



**WOMEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
DRAFT MINUTES  
September 8, 2022**

PRESENT: Christine Qin Yang, Vice Chair  
Councillor Lisa Blackburn  
Haneen Al-Noman  
Sonia Ikheloa  
Hannah Jackson  
Jacquie Gahagan  
Liz Vickers-Drennan  
Maggie Hua

REGRETS: Jane McKay-Nesbitt, Chair  
Councillor Iona Stoddard  
Kim MacDonald

STAFF: Baylee Brown, Advisor, Gender Equity, Diversity & Inclusion  
Catie Campbell, Legislative Assistant

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*The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. The Committee adjourned at 5:46 p.m.*

## **1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:05 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 – July 7, 2022**

MOVED by Councillor Lisa Blackburn, seconded by Haneen Al-Noman

**THAT the minutes of July 7, 2022 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-Drennan, seconded by Hannah Jackson

**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 – None**

## **8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

## **9. REPORTS**

### **9.1 STAFF**

#### **9.1.1 Basic Income in HRM**

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated September 8, 2022

Councillor Waye Mason gave a presentation on basic income in Halifax Regional Municipality and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

#### **9.1.2 A Conversation on HRM's Women and Gender Equity Strategy (Continued)**

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff presentation dated September 8, 2022

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Baylee Brown, Advisor, Gender Equity, Diversity & Inclusion, Caroline Hemstock, Social Policy Strategist, Government Relations & External Affairs, Amy Brierley, Program Coordinator, Government Relations & External Affairs and Raven Glasgow, Community Outreach Coordinator, Government Relations & External Affairs gave a presentation on HRM's Women and Gender Equity Strategy and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

## **9.2. COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES**

### **9.2.1 Celebratory Events: Ideas for the Short and Long Term**

Christine Qin Yang stepped down from the Chair and Councillor Lisa Blackburn assumed the Chair.

Tracey Jones-Grant, Managing Director, Diversity & Inclusion and Catie Campbell, Legislative Assistant responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

Christine Qin Yang resumed the Chair.

### **9.2.1 Council Update**

Councillor Lisa Blackburn provided a summary of the action and decisions made at the July and August meeting of Regional Council.

## **10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

## **11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – October 6, 2022**

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Catie Campbell  
Legislative Assistant