

**Present:**

Councillor Steele, Chair  
Councillor Starchuk, Vice-Chair  
B. Law  
J. Lam  
S. McIntosh  
L. Lange  
S. Wagner  
V. Nielsen  
R. Noble  
K. Noonan

**Absent:**

J. Sims-Gould  
K. Weber  
K. Tan  
D. Evans

**Staff Present:**

C. Bootsma, Seniors Services,  
D. Buchanan, Transportation Planning  
J. Tyler, Manager, Fraser Heights / Guildford Recreation  
Centre  
M. Griffioen, Deputy Chief, Fire Services  
S. Tosdevine-Tataryn, Age Friendly Strategy for Seniors  
Project Manager  
C. Eagles, Legislative Services

**A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. The Committee was requested to pass a motion adopting the minutes of November 7, 2017.

It was

Moved by V. Nielsen

Seconded by R. Noble

That the minutes of the Seniors Advisory

Committee meeting held on November 7, 2017 be adopted as presented.

Carried

**B. INTRODUCTIONS**

1. **Round Table Introductions**

**C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

1. **Seniors Advisory Committee Meeting Start Time**

The meeting start time will remain at 9:00 a.m.

**D. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Terms of Reference Overview**

2. **Mapping Project – Update**

Staff illustrated the Avenues of Change mapping project and compared the program as an example of what is presently being developed for senior services and programs. Staff are working with GIS to develop a map that identifies where existing services are located. Staff noted mapping has becoming increasingly popular so residents can see a visual of where services and programs are located. This can be a very useful tool for all ages and families to use. Some feedback was gathered from the committee on the initial sample map provided.

- Committee members expressed that for the map to be read more clearly part of the map could be lighter or layered. It was noted that if the road names are not dimmed and with more layers on the map, it is more difficult to read. Member suggested layering the program based on the services that are being searched for.
- Members expressed that the mapping program is a good idea and can be very useful to families.
- A tab should be included on the map that is developed for “Seniors Services” and include other layers of programs.
- Committee members noted there is no dedicated telephone number for seniors to call and would like to see a resource person who is familiar with diverse services available to assist in this regard. Having a telephone number would help to support seniors who are calling in for information or for support for resources and services.
- It was noted by one of the Committee members that Seniors Come Share Society has the mandate to service seniors and has the knowledge to provide this type of support.

### **3. Mobile Community Care for Seniors Initiative**

Staff provided an update on the Mobile Community Care for seniors initiative. The City of Surrey applied for and received a \$15,000 grant from UBCM. Staff noted they will begin the process of identifying neighbourhoods where mobile care is essential. Care will be provided for those seniors who are in housing transition, unhoused, or homeless. An initial stakeholder meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2018 at 1:30 pm at the Newton Seniors Centre.

The Committee noted the following comments:

- The Mobile Community Care will provide an opportunity to connect with resources that they may not otherwise be able to access.
- Staff noted the funding will purchase equipment such as a laptop to stay onsite and a city bus will be used as the mobile unit.

- The Chair noted that she has reached out to the MPs who are now receiving a package with respect to seniors and the drug overdose crisis. Information is being distributed on what actions Surrey is taking.

The Committee questioned who is responsible to create low subsidized housing. The Committee discussed the Provincial responsibility when it comes to lack of subsidized housing.

**4. Discussion regarding 2018 Work Plan and Calendar**

Staff discussed upcoming events in 2018 for seniors; the Active Aging Activity Tent will host more interactive and active demonstrations and promote physical activity.

The Committee commended the City of Surrey on the events and forums that the City organizes.

**E. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**1. Age Friendly Strategy for Seniors – 2017 Progress Report**

**F. OTHER BUSINESS**

**1. Low Income Discount for Public Transportation**

Staff from the Transportation Division advised that through public consultation, 63% of participants supported a low income discount for use of public transportation.

**G. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Seniors Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in 2E Community Room A.

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

It was  
  
meeting to now adjourn.

Moved by R. Noble  
Seconded by K. Noonan  
That the Seniors Advisory Committee

Carried

The Seniors Advisory Committee adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

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Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

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Councillor Steele, Chair  
Seniors Advisory Committee