



YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Tuesday, December 2, 2014
5:30 PM**

Henry Baker Hall, Main Floor, City Hall



Office of the City Clerk

**Public Agenda
Youth Advisory Committee
Tuesday, December 2, 2014**

Approval of Public Agenda

Minutes of the meeting held on October 21, 2014.

Chairperson's Annual Report

YAC14-11 2014 Youth Advisory Committee Annual Report

Recommendation

That this report be forwarded to the Community & Protective Services Committee for information.

Communications

YAC14-12 2015 Youth Advisory Committee Forum

Recommendation

That this communication be received and filed.

Adjournment

AT REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2014

AT A MEETING OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN PUBLIC SESSION

AT 5:30 PM

These are considered a draft rendering of the official minutes. Official minutes can be obtained through the Office of the City Clerk once approved.

Present: Conrad Hewitt, in the Chair
Councillor Sharron Bryce
Scott Findura
Charity Mbugua
Faith Mbugua
Natalia Smith

Regrets: Mayor Michael Fougere
Emma Knight

Also in Attendance: Committee Assistant, Mavis Torres
Community Consultant, Dave Slater

(The meeting commenced in the absence of the Chairperson, Conrad Hewitt.)

(Natalia Smith assumed the Chair.)

APPROVAL OF PUBLIC AGENDA

Faith Mbugua moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the agenda for this meeting be approved, as submitted.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Charity Mbugua moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the minutes for the meetings held on January 14, May 13 and October 9, 2014 be adopted, as circulated.

COMMUNICATIONS

YAC14-8 2015 Youth Advisory Committee Forum

Recommendation

That this communication be received and filed.

Faith Mbugua moved that this communication be received and filed.

(Conrad Hewitt arrived at the meeting and assumed the Chair.)

(Councillor Bryce left the meeting.)

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

YAC14-9 Preparation of 2014 Annual Report

Recommendation

That this communication be received and filed.

Natalia Smith moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that this communication be received and filed.

YAC14-10 2014 Mayor's Housing Summit Update

Recommendation

That this communication be received and filed.

Faith Mbugua moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that this communication be received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT

Scott Findura moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary

December 2, 2014

Members,
Youth Advisory Committee

2014 Youth Advisory Committee Annual Report

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be forwarded to the Community & Protective Services Committee for information.

BACKGROUND

Committee Structure Review and Work Plan

In 2012 during its November 19th meeting City Council directed the City Clerks office to undergo a structure review of all City committees. Due to uncertainty regarding the potential results of this review, the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) remains unable to draft a work plan. The results of the committee structure review have not yet been made known to the YAC and as such we continue to operate without an official work plan. The YAC has instead drawn its direction and mandate from the committee's Terms of Reference in the short term, until such time as a new work plan may be developed. Furthermore, the ongoing committee structure review has left the YAC unable to appoint new committee members in order to fill the four vacant positions within the committee. Many of the remaining committee members are due to complete their terms in the next year.

2014 Youth Forum

At its January 14th meeting the YAC was approached by Peggy Chorney of the Regina Qu'apelle Health Region with an opportunity to partner for its 2014 youth forum. The event (dubbed "Energize") was a celebration for students ages 11-14 who had participated in the "Take The Lead" program and implemented it in their schools. This program aims to promote leadership and positive physical and mental health. The event took place on March 26 at Dallas Valley Ranch Camp, and included of a wide variety of youth-lead, physically invigorating activities. The day was well received by all in attendance.

In preparation for this event, two YAC members had the opportunity to take the "Take the Lead" facilitator training, equipping the committee with the benefits of this program. This year's forum offered the YAC the exciting opportunity to build partnerships as we worked alongside the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region, Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association, Saskatchewan in Motion, and South East Connection to deliver this event to Regina's youth.

Conventions and Training

Throughout the year committee members had the opportunity to attend a number of external events. These allowed YAC members to act as representatives of Regina's youth before other community leaders and enabled them to expand their knowledge and awareness of important issues and programs. These included:

The SUMA Convention – Alongside municipal decision-makers from across the province, YAC members observed a number of informative presentations and engaging discussions on the status and future of urban municipalities in Saskatchewan.

The Mayor's Housing Summit – This year's housing summit was focused on three key areas: Measuring housing progress, addressing affordable housing needs, and formulating housing solutions. YAC members had the opportunity to be involved in small-group discussions based around these core areas, and were able to hear speakers from across the country present innovating solutions.

Take the Lead Training – In preparation for our 2014 youth forum, two YAC members took part in facilitator training for the "Take the Lead" program, a joint effort of Saskatchewan Parks and Recreations. This program promotes youth leadership and positive physical and mental health, and allowed committee members to maximize the effectiveness of our forum.

The YAC would like to thank all City staff and Council members for their tireless effort and service, and particularly for their support of the Youth Advisory Committee. We are all looking forward to achieving even bigger and better things next year.

Regards,



Conrad Hewitt, Chairperson
Youth Advisory Committee

YAC14-12

December 2, 2014

To: Members,
Youth Advisory Committee

Re: 2015 Youth Advisory Committee Forum

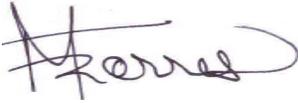
RECOMMENDATION

That this communication be received and filed.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this communication is to prepare and facilitate discussion for the 2015 Youth Advisory Committee Forum.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. Torres", written in a cursive style.

Mavis Torres, Secretary
Youth Advisory Committee