



Hamilton

MINUTES
LGBTQ Advisory Committee
Tuesday, January 18, 2021
6:00 PM – 6:50 PM
Webex

Present: Rebecca Banky (Chair), Gregory Cousins, James Diemert, Cameron Kroetsch, Jake Maurice, William Fularczuk, Violetta Nikolskaya (Vice Chair), Ashley Paton (Recording Secretary), Kyle Weitz, Kieran Thiara, Councillor Maureen Wilson (City Council Appointee)

Regrets: Terri Wallis (Leave of Absence)

Absent: Lisa-Marie Johnston, Shaiden Keaney, Autumn Getty

Staff: Sunil Angrish (Staff Liaison), Jennifer Hohol (Staff Liaison)

1. **Welcome and Introductions**

R. Banky took roll call.

2. **Land Acknowledgement**

V. Nikolskaya provided a Land Acknowledgement.

3. Approval of Agenda

(C. Kroetsch / G. Cousins)

That the Agenda for today's meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest.

5. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

(V. Nikolskaya / W. Fularczuk)

That the LGBTQ Advisory Committee approve the minutes from the December 21, 2021 meeting, with the following amendments: revised spelling of "Patton" in 8.2 (revised to "Paton"); and member W. Fularczuk be added to the members present

CARRIED

6. Discussion Items (Item 11)

(i) Updates on outstanding Citizen Committee Reports (C. Kroetsch)

- **Accessible Captioning for Advisory Committee Meetings (December 2020) (S. Angrish)**

Staff advised that no definitive date of release has been provided.

- **Appointment of Additional Committee Members (November 2021)**

Existing applicants will be contacted, and the Interview Sub-Committee will make recommendations to Council. No further status of review of applicant pool and selection process.

- **Changes to the Draft Code of Conduct for Advisory Committees (November 2021)**

C. Kroetsch and R. Banky delegated to Special General Issues Committee on January 17, 2021, presented and spoke to report and recommendations contained in report. Outcome of delegation will be decided upon at a later Council date.

(ii) Updates from Working Groups

(a) Changing the Name of the LGBTQ Advisory Committee (W. Fujarczuk)

Discussion - Will has reached out to multiple organizations and an individual who identifies as Two Spirit. Asks committee members who know two-spirit individuals within the city and who might have an interest in participating in process to reach out to W. Fujarczuk

(b) Reviewing and Updating Committee Materials

Clarification provided to Committee that the scope of materials that are to be reviewed by the working group are the Terms of Reference, Mandate, and Pamphlet.

(iii) Outstanding Business List Items

(a) Rescheduling, Choosing a Location for, and Inviting Facilitators to a Committee Training and Planning Day

Discussion - Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, in-person meetings are not permitted. The Committee's budget request associated with hosting this in-person meeting was approved, but the scheduling of the meeting will need to be postponed until a time at which in-person meetings are permitted.

(b) Changing the Food for Committee Meetings

No discussion

(c) 2022 Workplan of the LGBTQ Advisory Committee

No meetings are permitted between September 28, 2022 and November 17, 2022 given the municipal election. Meetings will continue after November 17, 2022 until such time that new members are appointed.

(d) Annual events or programming

The following items were discussed:

- Trans Day of Remembrance,
- Pride,
- Community Conversation and decision on flag raising (in-person if possible in Council Chambers),
- accessible captioning (target for a citizen committee report to be prepared for February meeting which will recommend a deadline for which accessible captioning is to be provided on the WebEx platform)

(e) Working Groups/Task forces

No Discussion

6.1 Review of the Advisory Committee Handbook

- Members were advised to review the handbook to ensure they are familiar with the processes.

7. Adjournment

(C. Kroetsch / G. Cousins)

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 6.50 PM.

CARRIED