



Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee

Conducted Electronically Via MS Teams

Wednesday, May 5, 2021
5:00 PM

Agenda

Public Participation for May 5, 2021 Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee Meeting

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1. **Call to Order**

2. **Adoption of Agenda**

3. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

3.1. Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee Meeting -
April 7, 2021

4. **New and Unfinished Business**

4.1. Franklin and Main Park Project Update

4.2. Downtown Area Redevelopment Plan Update

4.3. Working Group Updates

Adjournment

Minutes of a Meeting of the Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee held via Electronic Communication, a combination of video conference and teleconference, in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Wednesday, April 7, 2021, commencing at 5:00 PM.

Present:

Roy Williams, Chair, Land Development Industry
 Brianne English, Oil and Gas Industry
 Owen Erskine, Recreation, Culture and Heritage
 Carolyn Evancio, Seniors Resource Committee
 Cheryl Golosky, Indigenous Representative
 Jean-Marc Guillamot, Business Community
 Todd Hillier, Safety and Security Sector
 Henry Hunter, Education
 Renee Moulard, Public at Large
 Sheri Pidhirney, Business Community
 Melanie Walsh, Community Development
 Verna Murphy, Councillor

Absent:

Mike Allen, Councillor

Administration:

Matthew Hough, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
 Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer
 Kelly Hansen, Director, Strategic Planning and Business Initiatives
 Dennis Warr, Director, Engineering
 Nina Caines, Senior Manager, Parks, Roads and Rural Operations
 Amanda Haitas, Senior Manager, Planning and Development
 Monica Lance, Manager, Special Projects
 Darlene Soucy, Clerk, Legislative Services

1. Call to Order

Chair Roy Williams called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION:

THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Owen Erskine, Recreation, Culture and Heritage
SECONDER: Carolyn Evancio, Seniors Resource Committee
FOR: Golosky, Pidhirney, Walsh, Moulard, Williams, Erskine, Hunter, Guillamot, English, Evancio
ABSENT: Hillier

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1. Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee Meeting - March 3, 2021

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee Meeting held on March 3, 2021 be approved as presented.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Cheryl Golosky, Indigenous Representative
SECONDER: Jean-Marc Guillamot, Business Community
FOR: Golosky, Pidhirney, Walsh, Moulard, Williams, Erskine, Hunter, Guillamot, English, Evancio
ABSENT: Hillier

Entrance

Todd Hillier joined the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

4. Presentations

4.1. Josh Bernsen, Lee and Associates, Gregg Kahan, Urban Systems, and James Roche, DTAH, re: Snye Point Outdoor Event Space Update

Josh Bernsen, Lee and Associates, and Amie McGowan, Urban Systems, presented an update of the Snye Point Outdoor Event Space project to construct a year-round outdoor event space that would accommodate a variety of events.

Disconnect and Reconnect

Melanie Walsh disconnected from the meeting at 5:15 p.m. and reconnected at 5:16 p.m.

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Apr 7, 2021 5:00 PM (Minutes of Previous Meetings)

4.2. **Karen Puga, Community and Protective Services, re: Wood Buffalo Public Art Plan Update**

Karen Puga, Lead Coordinator, Community and Protective Services, provided a presentation on the Wood Buffalo Public Art Plan, which is intended to define a vision and to guide decision making for public art in the Region over the next 10 years.

MOTION:

THAT Chair Roy Williams be authorized to send a letter to the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo Council in support of the proposed Wood Buffalo Public Art Plan.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Owen Erskine, Recreation, Culture and Heritage
SECONDER:	Henry Hunter, Education
FOR:	Golosky, Pidhirney, Walsh, Mouland, Williams, Hillier, Erskine, Hunter, Guillamot, English, Evancio

5. **New and Unfinished Business**

5.1. **Grant Funding Application Update**

Bober Raja, Supervisor, Financial Services, provided an update on the grant funding applications for the Franklin and Main Park Project, which have been submitted for the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative Grant and the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Grant, noting that responses should be received on or before the end of May.

5.2. **Franklin and Main Park Project Update**

Bipul Bhowmik, Transportation Engineer, Engineering, provided an update on the Franklin and Main Park Project, noting that tender for the project would be closing on April 9, 2021 and that construction of the Park is expected to be completed by the end of the 2021 construction season.

5.3. **2021 Recommended Infrastructure and Enhancement Action Project Updates**

Nina Caines, Senior Manager, Parks, Roads and Rural Operations, and Mazhar Hajhossein, Manager, Engineering, provided an update on the downtown infrastructure and enhancement projects, noting that construction of the new traffic signals, traffic poles and sidewalks would be completed this year for Franklin Avenue in the areas between Hardin Street and MacDonald Drive.

5.4. Downtown Revitalization Incentive Program Update

Amanda Haitas, Senior Manager, Planning and Development, provided a presentation on the Downtown Revitalization Incentive Program (DRIP), noting the Phase 1 successes and the proposed enhancements for Phase 2, which will be before Council for consideration on April 13, 2021. It was noted that the Committee's February 11, 2021 letter to Council supporting the continuation of the DRIP would be included in the public agenda package for the April 13, 2021 Council meeting.

Disconnect and Reconnect

Todd Hillier disconnected from the meeting at 6:07 p.m. and reconnected at 6:09 p.m.

5.5. Working Groups Next Steps

Chair Roy Williams reviewed the roles and responsibilities of the two Working Groups: Group 1 - Beautification and Placemaking; and Group 2 - Neighbourhood Safety and Pedestrian Friendliness. It was noted that the Working Groups will each set up meetings to address their identified focus areas.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Chair

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