

# **Community Sustainability Committee**

**Date: March 18, 2015**

**Time: 5:30 p.m.**

**Location: Fire Station No. 3, 100 Giroux Road**

Minutes of a Meeting of the Community Sustainability Committee in the Fire Station No. 3 on the above date at 5:30 p.m. in accordance with the provisions of Sections 19, 23, 24 and 29 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.A. 2000. c.F-25, as amended.

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## **Present**

- *Chris Barr (Left at 7:30 p.m.)*
- *Dave Bell*
- *Councillor Wes Brodhead (Left at 6:30 p.m.)*
- *Cam Munro*
- *Mayor Nolan Crouse*
- *Katie Kohlenberg*
- *Douwe Vanderwel*

## **Absent**

- *Kaitlyn Fenton (Public Engagement Summer Student)*

## **Writer**

- *Kalen Pilkington (Community Sustainability Coordinator)*

## **Staff**

- *Leah Kongsrude (Strategic Services Director)*
- *Kalen Pilkington (Community Sustainability Coordinator)*

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

- *Co-chair Cam Munro called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.*

## **REVIEW MEETING NOTES**

- *No changes to notes as distributed.*
- *Meeting Minutes Approved; Motion put forward by Katie Kohlenberg, seconded by Mayor Nolan Crouse*

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Welcome and Dinner
2. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes
3. Business from Previous Meeting
4. Review of Project Schedule/Budget
5. Continue Review of Pillars
  - a. Natural Environment Pillar

- *Bullet 1 changed to: “We connect with nature spanning from Big Lake to River Lot 56 using our extensive Red Willow Park trail system.”*
- *Bullet 2 changed to: “We preserve and protect our Sturgeon River valley, natural areas, and ravines and their contribution to biodiversity.”*
- *Bullet 3 changed to: “We collaborate with our regional partners to promote our understanding and continually improve our management of the Sturgeon River watershed.”*
- *Bullet 4 changed to: “We work together to maintain and promote our flourishing tree canopy for future generations.”*
- *Bullet 5 changed to: “We are an environmentally caring community which is reflected in our green living lifestyle and conservation of natural resources.”*

#### b. Economic Pillar

- *Bullet 1 changed to: “We foster opportunities to work, shop and play in St. Albert.”*
- *Bullet 2 changed to: “We have a prosperous economy that is supported by a diversity of businesses that enrich our community.”*
- *Bullet 3 changed to: “We support new and existing businesses and nurture innovation and excellence.”*
- *Bullet 4 changed to: “We enjoy our thriving downtown, including the Perron district, as a place that showcases our identity through businesses, culture, art and nature.”*

#### c. Built Environment Pillar

- *Bullet 1 (Moved down to Bullet 3 after) changed to: “We plan and manage growth for the betterment of future generations.”*
- *Bullet 2 (Moved up to become Bullet 1) changed to: “We are connected by a safe, effective and accessible transportation network that supports public and active modes of movement.”*
- *Bullet 3 remained the same (Moved up to become Bullet 2)*
- *Bullet 4 changed to: “We build innovative long lasting infrastructure that are efficient and minimize the use of natural resources.”*
- *Bullet 5 changed to: “We maintain **distinct/high** landscaping and architectural standards that cultivates our city’s identity.”*
- *Bullet 6 changed to: “We value and preserve our local landmarks, including Father Lacombe’s Chapel, the Grain Elevators and St. Albert Place.”*

### 6. Revisit Vision and Pillars of Sustainability from March 4<sup>th</sup>

#### a. Vision

- *Vision – Intro changed to: “St. Albert is a vibrant, innovative and thriving city that sustains and cherishes its unique identity and small town values.”*
- *Vision – Social does not need revisions, everything thought this one was good as is; Define “WE”.*
- *Vision – Cultural changed to: “We take pride in our storied history and festive community culture.”*
- *Vision – Natural Environment changed to: “We protect and embrace our deeply rooted connections with the natural environment through championing environmental action.”*
- *Vision – Economy changed to: “We prosper through a strong and diverse economy that is supported by innovative commerce, outstanding local businesses and a dynamic downtown core.”*

- *Vision – Built Environment does not need revisions.*
- *Vision – Reporting/Closing change to: “St. Albert remains committed to our sustainable community vision and celebrates our stories and successes as we continue to write the next chapter in St. Albert’s history.”*

b. Social Pillar

- *Bullet 3 changed to: “We ensure that there a diverse range of housing and transportation options available”*
- *Bullet 4 changed to: “We value our community connections by supporting and engaging neighbourhoods, institutions and organizations that work to improve life in our community”*

c. Cultural Pillar

7. Recommendation to Council

- a. Council Policy – new or add to existing policy?
- b. Adding to existing plans and how to report on progress?
- c. Advisory Committee(s)?

8. Next Steps

9. Committee Round Table

10. Adjournment

- *Adjournment at 7:54 p.m.; Motion put forward by Dave Bell, seconded by Katie Kohlenberg*

**NEXT MEETING DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS**

The next meeting will be April 1, 2015 *and 5:30 p.m.*

Action: Move agenda item about Council Policy to the next Community Sustainability Committee Meeting on April 1, 2015.

Action: Send out Draft Vision and Pillars of Sustainability to Community Sustainability Committee members. Community Sustainability Committee members will send feedback and input back to Kalen Pilkington (Community Sustainability Coordinator)

**ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.*