

Seniors Advisory Committee October 6, 2023 Minutes 23-10 2:00pm - 4:00pm

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#### In Attendance:

David Broom, Marjorie Wahlman, Alexander Huang, Kamal Jain, Penelope Petrie (Chair), Ann Elliott, Maureen McKeating, Marian Toth, Aref Alshaikhahmed, Barry Spinner

#### Also, in Attendance:

Lisa Maychak, Project Manager, Healthy & Safe Communities Department, Carmen Bian, Senior Policy Analyst, Healthy and Safe Communities, Graeme Wallace, Program Secretary, Healthy & Safe Communities Department

## **Absent with Regrets:**

Peter Lesser, Sheryl Boblin

- 1. CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES (Item 1)
- (i) Land Acknowledgement presented by A. Elliot
  - A. Elliot read the Land Acknowledgement.

## 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

#### (M. Wahlman/A. Alshaikhahmed)

That the Seniors Advisory Committee approves the October 6, 2023 agenda, as amended. **CARRIED** 

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) September 8, 2023 (Item 4.1)

The date of meeting was missing from previous meeting minutes.

#### (M. Wahlman/D.Broom)

That the Seniors Advisory Committee approves the September 8, 2023 minutes, as amended.

**CARRIED** 

## 4. STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 9)

# (i) Carmen Bian, Social Policy Analyst, respecting the City Enrichment Fund, City of Hamilton (Item 9.1)

Carmen Bian, Social Policy Analyst presented to the Seniors Advisory Committee about the city Enrichment Fund. Their presentation included details regarding the annual community grants program which consists of seven program areas. The presentation included an evaluation process, and the recruitment process for community reviewers of grant applications.

# (M. Wahlman/A. Alshaikhahmed)

That the presentation respecting the City Enrichment Fund, City of Hamilton be received.

**CARRIED** 

## 5. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

## (i) Results from the Seniors Kick off Questionnaire

Seniors Advisory Committee member A. Huang reviewed the results of the questionnaire that was distributed to participants and exhibitors at the Seniors Kick off event that was hosted on June 20, 2023 at Sackville Hill Seniors Centre. A. Huang offered to share the results of the questionnaire with Seniors Advisory Committee members. There was an opportunity for questions to be asked after the presentation.

#### (M.Wahlman/D.Broom)

That the update respecting the Results from the Seniors Kick Off Questionnaire, be received.

**CARRIED** 

## 6. GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

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That the following items be received:

# (i) Future of City of Hamilton Advisory Committees

L. Maychak indicated that there is currently a review of all advisory committees but that the Seniors Advisory Committee will continue to meet.

#### (ii) Future Presentations

L. Maychak requested suggestions for future presentations at Seniors Advisory Committee meetings. D. Broom suggested a presentation from the Regional Coroner regarding the cause of deaths in long-term care homes. A. Huang suggested a presentation from Natalie Mehra, Executive Director of the Ontario Health Coalition. Additional topics including elder abuse prevention and palliative care. P. Petrie offered to share information about elder abuse prevention from other municipalities.

#### (iii) Senior of the Year Awards

L. Maychak indicated that four tickets are available for Seniors Advisory Committee members through sponsorship. B. Spinner, M. Toth and A. Elliot accepted the tickets.

# (iv) Resignation of Seniors Advisory Committee Member Steve Benson

Seniors Advisory Committee members received this resignation.

# (v) International Day of Older Persons Event

Seniors Advisory Committee member B. Spiner indicated that the event could have been more well attended but that presentations and exhibitors offered valuable information.

**CARRIED** 

## 7. ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(M.Wahlman/D.Broom)

That the Seniors Advisory Committee be adjourned at 4:01 pm.

**CARRIED** 

Next Meeting: November 3, 2023