

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER
Regular meeting of the Social Planning Advisory Committee
Held in City Hall, Conference Room 'A'
On Wednesday, April 25, 2012 at 7:00pm

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Alison Caldwell Johnson, Vice-Chair
Kenneth Izatt
Nadia Louzado
Chris Nichols
Mary Tasi
Alison Watt

ABSENT:

Antje Wilson, Chair
Jessica Aldred
Tomoko Ito

STAFF:

Gary Penway, Director, Community Development
Edytha Barker, Committee Clerk

Rod Clark, Councillor

9 members – quorum = 5

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

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of March 28, 2012 were adopted as circulated.

3. UPDATES

a. Councillor –

- Council report written by Paul Penner on child care space inventory and Cheryl Kathler's Council report on affordable housing. Both these reports were available as part of the agenda package for tonight's meeting.
- Councillor Clark recently attended an open house at Ridgeway School on surplus lands. The open house was well attended and 11 surplus lands were discussed. SPAC asked if there is a possibility that any of these surplus lands could be available for housing. The answer was yes.
- There will be a Council workshop on Harry Jerome in the early fall.
- There was a Council workshop at the last meeting regarding the Central Waterfront. Staff have been guided by Council to report back with various options. There will likely be a design workshop to follow up later this spring.

b. Staff (Gary Penway for Paul Penner) -

- The OCP process is ongoing. The deadline for the workbooks to be submitted is April 30. Staff will be reporting to Council at the end of May and will get direction on what the next steps should be.

- Advisory Body Reorganization – The deadline was missed last year to implement any changes in the advisory bodies for 2012. We are now working toward January 2013. Staff hopes to have draft copies of the Terms of Reference for new or re-worked committees before the summer break.
- SPAC asked if the Squamish Nation has been involved in our OCP process. G. Penway stated that they have not, but that an invitation has gone out to them for their input.
- There will be reports coming forward to Council soon on the Kimpton, as well as the Onni project at 1308 Lonsdale.
- A. Watt asked if the City has been in touch with a group from Toronto regarding options for housing (www.optionsforhomes.ca). This group is coming to Vancouver and the suggestion was made that this be another “spoke in our wheel”. G. Penway advised that this group had been to CNV some years ago and it was decided that this model would not work here, but perhaps this can be revisited.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Community Grants – Finalize

The Vice-Chair suggested that the committee discuss any new information gained on any applications since the last meeting and then move on to discussing items where there were discrepancies on the amount to recommend. SPAC agreed on this.

Chris Nichols joined the meeting at approximately 8:00 p.m.
Alison Watt left the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

All applications were discussed and the spreadsheet was populated. It was unanimously agreed to wait and discuss Group C's applications at the next meeting when members of Group C can be in attendance.

b. Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund –

The applications and matrix for the Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund were distributed. Paul Penner will send a memo to SPAC to give further information on several applications in the next week or so. SPAC members were asked to review the applications and they will be discussed at next month's meeting.

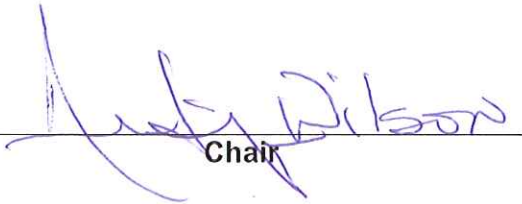
5. OTHER BUSINESS

Members were reminded that their attendance at meetings is very important, especially during grant reviews. Members were also reminded of the clause in the SPAC Terms of Reference as follows:

6. *If any member misses three regularly called consecutive monthly meetings without giving a reasonable cause to the Chair or Committee Clerk in advance, he or she will be deemed to have resigned.*

6. ADJOURNMENT – 9:10 p.m.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – May 23, 2012


Chair


Date