

Surrey – Delta – White Rock Community Council

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Community Council Minutes Wednesday, August 25, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

CLBC – Surrey Office

Note: Meeting held via MS Teams, due to Covid-19 Social Distancing

From 6:00 to 8:00 pm

- Present:** Akshay Sachdeva, Alison Scholefield, Bernadette Pughe, Jennifer Benjamin, Tracey Chan, Nathan Shipley
- Regrets:** Jaret St. Andrassy (Milieu); Tara Cleave (City of Surrey), Karen Speijer (FSI), Sharrie Dahl
- CLBC staff:** Jagdeep Rakhara – Integrated Services Manager, Regional Operations (South Fraser Region)
- Recorder:** Edwina Jeffrey
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1. Recognize and welcome to everyone

- a) Jagdeep congratulated Bernadette for taking on the role of Council Chair. Bernadette then chaired and called the meeting to order at: 6:08 pm. Acknowledgements were done for the traditional and unceded indigenous territories of the: Kwantlen, Katzie, QayQayt, Semiahmoo, Tsawwassen and all other indigenous peoples.

2. Council Agenda and minute review/discussion:

a) Review and motions to approve:

- i. August 25, 2021 Agenda
Jennifer motioned and Alison seconded to accept the Agenda as written. Carried
- ii. July 28, 2021 Minutes:
Alison moved to approve and Akshay seconded to accept the July 28, 2021 Minutes. Carried

3. Introductions: welcome new guests and members check in

- Nathan Shipley introduced himself and is looking forward to being on the Council.

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- Jagdeep introduced herself explaining she has been assigned the Community Councils in S. Fraser. She talked about her family and brother and her personal connection to the work that we do.
- Bernadette introduced herself and has attended Council meetings for about 15 months and then officially became a member a few months ago. She learned about the Council by looking at the CLBC website. Bernadette explained her connection with CLBC. On the professional side she works with 'Work With Us' and enjoys getting back into the community.
- Tracey introduced herself as being a mother to a daughter with Autism who goes to a day program and is going every day for a few hours. Her Council contract has been renewed for another two years.
- Akshay introduced himself as a self-advocate and on CLBC Board, and with the Self-Advocates doing a video due out in October. He currently volunteers at the Cloverdale food bank.
- Jennifer introduced herself mentioning both her and husband run a non-profit called Bravo, and they also do home share. She volunteers for YMCA, and Special O. Jennifer has been on Council for two years.
- Alison has been on Council for 6, going on 7 years. Her son has had CLBC support for a number of years. Her son just finished work at a medial clinic. (She mentioned that she thinks for transit you would use just one card and not two.)

4. CLBC related updates, and Council membership

a) CLBC Updates

Currently working on Step 4 of the restart plan; but encouraging staff to wear masks, except at their desks.

Trying to work out a schedule for staff working from home and coming into the office.

Initial restart Sept. 7 but is now Oct. 4.

It is hard to estimate when Council can meet in person.

Please share your thoughts, about return to normal, to Bernadette.

b) Council membership: vacant Chair and Vice Chair positions

- The council now has a Chair, and the Vice Chair is an alternate.

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A motion should take place to acknowledge the appointment of Bernadette to the Chair position.

- Motion for Tracey Chan’s re-appointment and Nathan Shipley’s appointment.

Alison moved to reappoint Tracey and Jennifer seconded.

Alison moved to appoint Nathan and Askshay seconded.

- Motion for Karen Speijer’s appointment.

Jennifer moved to appoint Karen S. and Bernadette seconded.

c) Council minutes recorder position

- Discussion on Council Budget
 - Council budget is \$3000 / year and expenses are for Inclusive Employer awards: \$500; member gifts: \$200; food: tbd; and Recorder: 9* months @ \$50=\$450. *2021 @ 8 months as of January-August.
 - The Budget should be reviewed every month and attached to the minutes.
 - Should a Treasurer for the Council be considered, or perhaps using an Excel spreadsheet would be adequate?
 - Want to ensure that money is available for hosting events or bringing in a guest speaker (Note: the City can provide a free space; e.g., for Community Inclusion but not necessarily held in October.) Money could be available for a Council member to attend a forum and gather information/knowledge and share with the members.
- Recorder request for remuneration increase to \$75/meeting: The Recorder explained the process for the time involved preparing the minutes: average ½ hr before a meeting preparing template to take minutes, attend meeting and record: (2 hrs) then after meeting review and edit minutes (average ½ hr or longer).
 - Bernadette moved to approve Recorder receive \$75/meeting and Jennifer seconded.

5. Community Council Work Plan – Review and Update

Continue at item 2 ?

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6. Translink- HandyDART Presentation: October 27, 2021: Review poster, questions for Translink

- Council members prefer template dated August 20 (less words, one with picture of HandyDART and right-hand side bar).
- Jagdeep on vacation until September 13; Alison to connect then and will meet September 22 and get details for/from the presenter.
- Final flyer will be prepared at September 22 meeting, and distribution will occur soon after.

Other news:

- 2022 Advisory Committee applications are open: HandyDART Users' Advisory Committee (HDAUC) until **October 1, 2021** at 11:59 p.m. HDAUC is for people who are familiar or use HandyDART services can apply. It is for a two-year term.
 - The purpose of the HDAUC is for HandyDART customers and their representatives to provide advice and guidance on HandyDART plans, programs and other initiatives, and to advise TransLink on matters to improve HandyDART service for customers. The HDAUC allows TransLink to hear directly from customers and stakeholders and ensure the service meets their needs.
 - HandyDART customers, or individuals who have direct experience working with them, are eligible to sit on the HDAUC. If you take a collaborative approach to improving the service, we encourage you to apply. Members serve for two-year terms, with the option to extend for a maximum term of four years. Members attend a minimum of four meetings per year, hosted by TransLink. Members are appointed by the TransLink Board.
 - Please note, that meetings are currently being held virtually, and this may continue for the foreseeable future.
- For more information or to apply online, visit the [Access Transit](#) page or call 778-375-7665.

7. City of Surrey Employment Opportunities/Connections

Jagdeep connected to Tara for City of Surrey department for inclusive employment. Jagdeep can connect with CLBC internal connections, and all service providers, but wondered how Council can help to connect people to accessible

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employment. However, member feedback mentioned City website hard to navigate for finding accessible employment.

Jagdeep then mentioned the new WALKit Web Map (safe walking trails) for 'Age Friendly Pedestrian Routes'. <https://www.surrey.ca/parks-recreation/surrey-walks/walkit-web-map>

- Most recently a successful webinar demonstration of the WALKit web map offered an opportunity for participants to learn how to navigate the map, as well as provide feedback as a user of the WALKit tool. *There is an opportunity for the Community Council Members to receive a brief presentation on how to navigate this interactive tool developed to help reduce social isolation and encourage active transportation.*

8. **Adjournment and Reminders:**

Alison moved and Jennifer seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Please advise Jagdeep if you would like to invite anyone to a Council meeting.

Jagdeep will let the staff know what Council is doing and perhaps they will be interested in attending a meeting.

Next Community Council meeting: September 22, 2021 at 6 pm.