

MINUTES
SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
January 10, 2012
4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Attendance: Councillor Colin Campbell, Councillor Alan Ho, Angela Morris, Susan Leppington, Sandra Donin, Yash Kapur, Manickampillai Velauthapillai, Katy Kwan, Gail Leet, Jaswant Dhanjal, Warren Carroll, Ramma Chabra Staff: Dennis Flaherty, Director of Communications and Community Relations, and Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator. Regrets: Dr. Jeyasakathy Thayaparan, Deputy Mayor Jack Heath	
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Item	Discussion	Action Item
1. CALL TO ORDER	The Seniors Advisory Committee convened at 4:11 p.m. with Angela Morris presiding as Chair.	
2. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 13, 2011 SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING	It was noted that the sentence under New Business should read "...donate two computers and one printer at each senior centre in Markham." Moved by Yash Kapur Seconded by Warren Carroll That the minutes of the December 13, 2011 Senior's Advisory Committee be approved. CARRIED	
3. CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA	Moved by Councillor Alan Ho Seconded by Councillor Colin Campbell That the agenda be approved as presented. CARRIED.	
4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES	<u>Submission of Transportation Receipts</u> The Committee members were provided with Mileage Tracking Forms. The interested members filled out the form and submitted it to the Council/Committee Coordinator to have it processed by the Town of Markham Finance Department.	The Council/Committee Coordinator submit the forms to the Finance department.

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	<u>Computer Company - Seniors Discount</u> Dennis Flaherty advised the Committee that the computer company has confirmed that they will donate two computers and one printer to each of the following Senior Centres: Thornhill, Markham, Milliken and Angus. The Committee questioned why Armadale is not listed as one of the Senior Centres. The Committee discussed the following: • Do all the Senior Centre need the computers • Who will maintain the computers • What software will be provided (Microsoft, Simply Accounting) • Whether printers are needed	Staff to confirm the Town of Markham recognized Senior Centres It was suggested that an audit be done at the four Senior Centres in the Community Centre to determine which centres could make use of the donated computers.
5. NEW BUSINESS	<u>East Markham Community Centre</u> Councillor Colin Campbell advised the Committee that the East Markham Community Centre is anticipated to be opened in June 2012 with programs beginning in September 2012. He suggested that an invitation be extended to Ms. Mary Creighton, Director of Recreation to present to this group the proposed layout of the East Markham Community Centre. There was discussion regarding the proposed distance between the parking lot and the location of the Senior's Centre and that the Senior's Centre should be located on the main floor of the building. <u>Windrow Program for Seniors</u> Dennis Flaherty advised the Committee that information regarding the Senior's Winter	That Mary Creighton be requested to make a presentation to the Senior's Advisory Committee regarding the East Markham Community Centre.

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	Windrow program will be included in the Markham Life magazine, advertised in the Markham Economist and Sun - Markham page and literature available at Senior Centres, Libraries, Community Centre. <u>Senior Retirement Homes</u> Councillor Alan Ho suggested having representatives from various Senior Homes in Markham come and present to this group the recreation programs and outreach programs that are available. It was noted that private senior centres and affordable housing does not fall within the mandate of the Senior's Advisory Committee. <u>Celebrate Markham Grant</u> The Committee discussed the Celebrate Markham Grants received in the past two years and whether an application should be filled out for 2012. The Committee decided to have a special meeting on January 24, 2012 to review the grant application form and discuss what the money should be used for in 2012.	Staff to forward a copy of the grant application form to the Chair.
6. Next Meeting	The next meeting of the Seniors Advisory Committee will be held on February 14, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in the Canada Room.	
7. Adjournment	The Seniors Advisory Committee adjourned at 6:00 p.m.	