

SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 6:30pm Salmon River Committee Room 4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

MINUTES

Present:

S. Higginbotham (Co-Chair) Councillor A. Quaale (Co-Chair)

S. Baker, C. Kaliciak, and J. Megahy

Staff:

P. Tulumello, Director, Arts, Culture, and Community Initiatives

P. Ward, Strategic/Social Planner

K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

The agenda order was varied.

C. <u>DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS</u>

1. Proposed Fort Langley Projects

P. Tulumello presented four projects proposed for Fort Langley for the committee's input. He noted that the initiatives are a re-visioning of existing properties owned by the Township along with properties owned by other governments and government agencies, and right of ways. The four projects presented were:

- Fort to Fort Trail Pedestrian Bridge
- Haldi House Preservation/Housing Initiative and early Fort Langley building relocation
- Kwantlen First Nation (KFN) Sports Fields
- TOL Community/Indigenous Museums mixed development project

The following information was provided:

Pedestrian Bridge - TransCanada Trail

- TOL has had discussions with Fort Langley National Historic Site and Kwantlen First Nation to connect the King Street based museums and the Fort to the riverfront by way of a pedestrian/cycling bridge over the CN Rail corridor and River Road.
- The TransCanada Trail system could be realigned up Mavis Street, past the Museum, and over a new pedestrian overpass.

Haldi House Preservation Project Review (Bedford House)

 TOL is in discussion with the Seyem Qwantlen Business group and another community group to restore and relocate the Jacob Haldi House

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to the east end of the property and restore it to its original configuration. The Haldi House is a heritage home that is presently a part of the Bedford House Property The project could also include some rowing and paddling infrastructure at grade, an art gallery reception space on the first floor, and arts studios on the upper two floors.

 A mixed use housing/commercial development including Artists/Livework spaces, an Arts themed Aboriginal Lodge with underground parking is also being investigated.

Kwantlen First Nation Sports Fields

 KFN has approached Township staff asking whether expertise could be provided for restoration of their sports fields. Staff have been working with them on concepts and design.

Museums – Mixed Development Project

- Designs for a new Cultural Centre for Fort Langley were presented. It
 was reported that the current museum facility will be 60 years old in 2018
 and does not meet present today's standards for museum operations.
- A new facility will allow the museum to meet the increasing demand for programs and services, and will ensure the protection of the Township's collection or art, artifacts, photographs, and documents.
- KFN, through the Seyem Qwantlen Business Group, is working with the Township towards the goal of two museums under one roof and the presentation of history from a local First Nations perspective.
- The museum would include a fixed seating presentation theatre, gallery and exhibition space, school program space, library, archive and storage space, rooftop amenity space, and rental space.

Members of SAC provided some feedback and suggestions to staff relative to memorial benches and community gardens. The projects were well received.

Next steps for these projects include:

- Consultation with Township Advisory committees for their feedback;
- Online survey tol.ca/flp;
- Public Open House February 8, 3:00 8:00pm.

The agenda order then resumed.

Election of 2018 Community Co-Chair

Councillor Quaale asked if anyone was interested in being the Co-Chair for 2018.

- S. Higginbotham volunteered to take on the role.
- C. Kaliciak seconded the nomination.
- S. Higginbotham was elected Co-Chair, by acclamation, and assumed the position for the rest of the meeting.

Code of Ethics Signing

Members signed the "Code of Ethics, Confidentiality, and Conflict of Interest for Council"

A. <u>APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS</u>

1. Seniors Advisory Committee – January 17, 2018

Moved by J. Megahy Seconded by C. Kaliciak,

That the Seniors Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the agenda items of the January 17, 2018 meeting, as amended.

CARRIED

Clerk's Note: Item C.1, "Proposed Fort Langley Projects", was added to the agenda.

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Seniors Advisory Committee - December 18, 2017

Moved by C. Kaliciak Seconded by S. Higginbotham That the Seniors Advisory Committee adopt the Minutes of the December 18, 2017 meeting. CARRIED

D. REPORTS

1. Co-Chair Reports

Councillor Quaale reported that the Maple Gardens, seniors' oriented residential development, received first and second reading on January 15, 2018 and will be going for public hearing on January 29, 2018.

S. Higginbotham reported that the LGBTQ Seniors Group's first meeting is scheduled for January 22 between 12 pm and 2pm at the Timms Recreation Centre. Phoenix Khattab, co-ordinator, Friends of Dorothy (a local LGBTQ2 youth program), Cass Elliot, seniors co-ordinator, Qmunity (a Vancouver-based LGBTQ/2S resource centre), and Barb Stack have offered to drop by to welcome the seniors.

The group is called Seniors of Langley (SOL) and has an email address: seniorsoflangley@gmail.com.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. WORK PROGRAM

1. 2018 Work Program

Consistent with the 2017 Annual Report, the committee expressed an interest in working on dementia and seniors' isolation. The committee noted that it would be helpful to better understand these issues through additional research and presentations before considering potential actions. The committee also acknowledged its role in establishing the Social Sustainability Task Force (tentatively at the February meeting).

In addition, P. Ward noted that the Township was approved for the UBCM Age-Friendly Communities Grant to help implement an age-friendly business recognition pilot program and community gardens (including seniors programming), and that the SAC would have an opportunity to provide input into both of those projects.

Action: P. Ward to send out age-friendly grant materials to SAC.

A prioritized Work Plan will be considered at the February meeting.

2. Social Sustainability Task Force

P. Ward reported that expressions of interest are now coming in for the Task Force and that committee members may wish to start considering, in general terms, its composition (e.g. number of members and sectors / issues that should be represented). The committee is tentatively scheduled to consider expressions of interest at its February meeting.

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Terms of Reference

Provided in package for information.

2. 2018 Meeting Schedule

Provided on table.

3. 2018 Membership List

Provided on table.

4. SAC Picture

Deferred to the February meeting.

N. <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

Date: February 21, 2018

Location: Salmon River Committee Room 4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue

Time: 7:00 pm

O. <u>TERMINATE</u>

The meeting terminated at 9:10pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:	
Community Representative Co-Chair	Council Representative Co-Chair