SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 7:00pm
Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338-65 Avenue, Langley, BC

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1. Seniors Advisory Committee – September 20, 2023

Recommendation that the Seniors Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the agenda items of the September 20, 2023 meeting.

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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1. Seniors Advisory Committee – June 21, 2023

Recommendation that the Seniors Advisory Committee adopt the Minutes of the June 21, 2023 meeting.

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Extreme Heat Planning Study: Langley Cool Parks

Invited presenters: Jacqueline Lowe, Project Manager, Parks Design and Development, and Sarah Maleska, Environmental Sustainability Coordinator, Sustainability

D. REPORTS

1. Co-Chair Reports

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. WORK PROGRAM

1. 2023 Work Plan - Update

Committee update and discussion

2. Senior's Tea

3. Seniors Recreational Pass

Follow up from the June 21 SAC meeting.

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

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1. Committee Member Updates

I. NEXT MEETING

Date: Wednesday, October 18, 2023
Location: Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338-65 Avenue, Langley, BC
Time: 7:00pm

J. TERMINATE

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SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 7:00pm
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MINUTES

Present:
Mayor E. Woodward
S. Hedao, Community Co-Chair
Councillor T. Baillie, Council Co-Chair
Councillor S. Ferguson, Council Co-Chair

S. Baker, S. Bennett, P. Chhina, K. Mackie, S. Soheili, S. Thompson, and T. Taylor

In Attendance:
P. Crump, Langley Seniors in Action

Staff:
A. Jensen, Manager, Strategic and Social Planning
K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

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S. Hedao acknowledged the Traditional Territories of the Coast Salish Peoples.

A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Seniors Advisory Committee – June 21, 2023

Moved by S. Soheili,
Seconded by P. Chhina,
That the Seniors Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the agenda items of the June 21, 2023 meeting.
CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Seniors Advisory Committee – May 17, 2023

Moved by S. Soheili,
Seconded by S. Thompson,
That the Seniors Advisory Committee adopt the Minutes of the May 17, 2023 meeting.
CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

D. REPORTS

1. Co-Chair Reports

Councillor Ferguson reported that he attended a Metro Vancouver Indigenous Committee meeting and the Council of Councils meeting at the Langley Events Centre.

Councillor Baillie discussed a potential further reduced Seniors Recreational Pass.

Action: Staff to investigate what other municipalities do and report back to the committee.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. WORK PROGRAM

1. 2023 Work Plan - Update

A. Jensen provided an update on the progress of the 2023 Work Plan items. The following information was provided:

1. Accessible and affordable housing

- A survey regarding opportunities to enhance the adaptable housing policy has been drafted and reviewed by SAC in 2022;
- The survey is to be mailed out to all adaptable unit residences within the Township (a paper copy with the option to complete online);
- Coordination of timing underway.

2. Volunteer programs to support seniors

- Collaborating with the Communications Division to update webpage;
- Draft Terms of Reference have been prepared for a volunteer strategy with further input to come from a review of best practices.

Discussion:

- SAC would like to provide input on the updated Seniors page on the website.
- Having a link to the Volunteer Bureau on the TOL website would be beneficial.

3. Social gathering places for seniors

- Draft inventory of low-cost spaces complete;
- Promising practices review complete;

F. WORK PROGRAM

- Next steps are to publish and expand inventory of low-cost spaces and explore opportunities to support community hubs and smaller neighbourhood-based centres.

4. Primary Care Network

- Primary Care Network workplan received by Council at the June 12, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.

5. Mobility

- Development of a new Transportation and Mobility Strategy is getting underway in summer of 2023 with anticipated completion in 2025.

6. Intergenerational Skills and Stories

- Lower Fraser Aboriginal Society to support seniors in sharing cultural practices with young Indigenous families and youth and increasing social connection and support between generations;
- LEPS to host a Repair Café where seniors and younger volunteers can help community members fix household items;
- Organizations that are doing or interested in doing intergenerational programming are invited to join a gathering in late August to learn from these projects and each other.

7. Partnerships and Liaison with Local Seniors' Organizations

- Update to be provided in the Fall.

Discussion ensued regarding the potential of having a Senior's Tea in the Township. It was decided to add this to the Work Plan for further discussion in the Fall. Topics to discuss will include date/time, scope, location, and budget.

MOTION
Moved by S. Soheili,
Seconded by P. Chhina,
That a Township of Langley Senior's Tea be added to the Seniors Advisory Committee Work Plan for discussion.
CARRIED

2. Extreme Heat – Update

A. Jensen provided an update on the Extreme Heat Planning Study and Langley Cool Parks. The following information was provided:

Langley Cool Parks Project Overview

- A UBCM Grant Funding opportunity of $30,000 to undertake risk and vulnerability mapping for populations at risk, develop extreme heat response plans, and perform climate change adaptation planning;
- Will determine the neighbourhoods most at risk of extreme heat within the Township of Langley, considering but not limited to the built environment, urban heat island, assessed tree canopy, and social equity;

F. WORK PROGRAM

- A Heat and Shade Study of select Township parks involving the assessments of existing shade structures, cooling/hydration methods, map production, and modelling;
- The consultant will use findings from the above work and other research to produce a Cool Parks Guidelines.

Next Steps:

- Internal and External Engagement;
- Connecting with other organizations conducting heat studies and extreme heat response planning;
- Grant funding ends August 15, 2023;
- Project to wrap-up late summer.

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

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1. Committee Member Updates

S. Baker provided survey highlights from AGE-WELL regarding attitudes of Canadians 65+ and 50-64 towards technology, aging, and health.

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J. TERMINATE

Moved by P. Chhina
Seconded by T. Taylor
That the meeting terminate at 9:00pm.
CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Community Representative Co-Chair

Council Representative Co-Chair