



City of Hamilton
HAMILTON ABORIGINAL
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AGENDA

Meeting #: 22-01

Date: January 6, 2022

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Due to the COVID-19 and the Closure of City Hall

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1. CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

1.1. Land Acknowledgment

1.2. Call to Order

1.3. Opening Address

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(Added Items, if applicable, will be noted with *)

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3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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4.1. Minutes of December 2, 2021

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9. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

10.1. Updates on Tasks Arising from November 4 and December 2, 2021 Meetings

10.2. Renaming of Aboriginal Advisory Committee

10.3. Replacement Banner/s and Collaboration with Indigenous Relations

10.4. Hamilton Water Issues

10.4.a. Review Questions for Guest

10.4.b. Guests Invitation: Next Steps

10.4.c. Community Forum/Meeting in Spring 2022

10.5. Budget Submission Update

10.6. Presentation of Committee Communications

10.7. Access to Aboriginal Advisory Committee's Approved Minutes

10.8. Recruitment Clarification

10.9. Private and Confidential Agenda Item and In Camera Meetings

10.10. City Website

10.10.a. Committee Officer Listings on Advisory Page

10.10.b. Aboriginal Advisory Committee Page

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Present: Marilyn Wright, Chair
 Connie Bellamy, Vice-chair
 Patty Lawlor, Secretary (Ally/non-voting)
 Allan Loft, Member
 Scott Cruickshank, Member

Also Present: Shelly Hill, Manager, Indigenous Relations, Healthy and Safe Communities (staff)
 Beth Dockstator, Project Manager, Indigenous Initiatives, Healthy and Safe Communities, Children's Services and Neighbourhood Development Division, (staff)
 Sonya Baldwin, Program Secretary, Healthy and Safe Communities, Children's Services and Neighbourhood Development Division (staff)

1. CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES (Item 1)

(i) Land Acknowledgment (Item 1.1)

M. Wright made the acknowledgment.

(ii) Call to Order (Item 1.2)

M. Wright called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

(iii) Opening Address (Item 1.3)

A. Loft said a prayer of Thanksgiving to the Creator in Mohawk and English.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

The Chair advised of the following changes to the agenda:

- Correct 10.4.c. to read: Private and Confidential/In Camera Meetings (M. Wright/P. Lawlor)

December 2, 2021

(C. Bellamy/A. Loft)

That the agenda for the December 2, 2021, meeting of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee be approved as amended.

CARRIED**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)**

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (item 4)**(i) Minutes of November 4, 2021 (Item 4.1)**

The Chair requested the following amendment to 7 (i), second paragraph, first bullet: the Urban Indigenous Strategy Staff Presentation be a quarterly item on agendas or more frequent, if needed.

(C. Bellamy/A. Loft)

That the minutes of the November 4, 2021, meeting of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee be approved as amended

CARRIED**5. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)****(i) Update on Tasks Arising from November 4, 2021, Meeting of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee (Item 10.1)**

Deferred to the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's next meeting.

(ii) Presentation of Committee Communications (Item 10.2)

Deferred to the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's next meeting.

(iii) City Website (Item 10.3)**(a) Committee Officers Listings on Advisory Committee Page (Item 10.3.a)**

Deferred to the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's next meeting.

(b) Aboriginal Advisory Page (Item 10.3.b)

Deferred to the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's next meeting.

(iv) Meeting Reports (Item 10.4)**(a) Banner Collaboration (M. Wright/S. Hill) (Item 10.4(a))**

M. Wright reported that she and S. Hill had met to discuss the potential collaboration. Items they discussed included:

- that a collaboration between the Aboriginal Advisory Committee and the Indigenous Relations program strengthens initiatives
- whether one or multiple banners is preferable due to the number of events/occasions (e.g., dates in May, June, September)
- whether a logo is advantageous
- advisability of a logo competition

Following the report, discussion resulted in the following decisions:

- continue the banner collaboration discussion at the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's January 2022 meeting
- bring back the matter of an Aboriginal Advisory Committee name change to the Committee's January 2022 meeting for further discussion.

In response to a question, S. Hill confirmed that Indigenous Relations program collaborations with the Aboriginal Advisory Committee will be on a cost sharing basis.

(b) Hamilton Water Problems (M. Wright/S. Hill) (Item 10.4(b))

M. Wright led discussion about concerns about water problems in Hamilton.

Discussion resulted in agreement to:

- develop a list of questions for City staff for further discussion at the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's January 6, 2022, meeting
- further discuss organizing a community forum/meeting in Spring 2022 to discuss water issues from a more Indigenous perspective.

(A. Loft /S. Cruickshank)

That, with the assistance of Indigenous Relations program staff, the Aboriginal Advisory Committee will invite an appropriate representative from the City of Hamilton to attend the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's meeting on February 3, 2022 to discuss the water problems in Hamilton.

CARRIED**(c) Private and Confidential/In Camera Meetings (M. Wright/P. Lawlor) (Item 10.4(c))**

Deferred to the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's next meeting.

(v) Recruitment Clarification (Item 10.5)

Deferred to the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's next meeting.

(vi) Visioning for Final Year of Term (Item 10.6)

Deferred to the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's next meeting.

(vi) 2022 Budget Submission (Item 10.7)

M. Wright reviewed the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's 2021 budget and the "City of Hamilton 2022 Advisory Committees Budget Submission Form."

In response to a question, S. Hill replied that the City of Hamilton had not provided staff with any budget planning direction based on the ongoing COVID-19 situation.

Discussion resulted in agreement that:

- Councillor Nann is not a member of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee but City Council's liaison with the Committee
- the Aboriginal Advisory Committee budget submission for 2022 will be for the same funding approved for 2021

(C. Bellamy/S. Cruickshank)

That the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's 2022 Budget Submission be approved as presented.

CARRIED

(viii) Access to Approved Minutes (Item 10.8)

Deferred to the Aboriginal Advisory Committee's January 2022 meeting.

(ix) Meeting Dates for 2022 (Item 10.9)

Discussion resulted in agreement to continue meeting on the first Thursday of the month, including January 6, 2022.

6. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)**(i) Update on Search for the Indigenous Initiatives Project Manager (Item 13.1)**

S. Hill introduced B. Dockstator, the new Project Manager, Indigenous Initiatives, Healthy and Safe Communities, Children's Services and Neighbourhood Development Division.

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B. Dockstator reviewed her background and expressed her interest in meeting and working with Aboriginal Advisory Committee members.

M. Wright welcomed B. Dockstator on behalf of the committee. Committee members introduced themselves.

S. Hill confirmed that S. Baldwin will continue to provide the Committee with support while B. Dockstator settles into her position.

7. ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(i) Closing Address (Item 15.1)

Omitted due to time constraints.

(ii) Adjournment (Item 15.2)

M. Wright expressed best wishes to everyone for Christmas, the New Year, and a safe and happy holiday.

(C. Bellamy/S. Cruickshank)

That the meeting of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

CARRIED

Marilyn Wright, Chair
Aboriginal Advisory Committee

Patty Lawlor, Secretary
Aboriginal Advisory Committee

Next Meeting: January 6, 2022