



URBAN INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

September 22, 2025

A meeting of the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee was held on Monday, September 22, 2025, at 5:47 pm, in the Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall, and via electronic means.

PRESENT: Troy Abromaitis*
Leona Brown
Nicole Cardinal
Mathew Fleury
Taylor Scott

ABSENT: Annita Mcphee
Drew Stewart (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Trustee Janet Fraser, Vancouver School Board Liaison
Rick Ouellet, Vancouver Public Library Liaison
Steven Eastman, Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive
Council Liaison
Rachel Wuttunee, Senior Manager, Urban Indigenous
Relations; Staff Liaison

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Irina Green, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

The Meeting Coordinator provided a land acknowledgement.

Modified Procedures

MOVED by Mathew Fleury
SECONDED by Taylor Scott

THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee suspend the rule of section 15.13 of the *Procedure By-law* in order to allow modified decision-making methods during the meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

Leave of Absence Requests

THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee approve a leave of absence for Drew Stewart for this meeting.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

Approval of Minutes

THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of Monday, May 26, 2025, as circulated.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

1. Committee Appointments

Postponed to a future meeting.

2. Update on the Zoning and Development By-law Amendments for Development Permit

Staff from Arts, Culture and Community Services, provided a presentation and responded to questions and comments.

Following discussion, the Committee agreed by consensus to the following motion:

THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee supports, in principle, the Vancouver City staff presentation on the proposed Zoning and Development By-law amendments and Development Permit (DP) term extension for Temporary Modular Housing (TMH), as presented at its meeting on September 22, 2025, provided the following considerations are addressed:

1. Prioritizing of safety and wellness within TMH communities, with particular attention to preventing and proactively responding to the risks associated with human trafficking;
2. Strengthening access to mental health and substance use supports within and nearby TMH sites, including Indigenous-led and trauma- and violence-informed services;
3. Advancing Indigenous-specific housing solutions, with an emphasis on housing designed by and for Indigenous Peoples, including women, girls, and Two-Spirit Peoples;
4. Implementing a long-term evaluation and accountability framework that incorporates Indigenous-specific indicators and outcomes, developed in partnership with Indigenous TMH residents, Elders, Knowledge Holders, housing providers, and community organizations; and

5. Ensuring ongoing engagement with TMH residents, particularly Indigenous Peoples, to guide future improvements and policy decisions related to modular and permanent housing solutions.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS
(Troy Abromaitis absent for the vote)

3. Working Session Updates

The Staff Liaison provided an update on the working session held on June 16, 2025.

4. Liaison Updates

All liaisons present provided updates or comments in addition to previously circulated updates.

5. New Business

Nicole Cardinal announced that Vancity Reign will host the 2026 Junior All Native Basketball Tournament, and they are currently seeking support with securing additional gym spaces in Vancouver.

ADJOURNMENT

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS
(Troy Abromaitis absent for the vote)

Next Meeting:

DATE: Monday, November 17, 2025
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall
Microsoft Teams

The Committee adjourned at 7:22 pm.

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