



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Seniors Advisory Committee

Monday, May 9, 2016

10:00 AM

Sir Robert Barrie Room

**For consideration by the Community Services Committee of the City of Barrie on
June 1, 2016**

**The Seniors Advisory Committee met at 10:01 a.m. in the Huronia "B" Room
and the following were in attendance:**

PRESENT:

R. Cotton, Chair
J. Comper
M. Malcolm
L. Ricardo
G. Sels
H. Stone
J. Youell-Robson.

STAFF:

Accessibility Co-ordinator, C. Dillon
Committee Support Clerk, T. McArthur.

The Seniors Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY PLANNING PROJECT UPDATE

C. Dillon, Accessibility Co-ordinator provided an update regarding the Age-Friendly Community Planning Project.

Ms. Dillon noted that the deadline for submissions of the survey has been extended to the end of May, 2016. She noted that the survey is available on the City of Barrie Website or a hardcopy can be obtained at the 55+ Centres (Allandale Recreation Centre and Parkview Community Centre) and both of the Public Libraries. Ms. Dillon commented that they survey has been advertised on the City Barrie Website, radio stations, Twitter and Facebook.

Ms. Dillon advised that the Consultants have attended focus groups at organizations throughout the City. She noted that participation in the focus groups has been good and effective information has been gathered.

SENIORS HOUSING

R. Cotton provided a draft presentation regarding Seniors Housing in the City of Barrie and Surrounding Areas. Mr. Cotton noted that he would like to provide a presentation to Members of Council at a future meeting to provide an update on the Seniors Advisory Committee activities.

Mr. Cotton discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The estimated and projected needs for Seniors Housing in the City of Barrie and surrounding areas;
- An explanation for the increases in requiring more Seniors Housing;
- The current choices for Seniors Housing:
- Social Housing administered by the County of Simcoe;
- An overview of Seniors Social Housing; and
- The opportunities for an Age-Friendly Community.

Members of the Committee asked several questions related to the information provided and received responses from Mr. Cotton.

RESCHEDULING OF THE JUNE 13, 2016 SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The Committee agreed to cancel the June 13, 2016 Seniors Advisory Committee meeting and advised the next scheduled meeting is July 11, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

UPCOMING SENIORS EVENTS / CALENDAR

The Committee met and discussed upcoming senior events in the Community.

G. Sels and J. Youell-Robson advised that June is Seniors' Month in Ontario and noted that the 55+ Centres (Allandale Recreation Centre and Parkview Community Centre) will be offering a variety of events for the month of June and that further information is available in the Parkview Allandale Seniors (PALS) Monthly Newsletter.

The Seniors Advisory Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

SECTION "B"**INVESTIGATION TO DESIGNATE A SURPLUS PARKING LOT IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA AS SENIORS HOUSING**

That staff in the Business Development Department investigate the feasibility of designating one of the surplus parking lots in the Downtown Area for Seniors Housing and report back to the Seniors Advisory Committee. (File: S00)

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

CHAIRMAN