

City of Maple Ridge Social Policy Advisory Committee AGENDA

Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 6:00 pm Held via Zoom Teleconference

Meeting Access Information

To practice social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic we will be holding the Social Policy Advisory Committee (SPAC) meeting via Zoom teleconference. Members of SPAC and the public are asked to join the meeting from home using the following access information:

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Dial: 1-778-907-2071 Meeting ID: 915 2831 7251 Passcode: 167600

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES March 24, 2021
- 4. DELEGATIONS
 - 4.1 Introduction to the Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness (MACAI) Petra Frederick, Recreation and Community Engagement
- NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - 5.1 Cities Reducing Poverty 2021 Membership Discussion
 - 5.2 Anti-Discrimination Policy
 - 5.3 Respectful Workplace Policy
- 6. LIAISON UPDATES
 - 6.1 Staff Liaison
 - 6.2 Council Liaison
- 7. TASK FORCE UPDATES
 - 7.1. 2021 SPAC Work Plan
- 8. QUESTION PERIOD
- 9. ROUNDTABLE
 - 9.1. Youth Strategy
 - 9.2. Community Action Team (CAT)
- 10. ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting: July 7, 2021

Agenda Submission Deadline: June 30, 2021

QUESTION PERIOD

Question Period provides the public with the opportunity to ask questions or make comments on subjects that are of concern to them. Each person will be given 2 minutes to speak.

Up to ten minutes in total is allotted for Question Period.



City of Maple Ridge Social Policy Advisory Committee MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Social Policy Advisory Committee (SPAC) held via Zoom teleconference on March 24, 2021 at 6:02 pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Svendsen, Vice Chair Council Liaison
Blaire Mikoda, Chair Member at Large
Brenna Ayliffe Fraser Health

Elaine Yamamoto School District No. 42 Trustee - Alternate

Eileen Dwillies Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Katzie Seniors Network

Maria Perretta Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Katzie Community Network - Alternate

Marissa Stalman Member at Large

STAFF PRESENT

Tony Cotroneo Staff Liaison/Manager, Community Engagement

Erin Mark Clerk 3

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Sim Khurme Youth Member at Large Tarel Swansky Member at Large

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2021-007

It was moved and seconded

That the March 24, 2021 Social Policy Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda be approved.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

R/2021-008

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Social Policy Advisory Committee meeting dated January 6, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Cities Reducing Poverty 2021 Membership

Jill Zacharias, BC Manager of Growth and Impact, Tamarack Institute provided a presentation on the Vibrant Communities - Cities Reducing Poverty program that is comprised of over 330 municipalities that harness the assets of communities and drive long-term change to develop and implement plans to reduce poverty in communities. Members asked Ms. Zacharias questions about membership structure and inclusions and participation of other similar-sized communities.

Ms. Zacharias left the meeting and the Committee continued the discussion on the City participating in the Vibrant Communities program.

R/2021-009

It was moved and seconded

That discussion on the Cities Reducing Poverty Membership be tabled until the next Social Policy Advisory Committee meeting to allow staff and members to review the membership offerings and speak to other municipalities participating in the Vibrant Communities programs.

CARRIED

5. QUESTION PERIOD - NIL

6. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. LIAISON UPDATES

7.1 Staff Liaison

The Staff Liaison shared that the City's Ambassador programs operating in City Hall and in community parks will be continuing through the summer and that a youth mentorship component will be added. He also provided an update on a Phase 2 UBCM grant for Poverty Reduction and announced that David Boag, General Manager of Parks, Recreation and Culture has retired and the new General Manager, Scott Hartman, begins March 29, 2021.

7.2 Council Liaison

Councillor Svendsen shared that there is a new Officer in Charge at the Ridge Meadows RCMP detachment and also spoke about the City's newly established Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee.

Committee members enquired about a Mental Health Liaison Officer position at the Ridge Meadows RCMP. The Staff Liaison will report back to the Committee on what resources are provided in this area through the RCMP and the Community Safety program.

8. TASK FORCE UPDATES

8.1 2021 SPAC Work Plan

The Staff Liaison provided an update on the 2021 work plan which contains one carryover item from 2020 (Primary Care Network Community Workshop), Community Workshops, support for the community engagement process for the Food Security Needs Assessment and a Community Safety Plan update for service providers.

8.2 Youth Strategy

Brenna Ayliffe provided an update on the Youth Planning Table that is currently identifying action items that can be completed in 2021. She shared details on several ongoing virtual engagement activities educating about vaping and mental health.

Note: A member of the public joined the virtual meeting at this time and the Chair enquired if she had any questions for the Committee. Ms. Duncan asked a question regarding the Chronic Disease Working Group which was answered by Brenna Ayliffe.

8.3 Community Action Team (CAT)

Brenna Ayliffe shared that the Strengthening Resilience forum that was cancelled last spring due to COVID restrictions will be offered this May in a virtual format. The "Building Resilience" event will be held in the evening and is open to all to attend, details will be provided to the Committee when they are finalized.

9. ROUNDTABLE

Members provided verbal reports on relevant events, activities and social policy topics.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Social Policy Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

Blaire Mikoda, Chair

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