

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee held via Electronic Communications in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Wednesday, April 7, 2021, commencing at 9:00 AM.**

**Present:**

Bryce Kumka, Chair, Business Community  
Bilal Abbas, Public-At-Large  
Steven Hale, Education  
Justin MacNeil, Arts, Culture and Recreation  
David Secord, Business Community  
Beverley Tjarera, Community Development  
Ijeoma Uche-Ezeala, Public-at-Large  
Curtis Williams, Community Development  
Bruce Inglis, Councillor

**Absent:**

Diana Noble, Public-at-Large  
Dan Soupal, Land Development  
Scott Jackson, Oil and Gas Industry  
Jin Li, Public-at-Large  
Jessica Bowles, Health and Wellness

**Administration:**

Matthew Hough, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer  
Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer  
Kelly Hansen, Director, Strategic Planning and Business Initiatives  
Brad McMurdo, Director, Planning and Development  
Monica Lance, Manager, Special Projects  
Sonia Soutter, Manager, Senior Legislative Officer  
Heather Fredeen, Clerk, Legislative Services

**1. Call to Order**

Chair B. Kumka, called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**MOTION:**

THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Beverley Tjarera, Community Development
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ijeoma Uche-Ezeala, Public-at-Large
<b>FOR:</b>	Kumka, Secord, Tjarera, Williams, Uche-Ezeala, Abbas, Hale, MacNeil
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Noble, Soupal, Jackson, Li, Bowles

### 3. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

#### 3.1. **Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee Meeting - March 3, 2021**

##### **MOTION:**

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

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Bilal Abbas, Public-At-Large
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ijeoma Uche-Ezeala, Public-at-Large
<b>FOR:</b>	Kumka, Secord, Tjarera, Williams, Uche-Ezeala, Abbas, Hale, MacNeil
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Noble, Soupal, Jackson, Li, Bowles

### 4. **Welcome and Introductions**

The Committee welcomed new members, Bilal Abbas, representing the Public-At-Large sector, Stephen Hale, representing the Education Sector, and Justin MacNeil, representing the Arts, Culture and Recreation sector.

### 5. **Presentations**

#### 5.1. **Overview of the Alberta Ombudsman's Office**

Kristy Larsen and Lisa Emmerzael, Investigators, Alberta Ombudsman Office, provided a presentation on the Alberta Ombudsman's complaint process indicating that the long-term goal of the Alberta Ombudsman, is to improve government processes.

##### Exit

C. Williams exited the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

## **5.2. Snye Point Outdoor Event Space Update**

Josh Bernsen, Lee and Associates, and Gregg Kahan, Urban Systems, provided a presentation on the Snye Point Outdoor Event Space, a project to construct a year-round outdoor event space that would accommodate a variety of events throughout the year.

## **6. New and Unfinished Business**

Due to time constraints and with consensus of the Committee, items 6.2., 6.3. and 6.4. were deferred to the next Committee meeting. Items 6.1. and 6.5. were reordered to allow 6.5. to proceed first.

### **6.5. Emerging Issues: Red Tape Reduction Notice of Motion Update**

Kelly Hansen, Director, Strategic Planning and Business Initiatives, and Monica Lance, Project Manager, Office of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, provided an overview of the Notice of Motion served by Mayor D. Scott at the March 23, 2021 Council Meeting regarding a request for a Red Tape Reduction plan, indicating that the motion will be considered by Council at the April 13, 2021 Council Meeting.

#### Action Item

Chair B. Kumka will attend the April 13, 2021 Council meeting on behalf of the Committee, to speak as a delegate to the motion requesting that the timeline should be amended to 60 days.

### **6.1. Downtown Revitalization Incentive Program Update**

Amanda Haitas, Senior Manager, Planning and Development, provided a presentation on the Downtown Revitalization Incentive Program noting Phase 1 successes and proposed enhancements for Phase 2 of the Program. It was confirmed that Phase 2 will be before Council for consideration on April 13, 2021.

#### Exit

D. Secord exited the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

#### Action Item

Through consensus of the Committee, a letter from the Chair, B. Kumka, will be provided to Council in support of Phase 2 of the Downtown Revitalization Incentive Program.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

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Chair