



## SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

November 20, 2015

A meeting of the Seniors' Advisory Committee was held on Friday, November 20, 2015, at 9:35 am, in Committee Room No. 1, Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Colleen McGuinness, Chair  
Eva Beda  
Thomas Crean  
Beatrice Ho  
Gudrun Langolf  
Lisa Low\*  
Dellie Lidyard  
Jim McCully  
Angie Natingor\*  
Scott Ricker, Vice-Chair  
Brian Tucker  
Eva Wadolna  
Jacquie Weiler  
Bob Worcester

**ABSENT:** Eddie Elmer (Leave of Absence)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Councillor Tim Stevenson (Council Liaison)  
Trustee Fraser Ballantyne (School Board Liaison)  
Commissioner Erin Shum (Park Board Liaison)  
Stephanie Kripps, Accessibility Services  
(Library Liaison)  
Chris Morrissey, Past Chair  
Taryn Scollard, Director, Streets Division,  
Engineering Services (Staff Liaison)

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Lori Isfeld, Meeting Coordinator

\* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

### **Approval of Agenda**

MOVED by Gudrun Langolf  
SECONDED by Beatrice Ho

THAT the agenda for the Seniors' Advisory Committee regular meeting on November 20, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Lisa Low and Angie Natingor absent for the vote)

### **Leave of Absence Requests**

MOVED by Eva Wadolna  
SECONDED by Beatrice Ho

THAT the Seniors' Advisory Committee approve a leave of absence for Eddie Elmer for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Lisa Low and Angie Natingor absent for the vote)

The Chair noted that Angie Natingor had declared conflict of interest regarding the St. Paul's Hospital presentation item because of her employment with Vancouver Coastal Health, and that Ms. Natingor would therefore be arriving at the meeting at approximately 10:30 am, following the completion of the item.

### **Approval of Minutes**

MOVED by Gudrun Langolf  
SECONDED by Scott Ricker

THAT the minutes of the Seniors' Advisory Committee regular meeting on September 18, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Lisa Low and Angie Natingor absent for the vote)

MOVED by Beatrice Ho  
SECONDED by Jacqueline Weiler

THAT the meeting notes of the Seniors' Advisory Committee working session on October 16, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Lisa Low and Angie Natingor absent for the vote)

## Approval of 2016 Regular Meeting Schedule

MOVED by Scott Ricker  
SECONDED by Eva Wadolna

THAT the 2016 Regular Meeting Schedule for the Seniors' Advisory Committee, be approved as set out below:

Date	Time
January 15, 2016	9:30 to 11:30 am
March 11, 2016	9:30 to 11:30 am
May 20, 2016	9:30 to 11:30 am
July 8, 2016	9:30 to 11:30 am
September 23, 2016	9:30 to 11:30 am
November 18, 2016	9:30 to 11:30 am

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Lisa Low and Angie Natingor absent for the vote)

### 1. Business arising from the minutes

None.

### 2. Presentations

#### a) *St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver Coastal Health*

David Byres, Executive VP, Clinical Renewal and Integration provided a presentation entitled "The New St. Paul's: Engaging British Columbians & BC Communities to Shape the Future", and along with additional St. Paul's Hospital and Vancouver Coastal Health staff listed below, responded to questions.

- David Thompson, VP, Seniors Care & Chief Quality, Safety and Performance Improvement
- Dr. Janet Kushner-Kow, Geriatrician, Elder Care, St. Paul's Hospital
- Neil MacConnell, Chief Project Officer, St. Paul's Hospital Redevelopment
- Shaf Hussain, VP, Public Affairs, Communications & Stakeholder Engagement
- Justin Karasick, Director, Communications & Public Affairs

It was noted there would be additional updates and opportunity for involvement by the Seniors' Advisory Committee moving forward. The Chair thanked the staff team for the presentation and discussion.

*b) Loading and Unloading at Transit Sites*

Chris Darwent, Neighbourhood Parking & Transportation, Engineering Services, provided a presentation, which was in response to a motion approved at the meeting on September 18, 2015. The motion requested that the City work with TransLink to assign designated loading and unloading zones that will allow people sufficient time to safely and conveniently embark and disembark at SkyTrain stations.

Mr. Darwent, along with Diane Hiltz, Neighbourhood Parking and Transportation, and Chris Robertson, Planner, Strategic Transportation Planning, responded to questions regarding safety concerns at specific stations and use of street and sidewalk space.

**4. Committee Liaison Updates**

*a. Council Liaison*

Councillor Stevenson provided updates regarding the federal election and subsequent government change, and the potential for infrastructure upgrades.

*b. School Board Liaison*

Trustee Ballantyne provided updates and responded to questions regarding various topics including funding for deferred maintenance and long range facilities planning. In response to a question, Trustee Ballantyne agreed to look in to why public washrooms at South False Creek were closed.

*c. Park Board Liaison*

Commissioner Shum provided updates and responded to questions regarding various topics including the first Community Dialogue event held at Marpole Community Centre, status of South Vancouver/Killarney Seniors Centre and moving Marpole Community Centre, accessibility at the Fish House in Stanley Park, and age-friendly public facilities and washrooms in parks.

The Chair suggested the Committee learn more about Marpole Community Centre. Beatrice Ho agreed to seek out and invite representatives from the Marpole Seniors Group to a future meeting.

*d. Vancouver Public Library Liaison*

The Library Liaison provided updates on a variety of matters. She noted the Library is currently working on increasing neighbourhood consultation, which is a change from the current practice where most consultation takes place at the Central Library.

The Committee discussed a suggestion by the Persons With Disabilities Committee to include speech disability under the disabilities umbrella. The Chair noted this is an area the Committee can review in future.

*e. Staff Liaison*

The Staff Liaison advised she had nothing to report and would provide any updates by email.

The Chair noted any street-related issues should be sent to the Staff Liaison in advance of meetings in order to provide time to prepare a response.

**4. Subcommittee Updates**

*a. Communication*

The Chair reminded members to send any event info or other website material to Eddy Elmer so he can keep the website up to date.

*b. Community Engagement*

Beatrice Ho and Jackie Weiler provided updates on recent activities and events.

*c. Housing*

Chris Morrissey provided updates, noting that she and Colleen McGuinness continue to attend Dogwood Redesign meetings.

Scott Ricker provided an update regarding a presentation provided by the City's Social Housing staff regarding residential care, rental and landlord issues. The Chair referred members to a report prepared by the Renters Advisory Committee that will tentatively be considered by City Council in December. She requested members review the report from a senior's perspective and provide her with any feedback or suggestions.

It was also noted the LGTBQ2 Seniors Housing Subcommittee had expressed interest in working with the Seniors' Advisory Committee. Committee members were in agreement with this proposal.

*d. Social Isolation and Loneliness*

Brian Tucker provided an update, noting work is ongoing.

*e. Transportation and Mobility*

Dellie Lidyard provided updates. Discussion ensued regarding Compass Card.

5. **Other Business**

a. *Marijuana*

The Committee discussed a recent phone call received by the Chair.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Scott Ricker  
SECONDED by Eva Wadolna

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Next Meeting:**

DATE: Friday, January 15, 2016  
TIME: 9:30 am  
PLACE: Committee Room No. 1  
Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 11:55 am.

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