Tuesday, June 18, 2019

Boardroom WT-2C and WT-2D – 2nd Floor – West Tower

**Members Present**

**Council:**
City Councillor Charmaine Williams – Wards 7 and 8

**Members:**
Saad Ali
Tony Brookes
Milagros Caballes
Ron Feniak
Frank Lodhar
Umar Javed
Angela Johnson
Sushil Ninawat
Sonya Singh
Elizabeth Pike
Bob Pesant

**Agencies:**
Sandra Fitzpatrick, Manager, Region of Peel Public Health
Peter Howarth (CARP)
Myrna Adams, Brampton Seniors Council
Rodrigo Merio, Brampton Multicultural Community Centre

**Members Absent:**
City Councillor Doug Whillans – Wards 2 and 6 (personal)
City Councillor Jeff Bowman – Wards 3 and 4 (other municipal business)
Vidhi Bhatt, Brampton Multicultural Youth Council
Peel Elder Abuse Prevention Network
United Way of Peel
Jennifer McLaughlin, Manager, Region of Peel Housing
Alexa Roggeveen, Sheridan College, Social Service Worker, Gerontology

**Staff Present:**
Bob Bjerke, Director, Policy Planning
Mirella Palermo, Policy Planner
Chandra Urquhart, Legislative Coordinator
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The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. and adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

1. **Approval of Agenda**

   **AFC017-2019** That the agenda for the Age-Friendly Brampton Advisory Committee meeting of June 18, 2019, be approved, as amended, to add the following items:

   6.2. Discussion, re: Age-Friendly Brampton Advisory Committee Involvement in the Establishment of a Proposed Youth Council

   6.3. Discussion, re: Development of a Group Chat (WhatsApp) to discuss Committee Business

   6.4. Discussion, re: Impact of Bill 108 on the Implementation of the City’s Age-Friendly Policies

       Carried

   Note: On a 2/3 majority vote to re-open the question, the Approval of Agenda was re-opened and Item 6.4 was added to the agenda.

2. **Declarations of Interest Under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act**

3. **Previous Minutes**

3.1. **Minutes - Age-Friendly Advisory Committee – April 30, 2019**

   The minutes were considered by Planning and Development Committee on June 3, 2019 and approved by Council on June 5, 2019. The minutes were provided for Committee’s information.

4. **Delegations/Presentations**

4.1. **Presentation by Charlotte Gravlev, Deputy City Clerk, re: Committee Orientation**

   Charlotte Gravlev, Deputy City Clerk, welcomed members, and invited them to introduce themselves and briefly summarize their interest in joining the Committee.
Ms. Gravlev, provided an overview of the procedural matters as they relate to the Committee’s establishment and structure. The following was highlighted:

- Quorum and Meeting Attendance requirements – Members of Council were not included in quorum
- Meeting schedule and procedures
- Agendas and Minutes – approval process for minutes
- Meeting Procedures and Delegations
- Provincial Legislation – Municipal Conflict of Interest Act
- Meeting Schedule
- Role of Legislative Coordinator

Role and responsibilities of Committee Members include:
- participating in Committee events
- volunteering on sub-committees

Ms. Gravlev explained that the Committee will serve in an advisory capacity and make recommendations to Council for consideration with respect to the mandate of the Committee. She noted that the orientation information presented at the meeting will be available on the City’s website along with the brief biography submitted by members.

The following motion was considered:

AFC018-2019  That the presentation by Charlotte Gravlev, Deputy City Clerk, City Clerk’s Office, to the Age-Friendly Brampton Advisory Committee Meeting of June 18, 2019, re: Committee Orientation be received.  
Carried

4.2. Presentation by Daniella Balasal, Policy Planner, re: City of Brampton’s Age-Friendly Strategy and Action Plan

Mirella Palermo, Policy Planner, provided an overview of the development of the Age-Friendly Brampton Strategy for the City. She explained that due to changing demographics worldwide, World Health Organization (WHO) has established guidelines that municipalities with aging populations may follow towards building a more age-friendly city. An Age-Friendly Strategy and Action Plan has been developed. The following was highlighted:

- World Health Organization (WHO) – Age-Friendly Designation
- WHO’s 8 Age-Friendly Focus areas
- Provincial direction
- Region of Peel
- Brampton’s policy framework and initiatives
- Technical staff working group
- Past Work
- Age-Friendly Strategy and Action Plan
- Project timelines
- Next steps include
  - Developing an implementation plan and prioritizing action items
  - Updating Official Plan Policies and Design Guidelines
  - Presentation of Age-Friendly Strategy Part 2 in September 2019

Committee was advised that a report and presentation on the Age-Friendly Strategy and Action Plan will be presented at the Council meeting for endorsement.

