



SOCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

An Open meeting of the Social Planning Committee was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Wednesday, **2017 February 01** at 6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Councillor Anne Kang, Vice Chair
Councillor James Wang, Member
Trustee Baljinder Narang, School Board Representative
Ms. Noreen Boudreau, Citizen Representative
Mr. Ryan Erwin, Citizen Representative
Mr. Frank Huang, Citizen Representative
Ms. Mary Lumby, Citizen Representative
Mr. Shiraz Nathwani, Citizen Representative
Mr. William Tsai, Citizen Representative (*arrived at 6:03 p.m.*)

ABSENT: Councillor Nick Volkow, Chair (*due to illness*)
Ms. Lubna Abdelrahman, Citizen Representative
VACANT, Citizen Representative
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STAFF: Mr. Craig Collis, Assistant Director – Recreation
Ms. Margaret Manifold, Senior Social Planner
Ms. Kyra Lubell, Social Planner
Ms. Nikolina Vracar, Administrative Officer
Ms. Blanka Zeinabova, Administrative Officer

The Vice Chair called the Open Meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Mr. Tsai arrived at the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

2. MINUTES

A) [Minutes of the Social Planning Committee
Open meeting held on 2016 November 09](#)

MOVED BY TRUSTEE NARANG
SECONDED BY MR. NATHWANI

THAT the minutes of the Social Planning Committee Open meeting held on 2016 November 09 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **PRESENTATION**

MOVED BY MR. HUANG
SECONDED BY MS. BOUDREAU

THAT the presentation be heard.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- A) **[The Burnaby Access Advisory Committee](#)**
Re: 2017 Access Advisory Committee Workplan
Speakers: Nellie Wong
Nickolas Haddad

Ms. Nellie Wong and **Mr. Nickolas Haddad**, representing the Burnaby Access Advisory Committee (BAAC), appeared before the Committee to present information on recent initiatives and the 2017 workplan.

While introducing Ms. Wong and Mr. Haddad to the Committee, staff noted that the BAAC was established in 1988 to provide advice and direction to staff on access and inclusion issues.

Ms. Wong advised that the BAAC addresses a variety of disabilities, including physical, vision and hearing disabilities.

The speakers summarized several initiatives undertaken in 2016, noting some of the access improvements in City facilities, accessibility awareness events, transportation related initiatives, plans and policy consultations, and learning opportunities and initiatives.

In conclusion, Ms. Wong invited the Committee members to attend the "Darius Goes West" film screening at Tommy Douglas Library on 2017 February 06 at 6:30 p.m. The event will commemorate the 2016 United Nations Day of Persons with Disabilities.

Arising from discussion, the Committee introduced the following motion:

MOVED BY TRUSTEE NARANG
SECONDED BY MR. NATHWANI

THAT staff provide a report on standards for accessible infrastructure for people with disabilities and investigate how the City compares to other municipalities on this matter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. **REPORTS**

MOVED BY MR. NATHWANI
SECONDED BY MR. HUANG

THAT the reports be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A) **[Report from the Director Planning and Building](#)** **Re: Burnaby Access Advisory Committee 2017 Workplan**

The Director Planning and Building submitted a report providing a summary of the Burnaby Access Advisory Committee's activities in 2016 and proposing a workplan for 2017.

The Director Planning and Building recommended:

1. THAT the Committee request Council to approve the proposed Burnaby Access Advisory Committee 2017 workplan, as outlined in Section 3.0 of this report.

MOVED BY MS. BOUDREAU
SECONDED BY TRUSTEE NARANG

THAT the recommendation of the Director Planning and Building be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) **[Report from the Director Planning and Building](#)** **Re: Local Government Awareness Week 2017**

The Director Planning and Building submitted a report proposing activities for Burnaby's participation in Local Government Awareness Week 2017.

The Director Planning and Building recommended:

1. THAT Council approve the City's involvement in Local Government Awareness Week 2017, as outlined in Section 2.2 of this report.

MOVED BY TRUSTEE NARANG
SECONDED BY MS. LUMBY

THAT the recommendation of the Director Planning and Building be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. NEW BUSINESS

Mary Lumby

Ms. Lumby advised that Burnaby's first Coldest Night of the Year, an event which raises awareness about homelessness, will be organized on 2017 February 25 at Salvation Army in Metrotown.

Shiraz Nathwani

Mr. Nathwani inquired if the City has specific plans to celebrate Canada's 150th anniversary.

Staff advised that the City's website provides a list of all planned events.

Noreen Boudreau

Ms. Boudreau announced that Nisga'a Hoobiyee 2017 celebration of the moon will take place on 2017 February 3 and February 4 at the Pacific National Exhibition Forum.

Ms. Boudreau also noted that February is a Black History Month.

Staff advised that the National Congress of Black Women Foundation will organize an event at the Burnaby Neighbourhood House in Metrotown on 2017 February 13.

Councillor Kang

Councillor Kang encouraged the Committee members to nominate fellow citizens for the Local Heroes award.

6. INQUIRIES

Noreen Boudreau

Ms. Boudreau inquired regarding an update on the Public Access to Showers report.

Staff advised that they are in the process of organizing a workshop between staff from the City, Fraser Health Authority, and the Society to End Homelessness.

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY MR. NATHWANI
SECONDED BY MS. BOUDREAU

THAT this Open Committee meeting do now adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Open meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Nikolina Vracar
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Councillor Anne Kang
IN THE CHAIR