

Present:

Chairperson – Mayor McCallum
Councillor Annis
Councillor Elford
Councillor Guerra
Councillor Hundial
Councillor Locke
Councillor Nagra
Councillor Patton
Councillor Pettigrew

Absent:**Staff Present:**

City Manager
City Clerk
General Manager, Corporate Services
General Manager, Engineering
General Manager, Finance
General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture
General Manager, Planning & Development
City Solicitor

A. DELEGATIONS

- Allysha Ram, Chair, Harman Pandher, Vice Chair, Upkar Singh Tatlay, Treasurer, Gary Thandi, Director, and Anita Lal, Director SACH Community Hub Society**
15 minutes

The delegation provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the SACH Community Hub Society and highlighted the following information:

- SACH (South Asian Community Hub) is a non-profit community organization that provides integrated services, based in Newton and was launched in January 2021. Its mission is to foster the positive health and well-being of underserved diverse communities living in BC by providing low barrier services and advocacy through a South Asian perspective. This perspective is provided by servicing clients as well as their family members in a culturally and linguistically appropriate and holistic manner.
- Black, Indigenous and people of color experience significant challenges related to substance use and mental health through cultural, linguistic, social and structural barriers to accessing supports. There is a need for culturally appropriate, low barrier health and social services targeted to diverse communities living in Surrey. While SACH is currently providing services virtually, future plans include a physical hub located in Newton that will provide inter-agency wrap around services in a collaborative manner.
- It is anticipated that SACH will be able to limit cultural and language barriers related to accessing services, address multiple needs and concerns at a single site, encourage collaboration with community partners, identify service gaps and drive the creation of innovative services and strengthen and build healthier communities.

B. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Councillor Guerra

Seconded by Councillor Patton

That the Council-in-Committee meeting be

adjourned.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Jennifer Ficocelli, City Clerk

Mayor Doug McCallum, Chairperson