



Hamilton

**Minutes  
FOOD ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

May 14, 2019

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

City Hall, Room 264, 2nd Floor  
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

**Present:** Maria Biasutti, Elly Bowen, Krista D'aoust, Jordan Geertsma, Vicky Hachey, Drew Johnston, Biniam Mehretab, Mary Ellen Scanlon, Jennifer Silversmith, Barbara Stares, Frank Stinellis, Andrew Sweetnam, Brian Tammi, Vivien Underdown, Edward Whittall, Sandy Skrzypczyk (Staff Liaison)

**Absent with Regrets:** Laurie Nielsen, Kyle Swain, Councillor Merulla

**1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

There were no changes to the agenda.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

N/A - First meeting of the 2019-2022 term.

**4. PRESENTATION**

None

**5. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**5.1.** Members introduced themselves and shared their interest in being part of the Food Advisory Committee.

**5.2.** Presentation on the Orientation to Advisory Committee Procedures by the staff liaison was received. A Chair, Co-Chair/Vice Chair, and Secretary will need to be appointed at the next meeting. Members were asked to consider stepping forward for any of these positions.

**ACTION**

Members interested in putting their name forward for the Chair, Co-Chair, and Secretary positions to send a written expression of interest (short paragraph) to the staff liaison, who will distribute to the whole membership prior to the next meeting.

**5.3.** Review of the Food Advisory Committee Terms of Reference, past accomplishments, and budget was discussed. A facilitated planning discussion to direct

the focus of the Committee's work moving forward will be added to the next meeting agenda. Suggested that time be allocated to explore members' understanding and use of food-related terminology, such as food systems, community food security, etc.

**ACTION**

Invitation will be made to B. Morris from Planning and Economic Development Department to present on the latest Hamilton agricultural profile at the next meeting.

**6. NOTICES OF MOTION**

None

**7. GENERAL INFORMATION & OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.