



## FOOD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Meeting #:** 20-002

**Date:** February 11, 2020

**Time:** 7:00 pm

**Location:** Room 192, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
71 Main Street West

Heather Harvey, Health Promotional Specialist (905) 546-2424 ext. 3635

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**Present:**

Vivien Underdown (Chair), Elly Bowen (Co-Chair), Brian Tammi (Secretary), Maria Biasutti, Krista D'Aoust, Heather Harvey (Staff Liaison), Drew Johnston, Binamin Mehretab, Laurie Nielson, Mary Ellen Scanlon, Jennifer Silversmith, Barbara Stares, Kyle Swain, Andrew Sweetnam

**Absent with regrets:**

Councillor Merulla, Jordan Geertsma, Vicky Hachey, Frank Stinellis

### 1. CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

None

### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**(Stares/ Nielson)**

That the agenda for the February 11, 2020 meeting of the Food Advisory Committee be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**4.1 January 14, 2020**

**(Tammi/Scanlon)**

That the Minutes of the January 14, 2020 meeting of the Food Advisory Committee be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

### 5. COMMUNICATIONS

None

### 6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

None

## **7. CONSENT ITEMS**

### **7.1 Nutritious Food Basket Infographic “how much does healthy eating cost in Hamilton?”**

**(Biasutti/D'Acoust)**

That the Nutritious Food Basket Infographic be received.

**CARRIED**

## **8. PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS**

None

## **9. STAFF PRESENTATIONS**

### **9.1 Climate Change and Food Systems - Trevor Imhoff, Senior Project Manager, Air Quality and Climate Change**

Presentation received by T. Imhoff was received. Discussed climate change initiatives in Hamilton that aim to reduce GHG emissions in line with IPCC targets. FAC members questioned presenter regarding presentation and discussed local climate change issues.

## **10. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **10.1 Work plan**

Members discussed food systems and climate change. Members outlined desire to receive climate change adaptation plan and advise on the working group terms of reference. FAC members discussed need to look for opportunity to advise on upcoming food issues as per our mandate. Staff Liaison will attempt to stay informed of upcoming city initiatives related to the Food Strategy and bring them forward to FAC proactively for comment.

### **10.2 Staff Update**

FAC budget of \$2500 has been referred to budget process.

An updated committee handbook is available online and attendance rules have changed.

Food Strategy Forum notes are being processed and a report is forthcoming.

### **10.3 Member Updates and Food Related Issues**

D. Johnston, M. Scanlon discussed multilingual signage for guidelines regarding consuming fish from Hamilton watershed.

B. Mehretab has been involved in discussions with private parties regarding investment into the creation of a regional Food Hub and has received lots of interest.

E. Bowen requested presentation about waste management study for a future FAC meeting.

## **11. MOTIONS**

None

## **12. NOTICES OF MOTION**

None

## **13 GENERAL INFORMATION/ OTHER BUSINESS**

### **13.1 City of Hamilton Waste Management Survey**

Community consultation complete but we may be able to submit comments. If items for comment are time sensitive FAC members can be emailed.

### **13.2 National Farmers Union of Ontario Conference**

Committee members are invited to attend a public talk "Planning for Climate Resilience" with Lynda Lukasik of Environment Hamilton that is part of the National Farmer Union of Ontario Conference on April 25, 2020.

## **14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL**

None

## **15. ADJOURNMENT**

### **(Johnston/Nielson)**

That there be no further business, the Food Advisory Committee be adjourned at 9:00 PM.

**CARRIED**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**V. Underdown, Chair  
Food Advisory Committee**

**Heather Harvey  
Staff Liaison  
Public Health Services**