



URBAN INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

July 15, 2024

A meeting of the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee was held on Monday, July 15, 2024, at 5:40 pm, in the Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall, and via electronic means.

PRESENT:

Suzette Amaya
Nicole Cardinal
Steven Eastman
Mathew Fleury
Erik Hunter*
Taylor Scott*
Drew Stewart

ABSENT:

Troy Abromaitis
Leona Brown (Leave of Absence)
Annita Mcphee
Kwákwaýel7simia Nahanee

ALSO PRESENT:

Councillor Adriane Carr, Council Liaison
Commissioner Scott Jensen, Vancouver Board of Parks
and Recreation Liaison
Trustee Janet Fraser, Vancouver School Board Liaison
Rachel Wuttunee, Senior Manager, Urban Indigenous
Relations, Staff Liaison
Diana Day, Reconciliation Planner, Vancouver Board of
Parks and Recreation

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Kevin Burris, Manager, Civic Agencies

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

The Manager, Civic Agencies, provided a land acknowledgement and members participated in a roundtable check-in.

Modified Procedures

MOVED by Steven Eastman
SECONDED by Suzette Amaya

THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee suspend the rule of section 15.13 of the *Procedure By-law* in order to allow modified decision-making methods during

the meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Taylor Scott absent for the vote)

Leave of Absence Requests

THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee approve leaves of absence for Leona Brown for this meeting.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS
(Taylor Scott absent for the vote)

Approval of Minutes

THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of Monday, May 13, 2024, as circulated.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS
(Taylor Scott absent for the vote)

1. Committee Appointments

THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee appoint Suzette Amaya and Steven Eastman as Committee Co-Chairs for a period ending December 31, 2024.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

THAT Taylor Scott be appointed to the Staff Engagement Request Review Subcommittee.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

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At this point in the meeting, Steven Eastman assumed the Chair.

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2. Municipal Election Report Back and Future Planning

Staff from Election Services provided a presentation and responded to questions and comments.

3. Trans, Gender Diverse and Two-Spirit Inclusion (TGD2S) Action Plan Renewal

Staff from Arts, Culture & Community Services provided a presentation and responded to questions and comments.

4. Granville Street Planning Program Recommendation Motion

WHEREAS

1. On [January 31, 2023](#), Council passed a motion approving the preparation of the Granville Street Planning Program, which included a directive to consider a bold vision for developing a significant new destination public space that could include a range of uses such as, but not limited to, outdoor performance areas, gathering and activity spaces, patios, and outdoor dining; and
2. On March 18, 2024, the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee received a presentation from staff on the development of the Granville Street Planning Program, and identifying the following themes as opportunities for input:
 - i. Safe and Welcoming;
 - ii. Arts and Culture;
 - iii. Public Space and Transportation;
 - iv. Economy and Tourism;
 - v. Buildings, Heritage and Character;
 - vi. Affordable Housing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee recommends that the City take the opportunity afforded by the Granville Street Planning Program to set new, improved benchmarks for providing community safety, support, and connection to nature in an urban setting, and apply the lessons learned to other community revitalization and neighbourhood plans throughout Vancouver.
- B. THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee recommends that in developing the Granville Street Planning Program, the following measures be considered for the surrounding area, and that commensurate funding be allocated:
 - i. Ensuring designated safe, lighted, traffic-controlled spaces are available for drop-offs and pick-ups by taxis and ride-hailing services, similar to those found in Skytrain stations;
 - ii. Ensuring safe spaces are available for intoxicated people to avoid vulnerability on the street;
 - iii. Ensuring that Indigenous public art by artists from both the Host Nations and Urban Indigenous communities, and Indigenous concerts and cultural events, are prominently featured;
 - iv. Ensuring Indigenous businesses and tourism are supported and encouraged to facilitate economic growth for Indigenous communities, and that permitting and procurement processes are implemented through an

equity lens;

- v. Ensuring residents of existing SROs, shelters, and affordable market housing are not displaced, and that meaningful, trauma-informed homelessness outreach is conducted;
 - vi. Recognizing the difficult and complicated relationship between the police and Indigenous communities, and ensuring that police and organizations supporting the area partner with trauma-informed support workers to create a safe welcoming and inclusive district that meets the needs of equity-deserving communities;
 - vii. Ensuring the inclusion of abundant green space and tree canopy.
- C. THAT the Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee request to participate in Phase 2 engagement activities for the Granville Street Planning Program, and request that staff return with an update in Fall 2024.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

5. Working Session Updates, June 17, 2024

The Chair provided an update on the working session held Monday, June 17, 2024, at which Committee members discussed the following:

- Staff guidelines for Committee presentations;
- Granville Street Planning Program recommendation motion.

6. Liaison Updates

All liaisons present provided updates or comments in addition to previously circulated updates.

7. Subcommittee Updates

None.

8. New Business

The Committee discussed the temporary firehall proposed for 722 Gore Avenue, and the potential loss of green space in Chinatown and the Downtown Eastside.

ADJOURNMENT

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS
(Erik Hunter absent for the vote)

Next Meeting:

DATE: Monday, September 16, 2024
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall
/ Webex Online

The Committee adjourned at 7:41 pm.

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