



Hamilton

MINUTES
LGBTQ Advisory Committee
Tuesday, October 19, 2021
6:00 PM - 7:17 PM
Webex

Present: Rebecca Banky, Gregory Cousins, James Diemert, Autumn Getty, Cameron Kroetsch (Chair), Jake Maurice, Violetta Nikolskaya (Vice Chair), Ashley Paton, Kyle Weitz, Councillor Maureen Wilson (City Council Appointee)

Regrets: Will Fujarczuk, Kieran Thiara, Terri Wallis (LOA)

Absent: Freja Gray, Lisa-Marie Johnston, Shaiden Keaney

Staff: Sunil Angrish (Staff Liaison), Taline Morris (Talent and Diversity)

Guests: None

1. Welcome and Introductions

C. Kroetsch took roll call.

Sunil Angrish, Project Manager, Community Inclusion & Equity, City Manager's Office, Government and Community Relations, City of Hamilton, was introduced as the new Staff Liaison for the Committee.

2. Land Acknowledgement

V. Nikolskaya provided a Land Acknowledgement.

3. Approval of Agenda

(J. Diemert / R. Banky)

That the Agenda for today's meeting be approved, with the following amendments -

- Item 8.9, Member Attendance, be added to Discussion Items; and
- Item 6.2, a delegation request from Councillor Maureen Wilson respecting the improvements to HAAA Park, be added to Delegation Requests.

CARRIED

4. Declarations of Interest

None

5. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

(R. Banky / A. Paton)

That the Minutes from the September 21, 2021 meeting be approved.

CARRIED

6. Delegation Requests

- 6.1** Mike Field, Director (Acting), Transportation Operations & Maintenance, City of Hamilton, respecting a Rainbow Crosswalk in Waterdown (For the November 2021 meeting).

(R. Banky / J. Maurice)

That the delegation request be approved.

CARRIED

- 6.2** Councillor Maureen Wilson, respecting plans at HAAA park (For a future meeting).

(A. Paton / R. Banky)

That the delegation request be approved.

CARRIED

7. Communications

- 7.1 Rebecca Moran, 2S&LGBTQIA+ Liaison, Hamilton Police Service**

Committee members discussed correspondence received from Rebecca Moran indicating that there was a status update about the Pride 2019 Independent Review. Staff will inquire if Rebecca Moran would like to delegate to a future meeting as Committee members had questions regarding the information that was shared.

8. Discussion Items

8.1 Updates on outstanding Citizen Committee Reports (C. Kroetsch, P. Kajiura)

C. Kroetsch advised that the last Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting was cancelled and that the Citizen Committee Report respecting the Committee's June Community Conversation would be coming forward to the meeting that was rescheduled.

8.2 Updates from Working Groups

- **Changing the Name of the Committee (W. Fujarczuk)**
 - No update
- **Reviewing and Updating Committee Materials**
 - No update

8.3 Outstanding Business List Items

- **Rescheduling, Choosing a Location for, and Inviting Facilitators to a Committee Training and Planning Day**
 - No discussion
- **Changing the Food for Committee Meetings**
 - No discussion

8.4 December Committee Meeting

Committee members discussed options for the December meeting. Staff will inquire with the office of the City Clerk if a Committee event is permissible.

8.5 Donations from the Committee's budget

The Committee agreed to donate unused funds from its 2021 budget to community organizations. Staff will check with the City's Finance Department to find out if a Citizen Committee Report is required or if a Committee motion would be sufficient.

8.6 Annual Presentation

C. Kroetsch advised that he would be giving the Committee's Annual Presentation, which is an update of the work that has been done at the Committee during this calendar year, at a meeting of the Emergency and Community Services Committee. C. Kroetsch will reach out to the Legislative Coordinator for that Committee to find out more about the timing of the presentation and will report back.

8.7 Update from Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities' Transportation Working Group (R. Banky, J. Maurice).

J. Maurice and A. Getty provided an update after attending the Virtual Collaborative Roundtable Event. They advised that the event was more of a presentation from DARTS, HSR and Blue Line Taxi and did not provide much opportunity to ask questions or raise key issues. C. Kroetsch suggested creating a correspondence with feedback to be sent to the organizing Committee. J. Maurice, A. Getty, and others will meet informally to discuss sending correspondence.

8.8 Update about the Two-Spirit and LGBTQIA+ Engagement Survey (G. Cousins)

G. Cousins updated that Dr. Tina Fetner has declined third party input while the survey is being completed. Dr. Fetner indicated that the best time for the Committee to provide input would be after the survey is completed.

8.9 Member Attendance

J. Diemert advised that there is a Committee member that has missed meetings for more than 3 months. They requested staff follow up with the absent member and report back at the next meeting.

9. Notices of Motion

9.1 Election of a Chair, Vice Chair and Recording Secretary for 2022 (for the November 2021 meeting)

9.2 Donations from the 2021 Committee budget (for the Committee's November 2021 meeting)

10. Announcements

10.1 Building the Hamilton 2SLGBTQ+ Community Archive

Registration is now open for the upcoming virtual roundtables on Building the Hamilton 2SLGBTQ+ Community Archive. Visit <https://buildingthearchive.hamont.org> to register for the upcoming free Zoom event taking place on Thursday, October 21 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM.

10.2 Trans Day of Remembrance, November 20, 2021

A. Getty advised that the Trans Day of Remembrance is coming up and she will be seeking funding from the Committee for related events. This will be added as an agenda item for the next meeting.

10.3 City Enrichment Fund

S. Angrish advised that the City Enrichment Fund is now open for applications. The deadline for applications is November 1, 2021 at 4:30 PM. Applications can be submitted at www.hamilton.ca/cityenrichmentfund.

11. Adjournment

(R. Banky / G. Cousins)

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 7:17 PM.

CARRIED