



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

Community Advisory Board on Homelessness

March 30, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Via Conference Call

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday, March 30, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. The following Committee members called into the meeting:

Present: Councilor S. Smith, Chair,
Mayor R. Alty, ex-officio,
B. Denning, and
D. McKee.

The following advisory members called into the meeting:

K.S. Derejko,
H. Fikowski,
R. Lau-a, and
J. Saturnino.

The following representatives of the Federal Government called in to the meeting:

K. Hansen, and
D. Meilleur.

The following members of the Administration staff called into the meeting:

G. White,
H. Ferris, and
B. Poeschek.

Call to Order & Introductions

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. It was recognized that we are on Chief Drygeese Territory, home of the Yellowknives Dene.

Approval of Agenda

2. Mayor R. Alty moved,
D. McKee seconded,

That the Agenda be approved as presented.

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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

3. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Approval of Minutes

4. *February 11, 2020.*

Mayor R. Alty moved,
B. Denning seconded,

That the Minutes be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. *February 20, 2020.*

Mayor R. Alty moved,
D. McKee seconded,

That the Minutes be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion on one month extension for Housing First & Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Projects

6. Administration provided an update on the RFPs for the Youth Housing First, Families Housing First and Adult Housing First Programs and for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Program Delivery, including the posting and closing dates for each.
7. Committee discussed extending the RFPs for the Adult Housing First and Families Housing First Programs, as well as approving additional funding for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Program Delivery.

Mayor R. Alty moved,
B. Denning seconded,

That Committee extends the RFPs for the Families Housing First and Adult Housing First Programs by one month, and that Committee approves up to an additional \$5,000 (if required) in funding to Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Program Delivery to avoid any gap in service.

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Reaching Home Funding Increase Update

8. Administration provided an update on additional funding announced by the Federal Government for the Reaching Home Capital Project. D. Meilleur clarified the amount allocated to be \$500,000.



9. Administration inquired into the disbursement of the additional funding and the need to proceed with a Request for Proposals or Memorandum of Understanding. D. Meilleur indicated that if urgent funds are required Committee should hold discussion on the parameters of moving forward with the expenditures and further, if the expenditures are not for urgent matters then the process in place should be followed.

Action Item: Administration is to hold a meeting with the Chair, the Mayor and City Administrator to explore priorities for the additional funding (specifically in response to COVID-19) as well as the disbursement process, and will update Committee at the next meeting.

Project Updates

10. Administration provided an update on the following projects:

RFPs: The following RFPs have been posted:

- Youth Housing First
- Adult Housing First
- Families Housing First
- Reaching Home Capital

Coordinated Access: W. Czech with Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness is expected to join the next meeting to lead discussion on what is needed.

Next Meeting

11. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. via conference call.

Further Business

12. Committee received an update on the current status of GNWT Income Assistance delivery.
13. Committee received an update on the Arnica Inn housing project, including general timelines, processes and procedure required. Administration clarified with respect to the handling of inquiries received.

Adjournment

14. D. McKee moved,
B. Denning seconded,

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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