



BRAMPTON

Minutes

Brampton Community Safety Advisory Committee

The Corporation of the City of Brampton

Thursday, February 1, 2024

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| Members Present: | Regional Councillor M. Palleschi (Chair) Regional Councillor D. Keenan (Vice-Chair) Regional Councillor G. Toor Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon Ivan Marco Macri Jennifer Miles Roopinder Sandhu Randhir Singh |
| Members Absent: | City Councillor R. Power Regional Councillor R. Santos John Versluis, Peel Regional Police Taisha Palmer-Salmon, Region of Peel, Community Safety and Well-Being Office |
| Staff Present: | Tammi Jackson, Legislative Coordinator Terri Brenton, Legislative Coordinator |

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01p.m. and adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

BCS001-2024

That the agenda for the Brampton Community Safety Advisory Committee Meeting of February 1, 2024, be approved as amended, as follows:

To Add:

7.1 Discussion at the request of Councillor Palleschi re: **Inaccurate Social Media Posts**

To vary the order of items to deal with Item 6.2 (Verbal Update re: The Draft Litter Reduction Charter), prior to Item 6.1 (Verbal Update re: Meetings with Committee Members).

Carried

3. **Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act**

Nil

4. **Previous Minutes**

4.1 Minutes - Brampton Community Safety Advisory Committee - September 21, 2023

The minutes were considered by Committee of Council on October 25, 2023, and were approved by Council on November 1, 2023. The minutes were provided for Committee's information.

5. **Presentations\Delegations**

5.1 Presentation by Amanda Agnihotri, Supervisor, Neighbourhood Outreach and Development, Community Safety and Well-Being Office, re: Neighbourhood Association Guide

Amanda Agnihotri, Supervisor, Neighbourhood Outreach and Development, Community Safety and Well-Being Office, provided a detailed overview of the Neighbourhood Association Guide, and responded to questions of clarification from Committee.

Committee discussion included the following:

- Question regarding the number of Neighbourhood Associations that will be established in the first year of the Program.
- Clarified that funding has been request to establish 10 Neighbourhood Associations per ward in the first year. totaling 100 Neighbourhood Associations throughout the City. An assessment will be undertaken by the end of the year to review future needs and adjustments.
- Advised the total budget approved for the program is \$150,000.00.
- Clarified there is a Neighbourhood Association agreement in place that outlines a number of rules and regulations that must be followed.
- The program launched February 1, 2024 and is now open for neighbourhood applications.
- The Neighbourhood Association Guide is available in Brampton's top five languages: Punjabi, Hindi, Urdu, Gujarati and Tamil
- A list of events taking place throughout the City will be provided to all Committee members and will be broken down by ward number.
- Questions regarding what steps are taken if a group breaks the rules of the agreement.

The following motion was considered.

BCS002-2024

That the presentation from Amanda Agnihotri, Supervisor, Neighbourhood Outreach and Development, Community Safety and Well-Being Office, re: **Neighbourhood Association Guide**, to the Brampton Community Safety Advisory Committee Meeting of February 1, 2024, be received.

Carried

6. **Reports/Updates**

6.1 Verbal Update by Razmin Said, Manager, Community Safety and Well-Being Office, re: Meetings With Committee Members

Razmin Said, Manager, Community Safety and Well-Being Office, provided a brief overview of the subject matter, and responded to questions of clarification from Committee.

The following motion was considered.

BCS003-2024

That the verbal update from Razmin Said, Manager, Community Safety and Well-Being Office, re: **Meetings With Committee Members**, to the Brampton Community Safety Advisory Committee Meeting of February 1, 2024, be received.

Carried

6.2 Verbal Update by Razmin Said, Manager, Community Safety and Well-Bering Office, re: The Draft Litter Reduction Charter

Razmin Said, Manager, Community Safety and Well-Being Office, provided a brief overview of the Draft Litter Reduction Charter, and responded to questions of clarification from Committee.

Committee discussion included the following:

- Question regarding possible engagement with School Boards to engage high school students.
- Advised that one of the four key goals is to encourage young people to recycle and clean up in their areas.
- Concerns raised with donation containers and inappropriate dumping of garbage at these particular locations

The following motion was considered.

BCS004-2024

That the verbal update from Razmin Said, Manager, Community Safety and Well-Being Office, re: **The Draft Litter Reduction Charter**, to the Brampton Community Safety Advisory Committee Meeting of February 1, 2024, be received.

7. Other/New Business/Information Items

7.1 Discussion at the request of Councillor Palleschi re: Inaccurate Social Media Posts

Councillor Palleschi raised concerns regarding the increase of inaccurate social media posts occurring online. Councillor Palleschi provided an example of a post recently seen online used as a scare tactic with false information. He reached out to Peel Regional Police for clarification and was provided with an email that he was able to post on line to community group social media pages to provide clarity. It was suggested that staff work with Peel Regional Police to have a direct line of communication to ensure there is information readily available for members when required.

Committee discussion included the following:

- Question regarding the possibility of Peel Regional Police to create an information video that can be shared across the numerous social media platforms.
- Concerns raised that media platforms continuously illustrate a negative narrative regarding Brampton, even when the situation or news story is outside of Brampton.
- Staff will look to promote good news stories on all City of Brampton social media platforms.
- Request that if members see something negative, to please inform staff so the matter can be reported and looked into.

8. Correspondence

Nil

9. Question Period

Nil

10. Public Question Period

The public was given the opportunity to submit questions in person or via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made at this meeting. T. Jackson, Legislative Coordinator, confirmed there were no questions from the public.

11. Adjournment

The following motion was considered.

BCS005-2024

That the Brampton Community Safety Advisory Committee do now adjourn to meet again on Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Councillor M. Palleschi, Chair

Councillor D. Keenan, Vice-Chair