

MINUTES
SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE
January 13, 2015
3:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Attendance: Katy Kwan, Gail Leet, Angela Morris, Christine Wong, Councillor Colin Campbell, Manickampillai Velauthapillai, Faiz Mohyuddin and Yash Kapur Staff: Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator, Jason Tsien, Community Manager North and Janet Beatty, Recreation Coordinator, Programs Regrets: Ramma Chabra, Asad Shariff, Jaswant Dhanjal, Deputy Mayor Jack Heath, Councillor Alan Ho and Balasunderam Ponniah

Item	Discussion	Action Item
1. CALL TO ORDER	The Seniors Advisory Committee convened at 3:05 p.m. with Angela Morris presiding as Chair.	
2. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 9, 2014 SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES	It was noted that the minutes had the name Joan Lever on them and she is no longer on the committee. The minutes of the December 9, 2014 Seniors' Advisory Committee were approved as amended.	
3. OLDER ADULT STRATEGY AND AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY PLANNING GRANT	Jason Tsien, Community Manager North addressed the Committee and provided a brief description of the process relative to the Older Adult Strategy indicating that it is being lead by the recreation department and has two main phases to it. He advised that the first phase is internal work (that is currently underway) and phase two will require input from various key stakeholders such as the Senior Advisory Committee. Jason advised the Committee that recreation staff are in the process of applying for a grant called "Age-Friendly Community Planning Grant" being offered by the Province. If the City is successful in obtaining the grant the purpose is to assist communities become age-friendly by ensuring that the needs of seniors are considered at every stage of community planning and development.	

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4. 2015 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES	The Committee discussed what they should consider for their goals and objectives for 2015. There was discussion regarding whether another Seniors Forum should be hosted or a Health & Wellness Fair. The Committee agreed to hold a Health & Wellness Fair on Tuesday September 15, 2015 and consider holding it at the Cornell Community Centre.	Add Health & Wellness Fair to the February agenda.
5. NEW BUSINESS	<u>Seniors Forum - presentation</u> The Committee was advised that Angela and Gail will be presenting the outcome of the Seniors Forum to General Committee on Monday January 26, 2015. Once the agenda is finalized the link to the General Committee agenda will be forwarded to the members and anyone who would like to attend the meeting is welcome to. <u>Markham Life</u> The Committee was advised that Emma is suggesting the following items for the summer issue: Hall of Fame call for entries and an ad for the Canada Day Celebration. Angela and Gail will get in touch with Emma to confirm the January issue and will begin discussion for the summer issue as well. <u>Vulnerable Seniors</u> There was discussion regarding how to best try and obtain contact information of vulnerable seniors that may not have any family or friends to rely on. It was suggested that this be on item for discussion on the February agenda.	Alicia send out link when GC agenda finalized. Angela and Gail to discuss summer issue with Emma. Place on February agenda.
6. NEXT MEETING	The next meeting is Tuesday February 10, 2015 at 3:00 pm in the Canada Room	
7. ADJOURNMENT	The Seniors Advisory Committee adjourned at 4:20 p.m.	