Township of Langley

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# SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 7:00pm
Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338-65 Avenue, Langley, BC

## MINUTES

**Present:**
S. Hedao, Community Co-Chair
Councillor S. Ferguson, Council Co-Chair

P. Chhina, K. Mackie, L. Solomon, T. Taylor, and M. Vizcaino

**Staff:**
P. Ward, Manager, Strategic and Social Planning
K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

**Welcome and Introductions**

Councillor Ferguson welcomed everyone, and round-table introductions took place.

**Code of Ethics Signing**

Members signed the *"Code of Ethics, Confidentiality, and Conflict of Interest for Council Members and Appointees"* and submit electronically.

## A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

### 1. Seniors Advisory Committee – February 15, 2023

Moved by P. Chhina,
Seconded by K. Mackie,
That the Seniors Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the agenda items of the February 15, 2023 meeting.
**CARRIED**

## B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

### 1. Seniors Advisory Committee – July 20, 2022

Moved by K. Mackie,
Seconded by L. Solomon,
That the Seniors Advisory Committee receive the Notes of the July 20, 2022 meeting.
**CARRIED**

## B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

### 2. Seniors Advisory Committee – June 15, 2022

Moved by K. Mackie,
Seconded by L. Solomon,
That the Seniors Advisory Committee adopt the Minutes of the June 15, 2022 meeting.
**CARRIED**

## C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

## D. REPORTS

### 1. Council Co-Chair Report

Councillor Ferguson reported that a new Mayor and Council were elected last October and that they are working on implementing new priorities.

**Election of Community Co-Chair**

L. Solomon nominated S. Hedao to be Community Co-Chair for 2023.
T. Taylor seconded the nomination.

S. Hedao was elected as Community Co-chair for 2023, by acclamation, and assumed the position of Chair.

## E. CORRESPONDENCE

## F. WORK PROGRAM

### 1. Orientation to the SAC

Staff provided a brief overview of the SAC Terms of Reference, the Township's Age- and Dementia-friendly Action Plan, and the SAC's 2022 Work Plan.

Terms of Reference address:

- Purpose of SAC
- Mandate
- Composition and structure
- Roles and responsibilities
- Meetings
- Subcommittees and task forces

## F. WORK PROGRAM

Age- and Dementia-friendly Action Plan:

- Endorsed by Council in December 2021
- 27 new actions with a 5-year implementation timeframe
- 5 priority areas:
    - Civic Participation and Employment
    - Communication and Information
    - Places and Mobility
    - Community Support and Health
    - Social Connection and Participation

List of 2022 SAC Work Plan projects that were worked on throughout the year:

- Accessible and affordable housing
- Age- and Dementia-friendly Businesses
- Social isolation and Seniors' Centres
- Community health
- Impact of climate change and extreme weather on seniors
- Partnerships and liaison

### 2. 2023 Work Plan

The committee discussed potential areas/projects to focus on in the 2023 Work Plan. The following ideas were suggested

- Volunteering opportunities to assist seniors:
    - "Safe Seniors, Strong Communities" – United Way
    - Langley volunteers
- Housing:
    - Affordability
    - Adaptable housing
    - Tiny homes
    - Senior- friendly rental board
    - Seniors living in illegal suites and unsafe conditions
    - Matching seniors and students
- Snow clearing for seniors
- Gathering places for seniors that are not just community centres
- Presentation from the Langley Division of Family Practice regarding the Primary Care Network.
- A Seniors' "Board" similar to the Langley School Board.

## G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

### 1. Potholes

The committee received the correspondence from the December 8, 2022 Council Distribution List regarding sidewalks and potholes near Fernridge Manufactured Home Park, and will incorporate the discussion into the 2023 work plan.

## H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

### 1. Terms of Reference

Provided for information.

### 2. 2023 Meeting Schedule

Provided for information.

### 3. 2023 Membership List

Deferred to next meeting.

### 4. Age- and Dementia-friendly Action Plan

Provided for information.

### 5. 2022 Work Plan

Provided for information.

### 6. SAC Photo

Deferred to next meeting.

## I. NEXT MEETING

**Date**: Wednesday, March 15, 2023
**Location**: Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338-65 Avenue, Langley, BC
**Time**: 7:00pm

## J. TERMINATE

Moved by P. Chhina,
Seconded by L. Solomon,
That the meeting terminate at 9:00pm.
**CARRIED**

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

Community Representative Co-Chair

Council Representative Co-Chair