

Seniors Advisory Committee – Held February 6, 2018

A meeting of the Seniors Advisory Committee is held this day commencing at 9:30 o'clock a.m. in Room 407, 400 City Hall Square East, there being present the following members:

Sally Bennett Olczak, Chair
Larry Duffield, Vice Chair
Councillor Ed Sleiman
Sungee John (arrives at 9:45 a.m.)
Celia Southward

Regrets received from:

Brian Cyncora
Karen Demers
Alex Gyemi
Sonya Vani

Also present are the following resource personnel:

Greg Rusk, Supervisor, Community Programming
Karen Kadour, Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 9:50 o'clock a.m. and the Committee considers the Agenda being Schedule "A" **attached** hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

2. Declarations of Conflict

None disclosed.

3. Minutes

Moved by Councillor Sleiman, seconded by L. Duffield,
That the minutes of the Seniors Advisory Committee of its meeting held
December 5, 2017 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.
Carried.

4. Business Items

4.1 Storage of SAC Promotional Items at City Hall

L. Duffield thanks Administration for providing space for the storage of SAC promotional items. It is generally agreed the transport of SAC items will be undertaken following the move to the New City Hall in the spring 2018.

4.2 SAC 2017 Annual Report

The Chair thanks L. Duffield for authoring the SAC 2017 Annual Report.

L. Duffield expresses concern relating to some minor changes made by Administration to the Annual Report. He requests SAC be afforded the opportunity to review the report and to make amendments.

It is generally agreed to request that the SAC 2017 Annual Report be deferred to the March 7, 2018 Social Development, Health & Culture Standing Committee meeting to allow for amendments to be made to the Annual Report.

Moved by S. John, seconded by C. Southward,

That amendments to the SAC 2017 Annual Report to include a reference to the 20 Year Strategic Vision and the implementation of the Age Friendly Action Plan, and to include the phrase that "Celia Southward went above and beyond the call of duty" **BE APPROVED.**

Carried.

Clerk's Note: The Social Development, Health & Culture Standing Committee at its meeting held February 7, 2018 meeting denied the deferral request and approved the SAC 2017 Annual Report as presented.

4.3 Proposed Recommendations by a SAC Member to the Social Development, Health & Culture Standing Committee/Council

Discussion ensues regarding recommendations proposed by L. Duffield originally noted in SAC's 2017 Annual Report. L. Duffield states the recommendations were put forth to reinstate SAC to its original constitution, i.e. increase membership to 12 members plus two Councillors, rather than the current membership structure of 8 members plus one Councillor. He adds the proposed recommendations could represent a platform for 2018, one that could be brought forward at Ward Meetings.

Councillor Sleiman responds the current membership consisting of 8 members plus one Councillor is sufficient and there are more than enough members.

The Chair concurs that the current membership structure is sufficient.

In terms of recommendation #3 that refers to establishing a senior's focal point in administration or an Ombudsman, L. Duffield responds that seniors' issues should be a concern for all city departments.

Councillor Sleiman advises SAC has worked tirelessly to establish the City of Windsor as an Age Friendly City and adds no new positions were added to the staff complement during the recent budget deliberations.

Recommendation #4 refers to "nominating Council appointed Committee members for eligible awards, particularly City and provincial awards." L. Duffield states advisory committee members in the past were invited to the State of the City events. He suggests all advisory committee members (if they have served on a committee for more than 5 years) be considered to receive provincial awards, or, the city could create their own service awards.

Moved by L. Duffield, seconded by S. John,
That the five proposed recommendations put forth by L. Duffield **BE APPROVED**.

The motion is put and is lost.

Moved by Councillor Sleiman, seconded by C. Southward,
That Recommendation #2 "*Provide storage space for our, and other Council committees, info and display materials and access to meeting space for planning activities outside of the quarterly meetings*" **BE APPROVED** and further, that this initiative will be incorporated into SAC's working agenda for 2018.
Carried.

Moved by Councillor Sleiman, seconded by C. Southward,
That Recommendation #4 "*Nominate Council appointed Committee members for eligible awards, particularly City and provincial awards (recognition of volunteers role and contributions)* and Recommendation #5 "*Continue to support promoting Windsor as an AFC community and preferred retirement location*" **BE APPROVED**, and further, that these initiatives be incorporated into SAC's working agenda for 2018.
Carried.

4.4 IFA/WHO Webinar Series

A flyer relating to the 2018 IFA/WHO Webinar Series to be held on February 28, 2018 is **attached** as Appendix "A".

5. Subcommittee Reports

5.1 Age Friendly Network Seniors Summit

In terms of the Seniors Summit, L. Duffield reports CARP will host the 2018 Summit pending the successful award of a grant through the Ministry of Senior Affairs.

C. Southward announces that an application has been submitted to the Ontario Honours and Awards Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration. She adds Councillor Sleiman has been named as the “Nominee” for the award.

Councillor Sleiman expresses concern that the submission of the application for an “Age-Friendly Communities Recognition Award” should have been brought forward to the Social Development, Health & Culture Standing Committee and City Council as SAC does not have the mandate to communicate with the Ministry.

The Chair states the application was submitted as SAC citizen members wanted to recognize Council.

***Clerk’s Note:** Following the meeting, the City Clerk received clarification from the Chair that Councillor Ed Sleiman was the “organization contact” identified in the application for the Ontario Age Friendly Community Award. It was further noted that the nomination was submitted by the Age Friendly Network.

The document entitled “Age-Friendly Communities Recognition Award 2018 – Nominee’s Achievements – The Corporation of the City of Windsor” is **attached** as Appendix “B”.

Moved by C. Southward, seconded by S. John,
That **APPROVAL BE GIVEN** to an expenditure in the upset amount of \$50.00 for costs associated with charges to courier the Application package to the Ontario Honours and Awards Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration in Toronto.
Carried.

Clerk’s Note: It was determined the cost to courier the application package to Toronto was \$4.67.

The Chair thanks C. Southward for completing the application form for the Age-Friendly Communities Recognition Award.

C. Southward indicates a SOFAN Conference may be held in the Spring 2018 and she requests funding in the amount of \$300 to attend the conference.

Moved by C. Southward, seconded by L. Duffield,

That **APPROVAL BE GIVEN** to an expenditure in the upset amount of \$300 for C. Southward to attend the SOFAN Conference on a date, location and venue to be determined.

Carried.

Clerk's Note: This motion along with any future motions must contain the necessary details, i.e. date, venue, location, and cost of registration. Disbursements for travel must be made in accordance with the City of Windsor Travel and Business Expense Policy.

It is generally agreed the SAC Terms of Reference will be reviewed at the May 1, 2018 meeting.

(b) Communications and Promotions/Advocacy

No report.

(c) SAC Treasurer's Update

No report.

6. New Business

None.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. in the Walkerville Meeting Room, 3rd floor, City Hall.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 11:25 o'clock a.m.

CHAIR

COMMITTEE COORDINATOR