

# Burlington Inclusivity Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: June 21, 2024

Time: 9:00 am

Location: Hybrid Meeting - Virtual and Room 305

## 1. Members Present:

Hanadi Al-Masri (Chair), David Quezada, Charles McGregor, Jarred Cacnio, Alex Warne, YaYa de Andrade, Don Prescott, Reema Singh, Niyi Olusoga.

# 2. Members regrets:

Ashley Wall, Ayotunde Samuel Bolaji, Surbhi Malhotra, Vwede Obahor.

# 3. Others present:

Councillor Angelo Bentivegna, Denise Beard, Roxanne Gosse (Clerk)

## 4. Land Acknowledgement

Read by Hanadi.

## 5. Declarations of Interest:

## 6. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the meeting held April 26, May 24, 2024 will be approved at the September 20, 2024 meeting.

# 7. Delegation(s):

7.1 Suzanne Gillies, Committee Clerk, will provide a overview of the Civic Recognition Ceremony

Suzanne advised that Civic Recognition provides an opportunity for the Mayor and members of Council to acknowledge and celebrate the incredible contributions made by individuals and groups who volunteer their time to make the City of Burlington better. This years Civic Recognition event is scheduled for June 24, 2024, 6:30 to 8:30 pm at City

Hall. More information about Civic Recognition my be found here <u>Civic</u> Recognition

# 8. Regular Items:

8.1 Updates from Staff Liaison Denise Beard

Denise provided the following updates:

# **Updates from Council Meeting**

Recognition for Gordon Schottlander as Ontario Senior of the Year – landed on Juno Beach for D-Day, active residents in the community for many years

Recognition to the athletes from the Burlington Special Olympics Team and their participation at the Ontario Games in Waterloo in May Approval of the Major Transit Station Area Community Planning Permit By-Law in principle

Endorsement in principle of the 10-year financial strategy and the multiyear forecast

Endorsement, in principle of the Live and Play Plan – recreation and culture facility and park amenity plan for the next 20-30 years, but update the plan every 5 years and develop a partnership funding policy Approve the Festival and Events Policy

Approve a pilot project for greening the Crosstown Trail from Guelph Line to Fisher Ave

# **Get Involved**

Community Engagement Charter and work with HMC on translation services on site for the meeting on June 19

#### **Press Releases**

Canada Day Closures coming up and Canada Day event at Spencer Smith Park

Heat Warning and work that the City is doing with Community

**Development Halton on Cooling Centre Assessments** 

Burlington Tr4ansit Summer Youth Pass – youth ride for free on weekdays after 6:00 PM and on weekends

Free events this summer by the City – Movies in the Park and Concerts in the Park

National Indigenous Peoples Day June 21 at Spencer Smith Park City Summer Talk is out – you should of received this in your mail 8.2 Halton Community Services Directory discussion.

David stated that he was involved in the initial project and the cost of the portal is very costly and there are some software issues. There is a Halton Community Services Directory located at the Burlington Central Library as a resource for Burlington citizens.

8.3 Food for Feedback - Saturday September 14, 2024, at Central Park from noon until 4pm.

**On motion** in the committees discussion they approved a creation of a subcommittee to confirm the topic or project for feedback or engagement for the event.

**On motion** the committee approved to use up to 500.00 dollars for Food for Feedback.

The following members volunteered for the event, Charles, Hanadi, Ya Ya, Alex, Niyi, Jarred.

**Action:** Roxanne to send an email to the entire committee to ask for volunteers and if there any other members who wish to be part of the subcommittee. Survey summary from last years event to be circulated to the members via email. There was an interest of a popcorn machine at the event, more information is needed in the rental.

8.4 Discussion to alternate meeting locations.

The committee discussed alternating locations, they approved on **motion** to keep the location at City Hall.

#### 9. Other Business:

No new Committee related items.

## 10. Adjournment:

Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.