

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, November 28, 2012 at 7:00pm

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MINUTES

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**PRESENT:**

Antje Wilson, Chair  
Alison Caldwell Johnson, Vice-Chair  
Arash Ehteshami  
Greg Geub  
Tomoko Ito  
Kenneth Izatt  
Nadia Louzado  
Mary Tasi  
Alison Watt

**ABSENT:**

Rod Clark, Councillor  
Paul Penner, Community Planner

**STAFF:**

Christopher Wilkinson, Planner  
Edytha Barker, Committee Clerk

9 members – quorum = 5

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

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1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of October 24, 2012 were adopted as circulated.

3. UPDATES

a. Councillor – N/A

b. Staff

C. Wilkinson advised that he was filling in for P. Penner at this meeting as P. Penner was at the Harry Jerome Town Hall Meeting.

- Community Heroes Award Name Change - This went to Council November 26<sup>th</sup>. Council voted to change the name to the Community Award of Merit.
- Advisory Body Reorganization – This also went to Council November 26. Council elected to refer the matter back to staff for more work. There will likely be no change to committees until 2014.
  - Action: Edytha to email staff report to members.
- Sustainable City Award – The first annual Sustainable City Award was awarded to Loutet Farms in October 2012.
- Restorative Justice Week was November 18 – 25.
- The Harry Jerome Open House has been ongoing November 15– 27. The Town Hall meeting is being held tonight. The information display will

be up and surveys will be accepted until November 30. All information and the survey can be found online at [www.cnv.org](http://www.cnv.org).

- CityShaping – The Council workshop on Density Bonusing was held on October 29. The Growth and Land Use Workshop will be held January 19, 2013 from 1 – 5 p.m. in the Atrium at City Hall.
- The public hearing for 1308 Lonsdale Avenue was held November 19th. Council has now requested a second public hearing which will likely be scheduled for January.

#### 4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

##### a. Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund: 2012 Round Two Applications – Finalize

SPAC members discussed the remaining applications tabled at the October meeting, focusing on the answers to the questions posed to the applicants.

1. Family Services of the North Shore – Family Support in Lower Lonsdale  
Request: \$15,000, Recommendation: \$10,000

2. Highlands United Church – Saturday Lunch  
Request: \$700, Recommendation: \$700

3. North Shore Neighbourhood House – Grandparent Program –  
Request \$5,545, Recommendation: \$2,000

- It was noted that this is not a duplication of another program but rather a continuation of a program that has been running for several years. NSNH is asking for funding at this time as they are no longer able to support it financially.
- The needs are assessed via a yearly survey.
- Volunteer involvement is not usually appropriate due to confidentiality issues.

4. Spectrum Mothers Support Society – Mothering Support – Request: \$15,000,  
Recommendation: \$7,500

- Spectrum advised that all money received through grants and donations goes toward paying caregivers on a contract basis.
- They have a combination of paid and volunteer caregivers and mentors.
- SPAC felt the request was high. The hours of care received seems minimal compared to the cost.
- Overall, the committee felt this is a very worthwhile program.

Alison Caldwell Johnson joined the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

5. Vancouver Regiment – Irish Pipes & Drums Society – Youth Drumming –  
Phase 5 – Request \$1,300, Recommendation: \$1,300

6. Athletics For Kids Financial Assistance (B.C.) Society – A4K Youth Sport Funding Project – Request: \$10,000, Recommendation: \$10,000
  - A4K advised that they employ a thorough application verification process, which includes means testing, for each child that applies to the program.
  - A4K and the North Vancouver Recreation Commission meet yearly to communicate how they can assist one another and the community. A4K provides funding for numerous NVRC activities.
  
7. Avalon Recovery Society – North Shore Women’s Centre – Peer Support Program – Request: \$25,000, Recommendation: \$8,600
  - Avalon confirmed that the participant figure of 9,500 indicated on their application form does reflect the number of *individual visits* rather than individual participants.
  - Their location is due to availability and rental rates. They will be looking for a new space in the Lower Lonsdale area in the near future as their current building has been sold and will be torn down.
  - Avalon does not receive government funding and relies on a dedicated and supportive donor base.
  - SPAC would have liked to see a more transparent financial statement.
  - Avalon is a well-established organization and are known to have a warm and welcoming environment for women and youth at risk or in distress.
  
8. North Shore Community Resources Society – WHEELS: Making Community Connections in Lower Lonsdale – Request: \$22,238, Recommendation: Do Not Fund
  
9. North Shore Neighbourhood House – Lower Lonsdale Seniors Lunch & Listen Program – Request \$9,000, Recommendation: \$5,000
  
10. North Shore Neighbourhood House – Queen Mary Community Development Enhancement Project – Request: \$10,000, Recommendation: \$3,500
  - It was still unclear to the Committee if North Shore Neighbourhood House are doing work that Queen Mary’s Parent Advisory Committee should be doing.
  - SPAC suggested that the Queen Mary PAC apply to the Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund directly in future.
  - Action Item: Paul to confirm whether or not PAC’s can apply to the LLLF.

**IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED**

THAT the \$9,907 remaining in the Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund not be disbursed in this round and be carried forward to the 2013 Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund budget.

**CARRIED 7/2**

**b. Core Funding Applications**

C. Wilkinson passed on the following information:

There are a number of CNV committees covered by core funding that staff do not review or provide comment on. These include on-going funding for the North Shore Restorative Justice Society, the North Shore Family Court & Youth Justice Committee and the North Shore Advisory Committee on Disability Issues. Also of note is that the funds earmarked for the John Braithwaite Community Centre are actually for North Shore Neighbourhood House programs that occur at JBCC. In 2013, North Shore Neighbourhood House will be responsible for applying for all these funds.

**c. Community Grant Form Revisions**

The District of North Vancouver has proposed some revisions to the Community Grant Application form. P. Penner has recommended that we postpone any changes until after the 2013 round of funding occurs.

SPAC members were asked when they felt they could meet with the District of North Vancouver and the District of West Vancouver to discuss changes to the application form.

It was suggested that SPAC invite a representative from both municipalities to attend a SPAC meeting, perhaps in January 2013 to present the proposed changes and discuss. The changes to the form would not occur until 2014.

A. Wilson would also like to have a presentation from a community agency at the January meeting.

**5. OTHER BUSINESS**

**a. Recommendations for the Community Grants & Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund Programs**

This is a follow up to the recommendations made at the June 27 SPAC meeting which were not voted on in a resolution format. This issue was then tabled at the September meeting as it was felt more discussion was needed and there was an unwillingness to vote on that recommendation at that time.

A good discussion was had and the following recommendation was voted on:

**IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:**

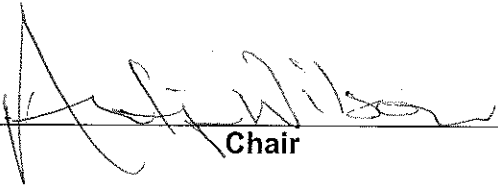
**THAT**, the Social Planning Advisory Committee, at their regularly scheduled meeting of November 29, 2012, having discussed, at Staff's request, the granting process for both the Community Grants program and the Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund, makes the following recommendations to Council:


1. That Council review and address the amount of funding available for the Community Grant and Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund grant programs due to the substantially higher demand for the Community Grants but almost equal funding amounts available for both; and,
2. That Council further consider changing the Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund intake from twice a year to an annual fall intake

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

6. ADJOURNMENT – 9:10 p.m.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –January 23, 2013

  
Chair

  
Date