

Community Advisory Board on Homelessness April 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Via Video/Teleconference

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. The following Committee members called into the meeting:

Present:

nt: Councillor S. Morgan, Chair, Mayor R. Alty, ex officio, J. Brinson, D. Cornfield, H. Dumbuya-Sesay, E. Esau, M. Fatt, D. McKee, S. Montreuil, N. Rao, T. Roberts, R. Warburton, and C. Wyman.

The following advisory members called into the meeting:

Cpl. M. Chantelois,

- R. Ristoff, and
- T. Pope.

The following representatives of the Federal Government called into the meeting:

- R. Kelly, and
- R. Lau-a.

The following members of Administration called into the meeting:

- G. White,
- H. Ferris,
- D. Gillard (9:50 a.m.), and
- N. Crowley.

Call to Order & Introductions

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. Committee members provided introductions regarding their role serving on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness.



Opening Statement

- 2. Councillor S. Morgan read the opening statement.
- 3. R. Lau-a left the meeting at 9:22 a.m.

Conflict of Interest Presentation

4. Committee heard a presentation from E. Gulberg, regarding the *Conflict of Interest Act* and Committee member's duty in declaring a pecuniary interest, while serving as a member of the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness.

Mr. Gulberg noted that the *Conflict of Interest Act* only applies to direct or indirect (pecuniary) interests, and not to other factors that could bias decision making. Furthermore, Mr. Gulberg noted that the Act applies to all stages of the decision making process and would include deliberations of committees.

Mr. Gulberg noted that Committee members could have a deemed interest in an issue if: a family member residing in the same household as the Committee member has an interest in the matter; you are an officer/director in an organization who has an interest in the matter; or your employer/business partner has an interest in the matter.

When addressing disclosure requirements, Mr. Gulberg noted that all Committee members must disclose the full nature and extent of the interest every time the issue is discussed. It was further noted that these disclosures will be recorded in the meeting minutes.

Furthermore, if a member of Committee is not present at a meeting but is deemed to have a conflict of interest, the member must disclose the interest at the next Committee meeting even if the matter is not on the Agenda. Mr. Gulberg noted that if a Committee member learns of a conflict after they have taken place in the discussion, they must also disclose it at the next Committee meeting.

Mr. Gulberg noted if a member of Committee has disclosed a pecuniary interest, they must refrain from discussion, consideration or attempting to influence the vote on the issue in any way.

In closing, Mr. Gulberg noted that Committee members need to first identify what the issue being decided at present is, and then consider all other factors that influence their decision making on that issue.

5. Committee recessed at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 10: 45 a.m.

Council Procedures By-law/Rules of Order

6. Committee heard a presentation from D. Gillard, City Clerk, regarding the Council Procedures By-law and Rules of Order for Committees of Council.

CAB Terms of Reference

- 7. Administration directed Committee to review the Terms of Reference.
- 8. D. Gillard left the meeting at 11:03 a.m.

Federal Funding Agreement Review

 Administration and R. Kelly, provided background information to Committee regarding Reaching Home funding. It was noted that the City of Yellowknife signed a contribution agreement from April 1, 2019 – March 31, 2024, and receives yearly funding for the Reaching Home initiative.



Administration noted that additional COVID Reaching Home funding of \$1,209,284 may become available and will be discussed at the next Community Advisory Board on Homelessness meeting.

Action Item: Administration will circulate a link to the Reaching Home Directives to Committee.

10. R. Warburton left the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

CAB Community Plan Update

11. Administration suggested Committee review the 2019 – 2024 Community Plan.

Administration noted that the revised Community Plan for 2021 – 2022 will be presented at the next Community Advisory Board on Homelessness meeting for adoption.

Current Projects Review

12. Administration suggested Committee review the current list of approved Reaching Home funded projects.

Next CAB Meeting

13. The next meeting is scheduled on Thursday, April 29, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. via video/teleconference.

Adjournment

- 14. E. Esau moved,
 - C. Wyman seconded,

That the meeting be adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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