



**WOMEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
March 2, 2023**

PRESENT: Jane McKay-Nesbitt, Chair
Haneen Al-Noman, Vice Chair
Councillor Pamela Lovelace
Jacquie Gahagan
Maggie Hua
Elizabeth Vickers-Drennan
Sonia Ikheloa
Liz Fraser

REGRETS: Hannah Jackson

STAFF: Tracey Jones-Grant, Manager, Diversity and Inclusion
Baylee Brown, Advisor, Gender Equity
Amy Brierley, Program Coordinator, Safe City and Safe Public Spaces
Catie Campbell, Legislative Assistant
Elizabeth Macdonald, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 4:31 p.m., the Committee adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 2, 2023

MOVED by Liz Fraser, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT the minutes of February 2, 2023 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Liz Vickers, seconded by Jacquie Gahagan

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence - None

7.2 Petitions – None

7.3 Presentation

7.3.1 Affordable Housing in HRM

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated March 2, 2023

Ren Thomas, Associate Professor, Dalhousie University, gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 EngageNS and ResearchNS

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff presentation dated March 2, 2023

Conor O'Dea, Senior Policy Advisor, Government Relations and External Affairs gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

9.3 COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

9.3.1 Council Update

Councillor Lovelace provided an overview on Regional Council's and Budget Committee's activities and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – April 6, 2023

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Elizabeth Macdonald
Legislative Assistant