

MINUTES
SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE
March 8, 2016
3:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Attendance: Councillor Colin Campbell, Gail Leet, Christine Wong, Yash Kapur, Diane Gabay, Manickampillai Velauthapillai, Laila Jiwa, Bala Ponnia, Councillor Amanda Collucci, Regional Councillor Nirmala Armstrong, Ramma Chabra and Katy Kwan Staff: Diane Samek, Corporate Communications, Janet Beatty, Recreation Coordinator; and Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator Regrets: Jason Tsien, Community Manager, North, Vincent Cheung, Sajeda Shirazi, Dr. Devendra Mishra, Faiz Mohyuddin, and Asad Shariff	
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1. CALL TO ORDER	The Seniors Advisory Committee convened at 3:09 PM with Gail Leet presiding as Chair.	
2. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 9, 2016 SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES	The minutes of the February 9, 2016 meeting of the Seniors' Advisory Committee were approved as presented. It was suggested that no hard copies of the minutes be provided in future.	
3. 2016 Health Fair	This item was deferred to the April meeting.	
4. New Business	<u>Older Adult Strategy</u> Janet Beatty, Recreation Coordinator on behalf of Jason advised that the City has secured the vendor for the Older Adult Strategy. The vendor is Urban Metrics and the lead person will be Peter Thoma. She advised that the process for consultation is underway and Jason will provide a further update at the April meeting.	

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	<u>Markham Life</u> Diane Samek, Corporate Communications advised that if anyone who has any further ideas for the next edition to forward it to her. <u>Canada Day Celebration</u> Councillor Amanda Collucci advised that if anyone had any ideas for the Canada Day celebration to please let her know. <u>Earth Hour</u> Councillor Colin Campbell reminded everyone that Earth Hour will be taking place on Saturday March 19, 2016 at the Cornell Community Centre and everyone is welcome. <u>Mileage Forms</u> Staff advised that if anyone has mileage forms for 2015 to please forward them to Janet or Alida by e-mail or hard copy. <u>Senior Advisory Task Force at York Region</u> Regional Councillor Nirmala Armstrong advised that they have met and you can obtain any of the information from the York Region website. The task force is reviewing many issues and concerns relative to Seniors. Regional Councillor Armstrong will e-mail any relative information to the members.	
5. DIVERSITY & INCLUSION TRAINING FOR BOARD AND COMMITTEES	Cheryl McConnie-Wilson, Diversity Specialist delivered a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Diversity & Inclusion Training for Boards and Committees." There was discussion regarding future steps relative to the overall diversity strategy	

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	It was suggested that something be placed in the Markham Life Senior section providing information regarding diversity related to Seniors.	
6. ADJOURNMENT	The Seniors' Advisory Committee adjourned at 4:35 PM.	