

Minutes

Thursday, January 16, 2020

Burgoyne Woods Room at 4:30 p.m.

Attendance:

Councillor Bill Phillips, Chair
Councillor Sal Sorrento
Jeanette Pillitteri, Director of Corporate Support Services
Phil Cristi, Director of Community, Recreation and Cultural Services
Diane Foster, Co-chair, Accessibility Advisory Committee ~ left at 6:00 p.m.
Haley Bateman, Chair of the Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee
Jim Richardson, Chair of the Recreation Master Plan Advisory Committee
Saleh Waziruddin, Chair of the Anti-Racism Advisory Committee
Sharon Paton, Chair of the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee

Guests:

Deanna Chakarova, Community and Market Coordinator ~ left at 5:09 p.m.
Lori Mambella, Manager, Programs and Culture Services

Staff Liaison:

Cindy Pfeffer, Anti-Racism Advisory
Julie Rorison, Equity and Inclusion Advisory
Eric Lamothe, Recreation Master Plan Advisory
Koby Vanyo, Older Adults Advisory
Megan Detlor, Accessibility Advisory
Marla Terreberry-Portfilio, LGBTQ2+ Advisory
Leanne Kurek, Social Pillar

Absent:

Councillor Greg Miller
Brody Longmuir Chair, Town and Gown Advisory Committee
Melva Snowling, Chair Older Adults Advisory Committee
Marco Marino, Town and Gown Advisory Committee (staff liaison)

1. Call meeting to order (Councillor Bill Phillips, Chair)
4:30 p.m.

2. Recognition of Traditional Territories

Councillor Phillips acknowledged that the land on which the Social Sustainability Committee meets today is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Peoples. Acknowledging this is a reminder that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.

3. Additions / Deletions to the Agenda

Deletions:

8.6 Town and Gown Advisory work plan presentation ~ Brody Longmuir

8.8 Older Adults Advisory work plan presentation ~ Melva Snowling

no representative in attendance

Amendment:

8.7 – Recreation Master Plan Advisory Committee update

Work plan to be presented at April 7, 2020 meeting.

Additions:

8.12 Committee interaction (Anti-Racism, Equity and Inclusion and LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committees)

8.13 Motion from the Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee

4. Motion to approve the agenda

That the Social Sustainability Committee adopt the agenda as amended.

Moved by: S. Waziruddin

Carried

5. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting

Motion to adopt the SSC minutes, Oct 9, 2019.

Moved by: J. Richardson

Carried

6. Presentations (invited guests)

NA

7. Business arising from the minutes

NA

8. Business

8.1 - Waiving of Fees Applications ~ Deanna Chakarova

Motion to approve the request for waiving of fees in their applications for the following organizations:

Motion to approve to waive \$171.25 for the Niagara Region Walk for Muscular Dystrophy.

Motion to approve to waive \$171.25 for the Sun Life Walk to cure Diabetes for JDRF.

Motion to approve to waive \$1528.57 for the Niagara Wing Fest.

Motion to approve to waive \$111.79 for WWF – Canada's Kids Run for Nature.

Motion to approve to waive \$172.45 for the St. Catharines Kidney Walk.

Motion to approve to waive \$172.61 for the Summer Solstice Yoga on the Beach.

Motion to approve to waive \$164.27 for the Coldest Night of the Year.

Motion to approve to waive \$171.25 for World Hepatitis Day.

Motion to approve to waive \$636.25 for Hike for Hospice.

Moved by: S. Waziruddin

Carried

8.2 – Waiving of fees policy review ~ Deanna Chakarova

- Review of the policy has been deferred to a future meeting (date to be determined).
- Sub-committee was established to review policy.
 - J. Richardson, Chair of the Recreation Master Plan
 - H. Bateman, Chair of the Equity and Inclusion
 - Staff from Community, Recreation and Culture Services will support the sub-committee for recommendations.

Motion to appoint H. Bateman and J. Richardson to the Waiving of Fees Policy Review Sub-Committee.

Moved by: S. Sorrento

Carried

- Policy will be sent to legal for review prior to coming back to Social Sustainability Pillar for final review and approval (date to be determined).

8.3 – Review of applications for various committees and make recommendations.

Motion to go In Camera at 5:10 p.m.

That the Social Sustainability Committee go In Camera for personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

Moved by S. Waziruddin

Carried

8.4 – In Camera ~ Review applications for the Recreation Master Plan Advisory Committee (vacancy) and the Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee (vacancy)

Motion to move to Open Session at 5:36 p.m.

That the Social Sustainability Committee move to Open Session

Moved by S. Waziruddin

Carried

That the Social Sustainability Committee recommended names for advisory committees in the In Camera Session and for the recommendations to be referred to council.

Moved by D. Foster

Carried

8.5 – Accessibility Advisory update ~ Diane Foster

- 2020 Work plan presented (attached)

8.6 – Deleted from agenda

8.7 Recreation Master Plan Advisory update ~ Jim Richardson

- Outdoor Aquatics Task Force
 - The RMPAC has 3 representatives for the Outdoor Aquatics Task Force
 - A Request for Proposal has been issued for a third party consultant to develop an Aquatics Facilities Strategy. Applications have been received and are currently being reviewed by staff with an anticipated award date of Q1 2020.

- Recreation Facilities Allocation Policy
 - The committee will act in an advisory capacity throughout the development of the Recreation Facilities Allocation Policy.
- Parks Renewal Plan
 - Douglas Park Playground and Barley Drive Basketball Court are nearing completion.
- Work Plan Development
 - The top two prioritized recommendations for the work plan include:
 - Multi-Use Courts
 - Skateboard Park
 - The committee participated in an “Innovation in a Box” brainstorming session regarding the advancement of developing a skateboard park north of the QEW, given the cost and current budgetary constraints.
 - Work plan to be finalized at January meeting.

8.8 Deleted from agenda

8.9 LGBTQ2+ Advisory update ~ Sharon Paton

- 2020 DRAFT Work plan attached
- Will present any amendments to work plan at the next pillar meeting to committee.

8.10 Equity and Inclusion Advisory update ~ Haley Bateman

- 2020 Work plan attached

8.11 Anti-Racism Advisory update ~ Saleh Waziruddin

- 2020 Work plan attached

Motion to approve the work plans and presentations from:

Accessibility, Recreation Master Plan, LGBTQ2+, Equity and Inclusion and Anti-Racism Advisory Committees

Moved by S. Wazirudin

Carried

8.12 Committee interaction (Anti-Racism, Equity and Inclusion and LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committees).

- Through the development of the 2020 work plans it has been recognized that there is some duplication on items i.e. environmental scan, policy review etc.
- Committee Chairs and staff liaisons to meet to discuss further and align their goals with committee Terms of Reference.

Action item:

- Committee chairs and staff liaisons to present any amendments to their work plans at the next pillar meeting (April 7, 2020).

8.13 Motion from the Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee

- Sent to the Social Pillar for information:

That the Equity and Inclusion Committee recommends that City Council directs staff to prepare a report and develop a family care and accommodation policy (included but not limited to barrier-free access to childcare, transportation, dependent care) to improve equitable access and reduce systemic barriers to public participation in all city-initiated public meetings, citizen advisory committees and statutory meetings.

Carried

9. Date of next meeting

- April 7, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. in the Burgoyne Woods Room.

10. Motion to Adjourn

That the Social Sustainability Committee be adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Moved by: J. Richardson

Carried

Attachments:

- Accessibility Advisory Committee 2020 Work Plan
- LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee DRAFT 2020 Work Plan
- Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee 2020 Work Plan
- Anti-Racism Advisory Committee 2020 Work Plan