

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 28, 2014 at 7:00pm

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Antje Wilson, Chair
Nick Bryant
Arash Ehteshami
Ray Moore
Maria Sponza
Steve Tornes

ABSENT:

Rod Clark, Councillor
Tomoko Ito
Mary Tasi, Vice Chair
Donna Zwickel

STAFF:

Paul Penner, Community Planner
Edytha Barker, Committee Clerk

GUESTS:

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 23, 2014 were adopted as circulated.

3. UPDATES

a. Councillor – N/A

b. Staff

- Council has selected North Shore Neighbourhood House as the child care provider and the YWCA as the affordable housing provider for 1308 Lonsdale. The NSNH will lease the space and will co-locate with the Supported Child Development Program. The legal agreements are in process.
- The Squamish Nation and the City have now come to an agreement on the Spirit Trail. The Spirit Trail will now connect between the Mosquito Creek Marina and Bewicke Avenue. Council has approved \$2.4 million dollars towards this process.
- CNV4ME will be the strategy to make the City of North Vancouver more friendly for children, youth and families. There are currently 3 surveys underway to assist in developing this. E. Barker will forward an email with the links to these surveys to SPAC members.

- In response to some complaints of sexual exploitation of youth in North Vancouver, the City will be hosting a workshop by Children of the Streets Society on Wednesday, June 18th at City Hall.
- Pictures in the Plaza will begin again in June and show movies in Civic Plaza on Fridays nights from June 27 – August 22.
- 16 students have begun working with the Vancouver Biennale as part of the Studio in the City youth employment program this year. Students will be creating art, giving tours and hosting arts workshops at Shipbuilders' Square.
- A Family Festival is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, June 21st in Civic Plaza.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Finalize 2014 Community Grants Recommendations

The Draft Council report on the Community Grants recommendations was discussed.

The following motion was moved and seconded:

THAT the Social Planning Advisory Committee, having reviewed the draft report to Council entitled "2014 Community Services Grants Recommendations", approves the recommendations as written in said report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Finalize 2013 Annual Report and 2014 Work Plan

The possibility of changing this report to a Council report with a recommendation was discussed. The committee agreed on this. The following motion was moved and seconded:

THAT the Social Planning Advisory Committee recommends that the Community Grants program and Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund be merged.

AND THAT this merged grant be structured to include two application deadline periods per year.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee Clerk will revise the report to be a Council Report which will include the above recommendation.

ACTION: COMMITTEE CLERK

c. Review and Finalize Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund – 2014 Round 1

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

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Serves basic needs of food and companionship.

- High participation.
- Cost per participant is reasonable.
- Proposal is clear and project is well defined.

SPAC raised no concerns regarding this application.

2. St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church – Queen Mary Literacy Program Lower Lonsdale – Request: \$14,871, Recommendation: \$9,000

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Benefits immigrant families.
- Social aspect of the program is beneficial.
- Costs could become more sustainable as the program becomes more streamlined.

The following concerns were raised regarding this application:

- Seems to be a low amount of participants for the expenses noted.
- Seems to be a lot of money going towards salaries.
- Focus is unclear; mentoring or teaching literacy?
- Would like to see more of a volunteer component.

3. Family Services of the North Shore – Lower Lonsdale Summer Connections – Request: \$10,000, Recommendation: \$7,000

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Nice to see the postpartum group included.
- Great program, very inclusive.

The following concerns were raised regarding this application:

- The committee questioned the cost for rent as this seems to be an outdoor program.
- Costs seem high overall.

4. Hollyburn Family Services Society– Seniors at Housing Risk Outreach Program – Request: \$35,000, Recommendation: \$30,000

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Valuable program, very important.
- Absolute requirement for seniors that can't get out, don't have families or need an advocate.
- Seniors are becoming a larger part of our population all the time.
- This program is consistent with SPAC's advocacy in terms of affordable housing.

The following concerns were raised regarding this application:

- Unclear if the program could still run if these funds are not received.
- Low number of Lower Lonsdale residents served.
- Unsure if this program is sustainable.

SPAC members were initially not in agreement on a recommended amount. The following motion was moved and seconded:

THAT the Social Planning Advisory Committee, having reviewed the application to the Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund from Hollyburn Family Services Society for the Seniors at Housing Risk Outreach Program, recommends a grant in the amount of \$30,000 for this program.

CARRIED 5/1

5. Lookout Emergency Aid Society – North Shore Housing Centre Edible Garden and Park – Request: \$10,000, Recommendation: \$8,000

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Supports community involvement
- Benefits both Lookout residents and the community
- Unique program
- Provides a neutral environment to interact

6. St. Catherine's Anglican Church – Community Thanksgiving Dinner – Request: \$900, Recommendation: \$900

The following points were made in favour of this application:

- Great cost ratio per person.

The following concerns were raised regarding this application:

- Is the dinner open to people all faiths?
- SPAC members wondered about the location of the church in proximity to Lower Lonsdale.

There being no more applications to review, the following motion was introduced, discussed and voted on:

It was moved and seconded:

THAT, the Social Planning Advisory Committee, having reviewed the Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund Round 1 2014 applications and made recommendations on such, approves the recommended amounts as noted.

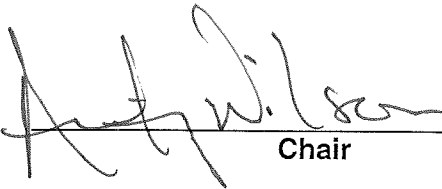
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

d. CityShaping Update – Social Content in the OCP

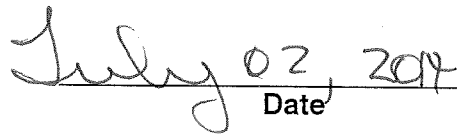
P. Penner referred committee members to the Information Report that was included in the agenda package. This report reflects SPAC's recommendations as to what should change in the draft OCP. This went to Council on May 5 as well as the report on land use changes. Council requested more time and further information. A shirtsleeve session with Council was held Wednesday, May 21st and a public meeting will be held on June 18th. This will be an opportunity for the public to speak on the draft OCP. After that, the timeline will be: report with final revisions to Council

on July 7, report with OCP in bylaw form on July 21 and a public hearing in September. Assuming that goes all well, the next step would be going to the Metro Vancouver Board for final approval.

6. ADJOURNMENT – 8:35 p.m.
7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – June 25, 2014



Chair



Date