



CULTURAL DIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, February 27, 2019, 3:00 p.m.

Scoop Lewry Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall

228 Main Street North, Moose Jaw, SK

TO: MEMBERS OF THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dalise Hector, Chairperson, MJ Multicultural Council Representative
Nazmia Bengelil, International Women's Society Representative
Brenda Marshall Colenutt, MJ Aboriginal Association Representative
Lori Deets, Citizen-at-Large
Lisa Abbasi, Citizen-at-Large
Randall Fleming, Citizen-at-Large
Selinda England, Citizen-at-Large
Amanda McCann, PSSD Representative
Cory Amiskusees, Sask. Polytechnic Representative

ALSO:

Police Chief Rick Bourassa, MJ Police Service

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Adoption of Minutes – January 23, 2019
4. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - 4.1 Update on letter to MOTIF
 - 4.2 Amendments to Bylaw No. 5370, Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee Bylaw, including update from "Strategy & Recalibrating Subcommittee" Meeting (January 8, 2019)
 - 4.3 Transportation Issues for Students
5. New Business
 - 5.1 Action Items
6. Next Meeting and Adjournment

**PLEASE ADVISE BY EMAIL OR CALL 306-694-4424
IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING***



**PUBLIC MINUTES
CULTURAL DIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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at 3:00 p.m.**

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PRESENT:

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Cory Amiskusees, Sask. Polytechnic Representative
Amanda McCann, PSSD Representative
Lisa Abbasi, Citizen-at-Large
Lori Deets, Citizen-at-Large

ABSENT:

Nazmia Bengeleil, International Women's Society
Brenda Marshall Colenutt, Moose Jaw Aboriginal Association Representative

ALSO:

Rick Bourassa, Moose Jaw Police Chief
Usha Sharma, International Women's Society
Maureen Latta, Recording Secretary

PART 1 - NO APPROVAL OF COUNCIL REQUIRED

Re: Call to Order

Dalise Hector, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

PART 2 - NO APPROVAL OF COUNCIL REQUIRED

Re: Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Lisa Abbasi
THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried.

PART 3 - NO APPROVAL OF COUNCIL REQUIRED

Re: Adoption of Minutes – December 12, 2018

Moved by Lori Deets
THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of the Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee dated December 12, 2018 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

PART 4 - NO APPROVAL OF COUNCIL REQUIRED

Re: Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1 Update on Letter to MOTIF

Discussed was an update about the letter to MOTIF. Dalise Hector reported that the letter has been sent to the MOTIF Board of Directors and one email reply has been received from a MOTIF board member.

4.2 Amendments to Bylaw No. 5370, Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee Bylaw Update from "Strategy & Recalibrating Subcommittee" Meeting (Jan. 8, 2019)

Discussed was the Committee's intention to ensure Bylaw No. 5370 empowers the Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee to effectively accomplish its mandate.

Moved by Dalise Hector

THAT the Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee continue to review Bylaw No. 5370, Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee Bylaw in reference to committee composition, definitions, points of reference and mandate.

Carried.

PART 5 – APPROVAL OF COUNCIL REQUIRED

Re: New Business

5.1 NO APPROVAL OF COUNCIL REQUIRED

Re: Action Items

- Lori Deets will ask a Council member about the feasibility of recommending that, as part of the report being prepared on advisory committees, the City Manager consult with the Chairs of Advisory Committees with regards to potential changes to the City's Advisory Committees.
- Dalise Hector will organize a subcommittee meeting to review Bylaw No. 5370.

5.2 APPROVAL OF COUNCIL REQUIRED

Re: Transportation Issues for Students

Discussed was the need for evening bus service in Moose Jaw to service the needs of international students at Sask Polytechnic, as well as newcomers and the indigenous community.

Moved by Selinda England

THAT the Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee recommend to City Council that due to the needs of international students, newcomers and the indigenous community, testing of evening bus service in the City of Moose Jaw be started after September 2019; and

THAT the City explore potential funding models with Sask Polytech for the bus service.

Carried.

PART 6 – NO APPROVAL OF COUNCIL REQUIRED

Re: Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee is scheduled for February 27, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in the Scoop Lewry Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall.

Moved by Cory Amiskusees
That the meeting now adjourn.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Confirmed by Email on January 24, 2019
CHAIRPERSON

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

Jim Puffalt
CITY MANAGER

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Fraser Tolmie
MAYOR

Jan 8, 2019

Cultural Diversity Advisory meeting discussion: Recommended amendments to the CDAC Bylaw (No. 5370)

- After this section:

Establishment of Committee

2 Pursuant to section 55 of The Cities Act, City Council continues the Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee.

Add a section called

3 ***Mandate***

Current concepts to be considered towards committee mandate (yet to be finalized):

- ensure different perspectives are taken into consideration, appreciated, heard, and respected
 - ensure a safe and welcoming community
 - build a cohesive community where people are working together and in sync as much as possible
 - learn more about what our community's needs are in terms of improving the structure
 - to make sure the community is sustainable and a good place to live by ensuring that everyone can participate fully and contribute so that we have a vibrant and equitably prosperous community
- After this section:
Duties/Functions
3 ***Acting in an advisory role for the City, the Committee shall:***
add the words:
Advise the City of Moose Jaw on how it can . . .
so that it reads thus:
(a) Advise the City of Moose Jaw on how it can . . .promote awareness, understanding and acceptance of cultural and ethnic differences between individuals and groups in co-operation with other cultural diversity related organizations;
 - After section (a), add the following statement to the list of Duties/Functions:
(b) Support the city in modelling and embodying an excellent example of leadership in equity and inclusion. This may include:
so that it reads thus:
(b) Support the city in modelling and embodying an excellent example of leadership in equity and inclusion. This may include:
 - mak***(ing)*** suggestions or recommendation to other sectors concerning improving cultural diversity
 - Remove the statement:
receive and refer complaints of racism within the City;
because there are other bodies to deal with all aspects of discrimination. As we understand it, the municipality is more or less impotent in regards to this function except in the ways that HR and other bodies may need to refer/ defer to outside bodies to deal with discrimination (i.e. Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission, Labour Standards, etc.)
 - to section 3(d), add the words:
Maintain an interactive relationship with the city to
so that it reads thus:
Maintain an interactive relationship with the city to provide policy advice and recommendations on:

- In the section 3 (d) (i):
remove the second statement:
(ii) any other cultural diversity related matter that is referred to the Committee
and add the words “in order to encourage inclusion” to (i) so that it reads thus:
practices, policies and City programs in order to encourage inclusion.

Memo

DATE: February 14, 2019 **File #2000**

TO: Josh Mickleborough
Director of Engineering Services

FROM: Tracy Wittke
Assistant City Clerk

RE: Transportation Issues for Students

City Council ratified the January 23, 2019 Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee minutes at the February 11, 2019 meeting with the following recommended motion referred to Administration:

"THAT due to the needs of international students, newcomers and the indigenous community, testing of evening bus service in the City of Moose Jaw be started after September 2019; and

THAT the City explore potential funding models with Sask Polytech for the bus service."

Vote Delayed by Procedure.

"THAT the matter be referred to Administration pending future evaluation of the transit service."

Carried.

Please proceed with the appropriate deemed action.

Yours truly,

Tracy Wittke
Assistant City Clerk
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