



Hamilton

MINUTES **LGBTQ Advisory Committee**

Tuesday, May 17, 2021

6:00 PM – 7:25 PM

Webex

Present: Rebecca Banky (Chair), Gregory Cousins, James Diemert, Jake Maurice, William Fajarczuk, Violetta Nikolskaya (Vice Chair), Ashley Paton (Recording Secretary), Keston Roberts, Councillor Maureen Wilson (City Council Appointee), Shaiden Keaney

Regrets: Terri Wallis (Leave of Absence), Cameron Kroetsch, Kyle Weitz

Absent: Freja Gray (resigned), Kieran Thiara, Autumn Getty, Lisa-Marie Johnston,

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

1. Ceremonial Activities

1.1 Land Acknowledgement

V. Nikolskaya and J. Maurice gave the Land Acknowledgement

2. Approval of Agenda

That the agenda for the May 17, 2022 meeting be approved, as presented.

(J. Diemert /A. Paton)

CARRIED

3. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest.

4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion to defer approval of minutes to the June 21 meeting to ensure Clerk's comments (re: formatting) are addressed in the minutes for the April 19, 2022 meeting

(J. Diemert / G. Cousins)

CARRIED

5. Staff Presentations

5.1 Jennifer Hohol, Senior Project Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities, Staff Follow-Up on LGBTQ Advisory Committee Citizen Committee Report, Respecting Recommendations from the Community Conversation

MOTION: That the presentation be received.

CARRIED

(J. Diemert /S. Keaney)

6. Discussion Items

6.1 Updates on outstanding Citizen Committee Reports

6.1.a Accessible Captioning for Advisory Committee Meetings

Discussion: J. Maurice/R. Banky attended Emergency Services Committee. Members of Advisory Committee are able to use captioning/live transcription within WebEx now (a recent change). Captioning not yet

available for public-facing stream (i.e., YouTube).

6.1.b – Citizen Committee Report – Monthly Finance Updates from City Staff (December 2021)

Discussion: S. Angrish noted that the response from the Clerk's office stated that no Citizen Committee Report is required for Committee's requests. Requests can go through S. Angrish, which will go through the Clerk's office, which will be directed to the Finance Department. Response will be provided either in writing or a staff member will attend the Advisory Committee to provide verbal response.

6.1.c – Citizen Committee Report – All Advisory Committee Events for 2022 (December 2021)

Motion: To not move forward with the "All Advisory Committee Events for 2022" citizen committee report at this time.

(G. Cousins/J. Maurice)
CARRIED

10.1.d – Citizen Committee Report – Advisory Committee Integration into Staff Work Plan (Dec 2021)

Discussion: Rebecca and James will rewrite the CCR to provide detailed historical examples and clarity as to the scope of the Committee's request

6.2 Updates from Working Groups

6.2.a Changing the Name of the Committee (W. Fularczuk)

Discussion: In conversation with three (3) Two Spirit individuals; all agreed with changing the name but want to make sure change is not in name alone but will

incorporate of advocacy work. Possible name options: 2S/LGBTQIA+, LGBTQ2S, or “Two Spirit and LGBTQ”.

Working group directed to prepare short list of name changes and refine a possible survey for name change.

6.2.b Reviewing and Updating Committee Materials

No update.

6.3 Outstanding Business List Items

6.3.a Rescheduling, Choosing a Location for, and Inviting Facilitators to a Committee Training and Planning Day

No update.

6.3.b 2022 Workplan

Discussion: Common practice of the Committee is to cancel June’s meeting. Given future meetings will be cancelled due to Election (October, November), the Committee discussed. August meeting must be at least 2 weeks before the last Emergency and Community Services Committee (September 22, 2022). Current date of August 16, 2022 is appropriate.

6.4 2022 Pride Plans, including pride actions and celebrations, flag raising, events, community conversations, in person or virtual/hybrid events

Motion: To direct staff to make a formal request with the Mayor’s Office and to work with the Mayor’s office staff to have the Hamilton sign at City Hall illuminate with an array of eight (8) colours (in the order of black, brown, red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple) that is representative of all elements of the Progress Pride Flag, save for the Trans Pride Flag elements, for as many days as possible in the month of June.

Motion: To direct staff make a formal request with the Mayor's Office and to work with the Mayor's office staff to have the Hamilton sign at City Hall illuminate with light blue, pink, white, pink, and light blue for Trans Day of Remembrance (November 20, 2022) and International Trans Day of Visibility Celebration (March 31, 2023).

(J. Diemert / K. Roberts)

CARRIED

7. Adjournment

MOTION: That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 7:24pm

(J. Diemert / G. Cousins)

CARRIED