

### **City of Barrie**

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# Final Seniors Advisory Committee

Monday, October 25, 2021 10:00 AM Virtual Meeting

## For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on November 16, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chair, G. Kavanagh at 10:15 a.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 7 - Councillor A. Kungl

C. Green

G. Kavanagh

H. Stone

L. Ricardo

M. Malcolm

P. Sasco

Absent: 4 - Chairman D. Dellio

J. Annable

P. Thiffault

S. Turcott

#### STAFF:

Committee Support Clerk, B. Thompson Recreation Programmer, J. Gourlie Recreation Programmer, H. Kenehan Supervisor of Transit Operations and Infrastructure, J. Zimmerman Transit Coordinator, J. MacDonald Transit Planning Student, R. Mennie

#### **ALSO PRESENT:**

E. McCraney, Gilbert Centre

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The Seniors Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

#### TRANSIT AND PARKING STRATEGY - TRANSPORTATION

Jason Zimmerman, Supervisor of Transit Operations and Infrastructure and Julie MacDonald, Transit Coordinator provided of a presentation updating the programs, services and technology upgrades for Barrie Transit.

Mr. Zimmerman and Ms. MacDonald discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- What's new at Barrie Transit:
- The Allandale Mobility Hub concepts for a new terminal and downtown mini-hub:
- The Transit Vision Project;
- An update on the Barrie Transit on Demand Pilot design and expansion potential;
- · Updates to MyRide Barrie;
- The COVID-19 public health measurers for riders;
- Upgrades to booking software with Interactive Voice Response (IVR) and a Trapeze PASS version update;
- The Specialized Transit Fleet to improve ridership for clients and equipped with InQline Assist system; and
- Transit services and current fares for seniors.

Members of the Committee asked a number of questions to Mr. Zimmerman and Ms. MacDonald and received responses.

#### **GILBERT CENTRE**

Evan McCraney, Senior Program Coordinator of the Gilbert Centre provided a presentation on the New Horizons for 2S-LGBTQ+ - Older Adults.

Mr. McCraney discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- · What is New Horizons;
- Who is involved;
- Programs and services;
- COVID-19 and New Horizons Programming;
- Pressures faced in supporting seniors; and
- · New opportunities.

Members of the Committee asked a number of questions of Mr. McCraney and received responses.

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#### SENIORS EVENTS/INFORMATION/UPDATES

Jessica Gourlie, Recreation Programmer advised that Heather Kenehan, Recreation Programmer will be taking her place as advisory support to the Committee.

Ms. Gourlie provided a brief update on the 55+ Centre. She discussed transit training, free Thursday transit for seniors, meeting with Evan McCraney of the Gilbert Centre regarding the All-Bodies opportunities, in-person programming at the Centres, and the possibility of additional opportunities for the Committee.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

**CHAIRMAN** 

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