

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER
Regular meeting of the Social Planning Advisory Committee
Held via WEBEX
On Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 6:00pm

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Etienne Normandin-Poitras, Chair
Anna Boltenko
Timothy Hinkson
Catherine Kingfisher
Kate Galicz, Vice Chair
Tina Parbhakar
Martyna Purchla

Angela Girard, Councillor

ABSENT:

Raashi Ahluwalia
June Maynard

STAFF:

Cristina Rucci, Community Planner
Edytha Barker, Admin. Coordinator II

9 members – quorum = 5

1 Councillor (non-voting) 2 staff (non-voting)

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by the Chair.

The approval of the agenda was moved and seconded and the agenda was approved as circulated.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF UNCEDED TERRITORY

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The approval of the minutes of the meeting of March 23, 2022 was moved and seconded and the minutes were adopted as circulated.

4. UPDATES

a) Councillor

- There has been some public concern regarding the Lonsdale Skate Park being removed for construction of the new Harry Jerome Rec Centre. The new park will be on the same site but in a different location. The City has decided to build a skate park at Mahon Park. Public input is being received until May 2022.
- Council received a presentation from Canadian Mental Health. They spoke about their civilian led mobile crisis team which launched at the end of 2021. The program is called Peer Assisted Care Team (PACT) and consists of a mental health worker and a peer support worker. This team is dispatched to provide crisis

counselling and resources and can accompany a person to the hospital if needed or wanted. The provincial government has provided funding to expand the program on the North Shore and to create branches in New Westminster and Victoria later this year.

- Council did not approve a development application at 1536 -1550 Eastern Avenue as there were concerns around the 129 spot child care. Council has asked that this development be put on hold until the City's Child Care-Design Guidelines are developed.
- Council approved a 3.75 % property tax increase. This is lower than the 2021 increase and remains comparable in the Metro Vancouver region.
- TransLink's 10-year plan includes a commitment to bring rapid transit to the North Shore within the next 10 years. This will be in the form of bus rapid transit with dedicated lanes.

b) Staff

- Staff are working on the Community Well-Being Strategy, the child care guidelines and the Poverty reduction strategy.

5. DISCUSSION

a) 2022 Round One Community Grant Recommendations

The review groups presented their recommendations and the committee discussed them.

The committee unanimously agreed to allocation \$128,100 in Round One and hold back \$18,563 for Round Two.

b) Future of Committee Meetings

The Committee Clerk advised SPAC that in person meetings are now possible, however, all members must be in agreement. As City Hall does not have the ability to hold hybrid meetings as yet, committee must be either in person or via WebEx.

May's meeting will be held via WebEx. The Committee Clerk will send out a Survey Monkey to all members.

The Community Planner asked for suggestions from the Committee for speakers for the May and June meetings. The following were mentioned:

- Debrief/review of grant process
- CMHA's PACT program
- Update on Harry Jerome Recreation Centre
- Immigrant Link

6. ROUND TABLE

The Volunteer Appreciation reception was held this week at the new Museum of North Vancouver (MONOVA). Highly recommend going to visit the museum and do the quizzes!

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.



Chair

May 25, 2022

Date