

Minutes of a Meeting of the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee held via Electronic Communications, in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Thursday, October 21, 2021, commencing at 10:00 AM.

Present:

Gaylene Weidlich, Chair, Community Development Sector
Cathy Dreier, Public-At-Large
Alan Gammon, Land Development Industry
Bill Loutitt, Indigenous Representative
Keith Plowman, Business Community
Sean Robertson, Safety and Security Sector
David Stirling, Public-At-Large

Absent:

Erica Brewer, Recreation Representative
Gary Devison, Seniors Representative
Liana Wheeldon, Culture (Arts, Culture & Heritage)

Administration:

Matthew Hough, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Kelly Hansen, Director, Strategic Planning and Program Management
Dennis Fraser, Director, Indigenous and Rural Relations
Dennis Warr, Director, Engineering
Amanda Haitas, Senior Manager, Planning and Development
Nina Caines, Senior Manager, Parks, Roads and Rural Operations
Monica Lance, Manager, Special Projects
Sonia Soutter, Manager, Senior Legislative Officer
Anita Hawkins, Clerk, Legislative Services

1. Call to Order

Chair G. Weidlich called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION:

THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Alan Gammon
SECONDER:	David Stirling
FOR:	Dreier, Weidlich, Robertson, Plowman, Gammon, Stirling
ABSENT:	Loutitt, Wheeldon, Devison, Brewer

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1. Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee Meeting - June 17, 2021

THAT the Minutes of the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee meeting held on June 17, 2021 be approved as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Keith Plowman
SECONDER:	David Stirling
FOR:	Dreier, Weidlich, Robertson, Plowman, Gammon, Stirling
ABSENT:	Loutitt, Wheeldon, Devison, Brewer

4. Presentation

4.1. Josh Bernsen, Owners Representative, Gregg Kahan, Urban Systems, Jennifer Comrie, Urban Systems and James Roche, DTAH re: Waterfront Park Project Preferred Concept Priority 2 Area

Josh Bernsen, Lees and Associates introduced the presentation and James Roche, DTAH, presented an update on the Waterfront Park Project which reflected feedback received from the public, stakeholders and indigenous partners. The presentation referenced the flood mitigation initiatives undertaken by the Municipality; the waterfront guiding principles, vision boards for the project as well as character areas being considered along the waterfront.

Recess and Reconvene

A recess occurred at 10:25 a.m. and the meeting reconvened at 10:30 a.m., at which time, C. Dreier left the meeting and B. Loutitt joined the meeting.

Committee Members provided feedback on various topics to be considered as the project moves forward.

Action Item

Jennifer Comrie, Urban Systems, to provide the Committee with a detailed report outlining the feedback received through the various public engagement initiatives undertaken.

5. New and Unfinished Business

5.1. Grant Funding Application Update

Bober Raja, Supervisor, Financial Planning, advised Administration is still awaiting response to an application submitted to the Canada Community Revitalization Fund (CCRF) in late July.

5.2. Wayfinding Plan Development Update

Amanda Haitas, Senior Manager, Planning and Development, advised that this initiative, led by the Communications and Engagement Department, will encompass both the waterfront and downtown areas, and will focus on clear connections between the two areas.

5.3. Roundtable

Chair G. Weidlich reminded the Committee members whose terms are expiring of the deadline to resubmit their application. The Chair also mentioned that the time and date of the Committee meetings may be addressed once new Committee members are appointed.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Chair