

MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held at City Hall in Conference Room A and Electronically, 141 West 14th Street, North Vancouver, BC on October 25, 2023

The City of North Vancouver respectfully acknowledges that this meeting is held on the traditional and unceded territories of the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and Səlílwətat (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

Members Present

Anna Boltenko, Chair Farnoosh Fallah

Liza Feris

Kate Galicz, Vice-Chair

Catherine Kingfisher

Olga Kens

Kathy McGrenera

Zeyus Spenta

Staff Present

Heather Evans, Community Planner

Edytha Barker, Administrative Coordinator II

Renée de St. Croix, Manager, Long Range &

Community Planning*

*participated electronically

Tony Valente, Councillor

Absent

Tim Page

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

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 28, 2023 meeting and the September 27, 2023 meeting were tabled to the November meeting.

3. UPDATES

- a) Councillor
 - Council recently received a report and presentation on the Curb Access and Parking Plan project initiation. Council directed staff to undertake public and interest-holder engagement and to report back with initial engagement findings. This will help staff and Council understand how our curbs are currently serving us. There is a social side to supporting businesses and what they need.

b) Staff

- NewToBC is a library settlement initiative that connects immigrants, newcomers and refugees with essential settlement information, public libraries and other service providers. The North Vancouver City Library is part of this program. They will be able to provide demographics specific to CNV. More information can be found at: newtobc.ca.
- Transportation Planning would like to come to SPAC in November to present the Curb Access and Parking Plan.

4. DRAFT COMMUNITY WELLBEING STRATEGY

H. Evans presented the following highlights regarding the Draft Community Wellbeing Strategy.

- This topic was presented at the September 27, 2023 meeting. SPAC asked staff to bring it back for further discussion. The draft strategy is available online at: www.cnv.org/Community-Environment/Social-Planning/Community-Wellbeing.
- At SPAC's September meeting, the committee expressed a desire to have the topic presented again at the October meeting for further discussion.
- Staff have been doing community engagement on the draft strategy in the late summer / early fall.
- The input received will be summarized into a report and finalized Strategy in the Winter of 2023/24.

Members presented the following notable questions and comments:

- How can the draft objectives be measured? How do you track the progress of working toward wellbeing in the City?
 - We will be coming up with a clear baseline of qualitative and quantitative measures over time.
- What happens next in terms of the Strategy?
 - We will be taking all the feedback into consideration and looking at the draft document. We will be considering whether some aspects of the feedback can be included before the Strategy is finalized.

It was moved and seconded:

THAT, the Social Planning Advisory Committee, having received the presentation on the Draft Community Wellbeing Strategy, supports the Strategy in principle and encourages staff and Council to focus on the following areas:

- Complete communities
- Access to housing and education
- Ground the goals and objectives of this Strategy with action:
 - Action planning
 - Accountability for implementation
 - o Responsibilities for action from Council to individual residents
- Linkages to the Climate and Environment Strategy an across the various pathways in the Strategy.

The Committee commends and thanks staff for the work and attention that has gone into updating this important Strategy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. COMMUNITY GRANTS ROUND TWO ALLOCATIONS

The Community Planner shared the matrix of Round Two applications. The Chair began a discussion. Each evaluation group presented their recommendations.

After discussion, the Committee unanimously agreed to allocate the full amount of \$50,696 as follows:

Applications Recommended for Funding

Athletics for Kids Financial Assistance (B.C.) Society (Operating)	\$3,000
British Columbia Centre for Ability Association (Operating)	\$1,000
Carson Graham Secondary School (Program – Carson Graham Community Dinner)	\$3,000
Crisis Intervention & Suicide Prevention Centre of BC (Program – North Shore Volunteer Recruitment)	\$2,000
Hollyburn Family Services Society (Program – Life Success)	\$2,000
Hollyburn Family Services Society (Program – North Shore Youth Safe House)	\$4,000
Hollyburn Family Services Society (Program – Seniors Safe House)	\$2,500
Hollyburn Family Services Society (Program – Wired 4 Success)	\$2,000
Hollyburn Family Services Society (Program – Youth Education Navigator)	\$2,000
Living Systems Family Systems Counselling & Education Society (Program – Access Counselling)	\$5,000
North Shore Alliance Church (Program – North Shore Community Christmas Dinner)	\$3,000
North Shore Stroke Recovery Centre (Program – Art Therapy)	\$2,000
North Shore Stroke Recovery Centre (Program – Family Caregiver)	\$2,000
North Shore Stroke Recovery Centre (Program – Speech Language Pathology)	\$3,000
Parkgate Community Services Society (Program – Youth Outreach)	\$3,500
Pathways Serious Mental Illness Society (Program – Family to Family Peer Support Course)	\$2,500
Shelter Movers Vancouver	\$3,000
Spectrum Mothers Support Society (Operating)	\$5,196
TOTAL	\$50,696

Table 2 – Applications Recommended Not to Receive Funding

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The Cinderella Project (Operating)
Ecowaves Community Volunteer Club (Operating)
Elevation Health Foundations (Operating)
Elevation Health Foundations (Program – Physical Literary Program)
(The) Giraffes Art School (Operating)
Iranian Laughter Club (Program HOpe Laughter Program)
North Shore Neighbourhood House (Program – Centreview Child Care
Centre)
North Shore Neighbourhood House (Program – John Braithwaite Out of
School Care)
North Shore Neighbourhood House (Program - Learning Together Child
Care)
North Shore Neighbourhood House (Program – NSNH Child Care)
North Shore Neighbourhood House (Program – Queen Mary Out of School
Care)
North Shore Neighbourhood House (Program – Ridgeway Out of School
Care)
North Shore Polish Association Belweder (Program – Joy Seniors' Club –
Just Older Youth)
SCY Society for Children and Youth of BC (Program – Youth Transit Leaders
Program)

6. ROUNDTABLE

Transportation Planning staff would like to come to the November SPAC meeting to give a presentation on the Curb Access and Parking Plan project.

7. ADJOURN

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:22pm.

Date of Next Meeting – November 22, 2023

Anna Boltenko/Chair