Councillor Williams noted that Members of Council were motivated to support the Action Strategy and Action Plan.

In response to a question on the impact of Bill 108 as they relate to the Age-Friendly Strategy and Action Plan, staff explained that Bill will limit Council decisions in some aspects, however, the full details of the Bill were unknown.

The following motion was considered:

AFC019-2019 That the presentation by Mirella Palermo, Policy Planner, to the Age-Friendly Advisory Committee meeting of June 18, 2019, re: Overview of the City of Brampton’s Age-Friendly Strategy and Action Plan be received.

Carried

5. Reports / Updates – nil

6. Other/New Business/Information Items – nil

6.1. Committee discussion, re: Election of Chair / Vice-Chair/ Co-Chairs

Charlotte Gravlev, Deputy City Clerk, explained the election process and the option to elect a Chair and Vice-Chair or Co-Chairs of the Committee. She advised that the appointments were for the term of Council; however, Committee may choose to review the timeline annually.

Committee discussed the options to select the Chair. There was consensus among the members to elect two Co-Chairs.

Ms. Gravlev opened the floor for nomination of two Co-Chairs. Saad Ali nominated himself for the position.
Peter Howarth was nominated for the position, however he declined the nomination.

Ron Feniak was nominated for the position which he accepted.

Elizabeth Pike was nominated for the position which she accepted.

Bob Pesant was nominated for the position which he accepted.

There were no further nominations made.

Ms. Gravlev called for a motion to close the nominations and a vote for the four members who were nominated.

The results were as follows:
Saad Ali – 7 votes
Bob Pesant – 4 votes
Ron Feniak – 2 votes
Elizabeth Pike – 1 vote

Based on the results of the votes, Ms. Gravlev declared Saad Ali and Bob Pesant as Co-Chairs of the Committee. Both Mr. Ali and Mr. Pesant accepted the positions and thanked Committee for their support.

The following motion was considered:

AFC020-2019 That the following members be appointed as Co-Chairs of the Age-Friendly Brampton Advisory Committee for the term ending November 14, 2022, or until successors are named:
- Saad Ali
- Bob Pesant

Carried

6.2. Discussion re: Clarification re Age-Friendly Brampton Advisory Committee Involvement in the Proposed Youth Council

Committee referenced the previous meeting and the discussion regarding the involvement of the Age-Friendly Committee with the proposed Youth Council.

Committee members indicated that they were still unclear on what their role was as the Age-Friendly Committee’s mandate does not include the review of youth related matters/activities.
Staff explained that a report titled, ‘Youth engagement: A Strategic Way forward’, will be presented to Council on June 19, 2019, that should provide clarification regarding the focus and structure of the proposed Youth Council.

6.3. Discussion re: **Development of a Group Chat (WhatsApp) to discuss Committee Business**

Committee discussed the suggestion to create a group chat through WhatsApp as a method of communication to discuss Committee business. Comments were provided as follows:
- Members were comfortable communicating and receiving the agendas by email, with a preference to attend meetings at City Hall
- Committees established by Council must observe the City’s Procedure By-law when holding meetings
- Transparency was required at meetings and they must be open to the public

6.4. Discussion re: **Impact of Bill 108 on the Implementation of the City’s Age-Friendly Policies**

Note: On a 2/3 majority vote to re-open the question, the Approval of Agenda was re-opened and Item 6.4 was added to the agenda.

Committee discussion took place regarding Bill 108 and the impact on the implementation of the Age-Friendly Strategy and Action Plan. Committee was concerned given that the amendments to the Development Charges Act seemed significant and may negatively affect the implementation of the Action Plan.

Staff noted that the changes were considered as significant and that the City’s ability to collect revenue will be limited.

A motion was introduced to request staff to send a letter to the Premier of Ontario, local MPs and MPPs, outlining the concerns regarding the impact of Bill 108 on the implementation of the City’s Age-Friendly policies and practices in the City of Brampton.

The following motion was considered:

**AFC021-2019**  That it is the position of the Age-Friendly Committee that staff be directed to work with the AFC to prepare a letter to the Premier of Ontario, the local MPs and MPPs, outlining the concerns regarding the impact of Bill 108 on the implementation of the City’s Age-Friendly policies and practices in the City of Brampton.

**Carried**
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7. **Correspondence** – nil

8. **Question Period** – nil

9. **Public Question Period** – nil

10. **Adjournment**

    AFC22-2019 That the Age-Friendly Brampton Advisory Committee do now adjourn to meet again on September 17, 2019.

    Carried

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Bob Pesant, Co Chair               Saad Ali, Co-Chair