

Present:

Chairperson – Acting Mayor Annis
Councillor Bains
Councillor Bose
Councillor Elford
Councillor Hepner
Councillor Kooner
Councillor Nagra
Councillor Stutt

Absent:

Mayor Locke

Staff Present:

Acting City Manager
Deputy City Clerk
General Manager, Community Services
Acting General Manager, Corporate Services
General Manager, Engineering
General Manager, Planning & Development
City Solicitor
Manager, Area Planning & Development, North Division
Manager, Area Planning & Development, South Division
Land Development Engineer

Acting Mayor Annis assumed the role of the Chair and stated that Mayor Locke is not in attendance this evening as she is away on City business. Acting Mayor Annis also advised that alternative arrangements are in place for public attendance tonight due to the disruptions that have taken place in Council Chambers.

A. DELEGATIONS**1. Manvir Aujla and Tina Balachandran, Surrey Local Immigration Partnership
15 minutes**

The delegation provided a presentation regarding strengths and opportunities where the City can help newcomers to the region and highlighted the following information:

- In 2008, Local Immigration Partnership (LIP) was first funded by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) in Ontario to allow for broad engagement of diverse stakeholders to develop a collective community response to newcomer needs. LIP fosters and strengthens collaboration between community partners aimed at improving immigrant outcomes and making communities more welcoming and inclusive. The Surrey LIP was founded in 2014 and supported by funding from IRCC.
- The Surrey LIP will convene and increase the capacity of Surrey to recognize diversity, facilitate integration and have policy development. Today the Surrey LIP continues with its strong foundation of community support and local capacity with LIP council made up over 35 community organizations. The council and working groups are supported by the Surrey LIP project management team.

- LIP request the following of Council:
 - Support the Civic Youth Fellowship through collaboration with City of Surrey Healthy Communities Youth Engagement Department in proceeding with a Corporate Report for Council Initiatives Fund for matched funding with Canadian Race Relations Foundation.
 - Inclusion of Surrey LIP representation on the Livability and Social Equity Committee to ensure alignment of strategic priorities and recommendations to Council on social policies, programs and services.
 - Support collaborative work with City of Surrey social development staff to conduct surveys of immigrant residents to better understand the needs and challenges for newcomer residents to settle in Surrey and request the opportunity to be included within the current phase of engagement in the Surrey Social Action Plan.
 - Appoint a Co-Chair to fill the current vacancy for Surrey LIP Council.
 - Support Surrey LIP Project Team to provide updates to Council on a biannual basis through Council-in-Committee meetings.

B. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Councillor Kooner

Seconded by Councillor Hepner

That the Council-in-Committee meeting be

adjourned.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Stephanie Nichols, Deputy City Clerk

Acting Mayor Linda Annis, Chairperson