

Minutes of a Meeting of the Youth Council held at the Collective, #100, 43 St. Thomas Street on the above date at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Councillor Watkins
B. Thronson
C. Fregene
J. Sokul
O. deBourcier
E. Brooks
C. Tattrie
S. Fregene
L. Kachkar
K. Love
K. Ferguson

Absent:

S. Qaderi
M. Rudolf

Staff:

J. Becker, Youth Asset Development Coordinator
C. Smigielski, Manager, Community & Social Development
S. Wywal, Legislative Officer

ELECTION OF THE CHAIR & VICE CHAIR

S. Wywal called for nominations for position of Youth Council Chair for 2018. K. Love nominated B. Thronson and as no other nominations were received, B. Thronson was declared elected by acclamation.

S. Wywal turned over the meeting to the Chair.

The Chair called for nominations for the position of Youth Council Vice-Chair for 2018. K. Love self nominated and was declared elected by acclamation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Chair declared the agenda adopted as presented.

FOIP 101

Kathy Wolansky, Information & Privacy Compliance Specialist provided an overview of the Freedom of Information & Privacy Act. and how it applies to committee members.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Moved by L. Kachkar

That meetings are moved to the first Wednesday of each month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

CARRIED

YOUTH COMMITTEE ORIENTATION

An overview of the following was provided:

- Youth Council Bylaw
- Policy C-CS-17 Youth Development
- Community & Social Development Master Plan relating to youth
- Policy C-CC-12 Civic Agencies
- Code of Ethics
- Position Descriptions for members & City Staff

DISCUSSION ON ANNUAL PRIORITIES

The following priorities were identified by committee members:

Culture Master Plan

- St. Albert Art Grants

Social Master Plan

- Community engagement / volunteerism for youth
- Access & encouragement to use mental health services

Environment Master Plan

- Addressing plastic bags, litter & bottle recycle
- Environment day for picking up trash around St. Albert

Recreation & Parks Master Plan

- Servus Place – more affordable day pass
- Recreation facility accessibility
- Hockey arena lack of ice time available
- Legion ballpark update
- Update of parks and interactive activities for kids

- More access to activities for youth
- Student membership rates – reduced daily drop in fee for youth
- Community Gardening opportunities for Youth
- Additional Rec Centre locations

Transportation

- Scheduling frequency for getting around St. Albert
- Improved reliability of public transportation
- Improved transportation between key locations in St. Albert; possibly a loop between places ie) Library, Servus Place, Mall, Costco
- Improved Transportation to recreation facility

Communication

- Improved communication strategy from the City to youth particularly in the 18-24 year old demographic
- Stronger social media presence
- Some youth do not read the local newspaper

Other Issues

- Career/jobs - Keep educated work force in the city
- St. Albert Youth Job search
- More encouragement of youth involvement in the arts

ROUND TABLE

Members and staff provided information on items of general interest.

Members were encouraged to consider how the Council could utilize the funding available to get more youth involved.

NEXT MEETING DATE – February 7, 2018

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.


 CHAIR


 LEGISLATIVE OFFICER



YOUTH COUNCIL

Date: January 17, 2018

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: The Collective

#100, 43 St. Thomas Street

File: B02

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and Introductions**
- 2. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair**
- 3. Additions to the Agenda**
- 4. Adoption of the Agenda**
- 5. FOIP 101 with Kathy Wolansky, Information & Privacy Compliance Special**
- 6. Meeting Schedule (dates and times)**
- 7. Youth Committee Orientation**
- 8. Discussion on Annual Priorities**
- 9. Round Table**
- 10. Next Meeting Date**
- 11. Adjournment**