

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, May 22, 2013 at 7:00pm

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Antje Wilson, Chair
Arash Ehteshami
Greg Geub
Tomoko Ito
Steve Tornes

ABSENT:

Mary Tasi
Kenneth Izatt, Vice-Chair
Rod Clark, Councillor

STAFF:

Paul Penner, Community Planner
Edytha Barker, Committee Clerk

9 members – quorum = 5

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

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of April 24, 2013 were adopted as circulated.

3. UPDATES

a. Councillor – N/A

b. Staff

- N. Louzado has resigned from SPAC effective immediately as she is moving to the USA.
- Ads will be in the newspaper and online for new SPAC members. We hope to have 2 new members for the June meeting.
- The May 2nd CityShaping event at City Hall went very well. Surveys are currently available online as well as available in paper. The deadline to submit the survey is this Friday, May 24. The boards and feedback form are available for viewing online at www2.cnv.org/CityShaping/index.html. Staff will be reporting back to Council on the public input, and will be seeking their endorsement to proceed to develop a first draft over the summer. The first draft would then be presented to Council in the fall, and would be subject to further public consultations after that.

- We will have time for a speaker at June's meeting. The committee indicated a preference to hear from North Shore Neighbourhood House next, followed by North Shore Crisis Services Society. P. Penner will ask Lisa Hubbard, Executive Director at NSNH, or an alternate to come to the June meeting.
- The City hosted the annual Youth awards in the Atrium at City Hall on May 6. Approximately 140 people attended. Photos can be viewed on the Youth section of the City's website.
- CityFEST was held May 4. There were an estimated 3,500 kids in attendance, marking the largest turnout ever. As part of CityFEST, the City also hosted the first ever sanctioned longboard race in the Lower Mainland. There were 45 competitors, many of which were racing for the first time.
- Twelve students have been chosen for this year's Studio in the City, a City sponsored youth employment initiative in which an artist works with a group of students to create a public art piece. There will be a launch party and unveiling of past projects on June 7th at Lonsdale Quay. SPAC members are welcome and encouraged to attend!
- As part of the Seniors' Action Team, the City of North Vancouver, along with the Districts of North Vancouver and West Vancouver will be hosting a forum: Rightsizing Your Home on the North Shore. It will be held Wednesday, May 29th. Michael Gellar will be moderating.
- The City has signed a contract with the NS Shelter/Lookout to employ an Employment Initiative Worker to research and develop an employment program/social enterprise. Currently the contract is a one year position, with the possibility to renew for one more year to insure implementation.
- The Metro Vancouver Homelessness Task Force has gone through a change and a new steering committee has been formed. Previously the North Shore was represented by a Social Planner from either the City or the District, but in the new restructuring the North Shore member will be from Hollyburn Family Services, representing seniors.
- There is an event being held tomorrow at the Pinnacle Hotel for service providers working with refugees and immigrants. Mayor Mussatto will be opening the event and the keynote speaker will be Dan Hiebert from UBC.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Draft Community Grants Report

SPAC members were in agreement with the draft report going to Council with the Community Grant recommendations. S. Tornes will endeavour to get the missing evaluation reports from Team D to the Committee Clerk for inclusion in the matrix.

G. Geub mentioned that it is very interesting to see the table showing the history of funding requests back to 1997. SPAC had a good discussion on report applicants vs. new applicants.

It was moved and seconded:

THAT the Social Planning Advisory Committee, having reviewed the draft Community Grants report to Council as circulated, endorses this report, subsequent to additional reviewer comments being added to the Matrix (Attachment No. 1).

Carried Unanimously

b. Proposed Community Grant Form Revisions

In anticipation of the tri-municipal meeting with the District of North Vancouver and the District of West Vancouver on June 12, SPAC members were given copies of the proposed revisions to the Community Grants forms. The Committee Clerk will email these to all members.

As N. Louzado has resigned and S. Tornes can no longer attend, A. Ehteshami, G. Geub and M. Tasi will represent SPAC at this meeting. SPAC members will be asked to return any comments on the forms to the Committee Clerk who will forward them on to the 3 SPAC members approximately a week before the meeting.

The meeting will be held at the West Vancouver Community Centre in the Cedar Room at 7 pm on June 12.

c. 2013 Round One Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund Applications – Discussion & Allocation

P. Penner advised that we now have six active applications for Round One. There were originally nine, three (North Shore Community Garden Society, Silver Harbour Seniors' Activity Centre and North Van Urban Forum) were withdrawn prior to SPAC's review for various reasons.

The six active applications represent a request in the amount of \$42,976. There is a total of \$105,538 available in the Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund for 2013. This includes \$9,907 carried over from 2012. Four of the six applications have been funded by the LLLF previously and evaluation reports for three were included with the applications.

1. Highlands United Church – Shelter to Home – Request: \$6,400, Recommendation: \$6,400

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Good application
- Serves many
- Good volunteer support
- Seems to be sustainable

The following concerns were raised regarding this application:

- Application unclear as to funds needed for website design and marketing

2. St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church – Queen Mary Literacy Program – Request: \$14,776, Recommendation: \$9,000

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Great program, good preventative measure
- Good collaboration with community partners
- Supported by Capilano University

The following concerns were raised regarding this application:

- Unclear to some SPAC members what funds would be used for
- Is this a duplication of service?
- Some members felt that some of these services could be provided by volunteers

3. Vancouver Regiment - Irish Pipes & Drums Society – Youth Drumming – Phase 6 – Youth Involvement with Bands – Request: \$1,300, Recommendation: \$1,300

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Unique program on North Shore
- Benefits youth of Lower Lonsdale area

The following concerns were raised regarding this application:

- Some members were concerned that the program is not showing sustainability

4. Lookout Emergency Aid Society – North Shore Housing Centre – Social Development Program – Request: \$10,000, Recommendation: \$8,000

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Excellent shelter, only one on the North Shore
- Very much needed

The following concerns were raised regarding this application:

- Unsure if this is a duplicate of another Lookout program
- Lack of evaluation report for last funded program

5. North Shore Keep Well Society – Volunteer Health & Nutrition Education & Awareness Project – Request: \$5,500, Recommendation: \$5,500

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Good program.
- Funds requested suit planned purpose.
- Well-run organization with significant volunteer base.

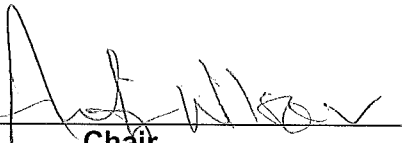
6. North Shore Neighbourhood House – Food Bank Soup and Nutrition Awareness Program – Request: \$5,000, Recommendation: \$5,000

The following points were made in favour of this application:

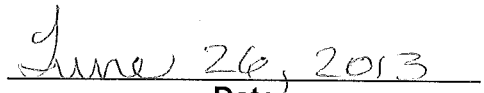
- NSNH is the registered outlet for the Vancouver Food Bank for the North Shore
- Excellent program with good value for money

6. **ADJOURNMENT – 9:00 p.m.**

7. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING – June 26, 2013**



Chair



Date