

Community Services and Parks Standing Committee Meeting

Date: Wednesday, April 03, 2019

Time: 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Members Present:

Councillors

Ward 3 - Councillor Bortolin

Ward 5 - Councillor Sleiman (Chairperson)

Ward 6 - Councillor Gignac

Ward 10 - Councillor Morrison

Members Absent

Ward 9 - Councillor McKenzie

Also present are the following from administration:

Jan Wilson, Corporate Leader of Parks, Recreation, Culture and Facilities

Jelena Payne, Community Development and Health Commissioner

Ray Mensour, Executive Director, Recreation & Culture

Alina Sirbu, Executive Director, Long Term Care/Administration

Andrew Daher, Executive Director Employment and Social Services

Pam Labute, Manager, Community Development

Mary Ellen Bernard, Manager, Social Policy & Planning

Jennifer Tanner, Manager Homelessness & Housing Support

Linda Higgins, Manager Intergovernment Subsidies & Financial Administration

Stephen Lynn, Coordinator Social Planning

Mike Taylor, Coordinator, Community Special Events

Sandra Bradt, Executive Initiatives Coordinator

Anna Ciacelli, Supervisor of Council Services

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair calls the meeting of the Community Services and Parks Standing Committee to order at 9:04 o'clock a.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None disclosed.

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

3.1. Adoption of the minutes of the Community Services and Parks Standing Committee meeting held March 6, 2019

Moved by: Councillor Gignac
Seconded by: Councillor Bortolin

THAT the minutes of the Community Services and Parks Standing Committee meeting held March 6, 2019 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.
Carried.

Report Number: SCM 90/2019
Clerk's File: MB2019

4. REQUEST FOR DEFERRALS, REFERRALS OR WITHDRAWALS

None requested.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

None presented.

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6. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

6.1. Ten Years of Building Collaborations- an Update on the Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership - City Wide

A Video regarding the Ten Year anniversary of The Local Integration Partnership is shown. An outline of some duties and functions of the Local Integration Partnership are provided including the following:

- bringing together experts to better respond to changing community;
- welcoming people to the community;
- providing support to people in the community;
- partnering with Community Living who provides support for people with disabilities;
- positioned the City well for the influx of immigrants;
- continue to ensure the success of the new comers;
- assisting new comers with supports that they require to adapt and to become successful in the community;
- strengthen relationships with community partners;
- welcoming people to the community, inclusive of all people;
- take small amount of funding and leverage that with other agencies for the benefit of the community;
- diverse region, amazing work to advance community;
- help raise awareness of the community for newcomers;
- helping newcomers assimilate to the community;
- ensuring newcomers make the most of their opportunities.

Councillors Gignac, Morrison and Bortolin comment on the great work that is being done through the Partnership and congratulate them on their anniversary which is a fantastic collaboration and a model for others.

Marina George and Michelle Suchiu, Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership; and Hugo Vega, Regional Manager of Settlement & Integration Services, YMCA of Southwestern Ontario appear before the Community Services and Parks Standing Committee regarding the administrative report Ten Years of Building Collaborations - an Update on the Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership and are available for questions.

Councillor Morrison inquires whether administration has any priority one or two statistics. Jelena Payne, Community Development and Health Commissioner appears before the Community Services and Parks Standing Committee regarding the administrative report Ten Years of Building Collaborations - an Update on the Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership and defers to Michelle Suchiu as the work actually flows through the Partnership to be implemented. Ms. Suchiu indicates that one in four people are immigrants which doesn't always mean they are new. Windsor welcomes approximately 2000 newcomers yearly. Ms. Suchiu adds that there is a

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challenge with the skills gap, newcomers face struggles especially when they are coming from refugee camps. Ms. Suchiu indicates that high level language and education are necessary when coming into the skilled trades. She adds that new immigrants are contributing to the community, construction opportunities are a good fit for Syrian refugees and they are encouraged to get into skilled trade opportunities.

Moved by: Councillor Gignac
Seconded by: Councillor Bortolin

Decision Number: **CSPS 30**

THAT City Council **RECEIVE** the report of the Manager of Social Policy and Planning dated March 12, 2019 entitled "Ten Years of Building Collaborations- an Update on the Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership - City Wide" for information.

Carried.

Report Number: S 61/2019
Clerk's File: SS/10673

7. COMMITTEE MATTERS

None presented.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

8.1. Moksha Canada Foundation Diversity Tour 2019 Ward 3

Sunil Channan, President, Moksha Canada

Sunil Channan, President, Moksha Canada appear before the Community Services and Parks Standing Committee regarding the administrative report Moksha Canada Foundation Diversity Tour 2019 and is available for questions.

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Moved by: Councillor Bortolin
Seconded by: Councillor Morrison

Decision Number: **CSPS 31**

THAT the request from Moksha Canada Foundation to host the Diversity Tour 2019 at Festival Plaza on Friday, July 26, 2019 to Saturday, July 27, 2019 **BE APPROVED**, subject to the terms and conditions of the Special Event Agreement; and further,

THAT the Chief Administrative Officer and City Clerk **SIGN** a letter of non-objection to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) regarding the event organizer's and/or participants' AGCO application(s) for service of liquor sales.

Carried.

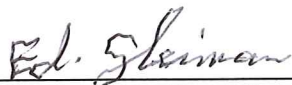
Report Number: S 63/2019
Clerk's File: SR/13401

9. QUESTION PERIOD

Councillor Gignac inquires about changing the start time of the Community Services and Parks Standing Committee meetings. The Deputy Clerk provides information regarding the process.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting of the Community Services and Parks Standing Committee is adjourned at 9:20 o'clock a.m. The next meeting of the Community Services and Parks Standing Committee will take place on Wednesday May 1, 2019.



Ward 5—Councillor Sleiman
(Chairperson)



Supervisor of Council Services