Ground Floor, City Hall
/ Teams Meeting

The Committee adjourned at 12:04 pm.

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