These minutes will be adopted at the next Seniors Advisory Committee meeting.

SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 15, 2010

MINUTES

A meeting of the Seniors Advisory Committee was held on January 15, 2010, at 9:33 am, in Committee Room 2, Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT:	Chris Morrissey, Chair Grace Balbutin Thomas Brunker Dena Dawson, Vice-Chair Sylvia Gurstein Henry Lee Colleen McGuinness* Patrick Simpson Eva Wadolna
ABSENT:	Alice Choi Flordelis (Dellie) Lidyard (Leave of Absence) Virginia McDade (Leave of Absence)
ALSO PRESENT:	Trustee Allen Blakey, Vancouver School Board Neal Carley, Assistant City Engineer - Streets Jill Weiss, Persons With Disabilities Advisory Committee
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:	Cobi Falconer, Meeting Coordinator

*denotes absence for a portion of the meeting

Attendance

Leave of Absence requests were granted to Flordelis (Dellie) Lidyard and Virginia McDade.

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on December 18, 2009, were approved.

MOVED by Sylvia Gurstein
SECONDED by Dena Dawson

> THAT the Seniors Advisory Committee extend Chris Morrissey's role as Chair until September 2010.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Colleen McGuinness absent for the vote)

1. Update: Motion to Council Regarding the HandyDART Strike

The Committee agreed to have the Transportation Subcommittee deal with issues relating to expanding the definition of "essential services" and increasing taxi savers per month.

2. Discussion: 2 Subcommittees - Housing and Transportation

Volunteers were selected to sit on the Housing Subcommittee and/or the Transportation Subcommittee.

Transportation Subcommittee Volunteers:

1. Thomas Brunker
2. Dena Dawson
3. Sylvia Gurstein
4. Virginia McDade
5. Eva Wadolna
6. Jill Weiss

Housing Subcommittee Volunteers:

1. Grace Balbutin
2. Henry Lee
3. Colleen McGuinness
4. Melinda Schultz
5. Patrick Simpson
6. Eva Wadolna
7. Jill Weiss

3. Presentation: Concept of Seniors Virtual Village in the USA

Eva Wadolna provided a presentation on the Virtual Village Beacon Hill concept and how it can be applied to a Canadian context.

It was agreed that the taskforce will carry out further research regarding specific issues such as health care, affordability, accessibility, and income levels in relation to Canadian seniors housing models.

There was discussion about re-visiting the motion moved at the November 20, 2009, meeting and presented at the November 24, 2009, Public Hearing with regards to the SAFERhome Standards.

MOVED by Thomas Brunker
SECONDED by Eva Wadolna

> THAT SAFERhome STANDARDS should be the minimum standards to be adopted as policy by the City in all future appropriate projects.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Other Business

a) Review of Conflict of Interest Guidelines for Committees

The Conflict of Interest Guidelines for Committees was read out and clarified.

b) Review of Work Plan

Blank work plan sheets have been emailed to the committee after the meeting.

c) Update on the Advisory Committee of the DTES Pedestrian Safety Project (VANDU)

Patrick Simpson provided an update.

d) Update on the Community Gardens Accessibility Subcommittee

There are no updates.

Next Meeting

Date: March 5, 2010
Time: 9:30 am
Place: Committee Room 2, Third Floor, City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 11:34 am

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