



Burlington Seniors' Advisory Committee Meeting
Agenda

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Time: 10:00 am
Location: Virtual

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4.1. Updates from Halton Older Adults Advisory Committee (Jim T)	
5. Regular Items:	

5.1. Updates from Recreation, Community and Culture (Denise Beard, Manager of Community Development)

Current Engagements

- Ryerson Naming update
- Budget 2022 Key meetings: there was a virtual town Nov 22, 2021 and will be committee meetings on Nov 30 and Dec 2
- Rural Active Transportation Strategy Pin Map open until Dec 6, 2021
- Housing Strategy Virtual Open House: Nov 29 at 7:00 PM

Recent Reports of interest

- Interest in Robert Bateman High School
- Asset Management and Financing Plan
- Rates and Fees Amendment
- Extension of the COVID-19 Mask By-Law and Physical Distancing By-Law until June 30, 2022
- Paid hourly parking back in the downtown effective Nov. 23, 2021
- Reduction of speed limits in school zones to 30km/hr
- Public Appointment Policy and committee review update
- 2022 election planning and advocacy
- Pride benches

Recent Press Releases

- Removal of the downtown from the Major Transit Station Area in the City's Urban Growth Centre
- Community Matching Fund launched deadline Feb 28, 2022

5.2. November 30th Budget meeting delegation

5.3. Input regarding December BSAC meeting

5.4. Approval of the 2022 BSAC Meeting Schedule

5.5. Roundtable Updates

- a. Burlington Public Library (Deepti)
- b. Burlington Inclusivity Advisory Committee (Jim)
- c. Burlington Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee (Jim)
- d. Burlington Accessibility Advisory Committee (John)

6. Other Business:

7. Adjournment:

Land Acknowledgement

Burlington as we know it today is rich in history and modern traditions of many First Nations and the Métis. From the Ah-nish-nah-beg (Anishinaabeg) to the Ho-den-oh-sho-nee (Haudenosaunee), and the Métis – our lands spanning from Lake Ontario to the Niagara Escarpment are steeped in Indigenous history. The territory is mutually covered by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy, the Ojibway and other allied Nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes.

We would like to acknowledge that the land on which we gather is part of the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit.



Burlington Seniors' Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes

Date: October 25, 2021
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Virtual

1. Members Present:

Jim Young (Chair), Wendy Moraghan, John Kalbfleisch

2. Member Regrets:

Deepti Mahajan, Nancy Gilbert

3. Others Present:

Councillor Shawna Stolte, Kristin Sprukulis (Clerk)

4. Land Acknowledgement

5. Declarations of Interest:

None.

6. Approval of Minutes:

6.1 Approval of minutes from the meeting held September 27, 2021

On motion, the minutes from the meeting held September 27, 2021 were approved as presented.

7. Delegation(s):

None.

8. Regular Items:

8.1 Updates from Recreation, Community and Culture

No updates at this time.

8.2 Updates from Kristin

a. Vaccination status for library access

Kristin explained that a letter was sent out on behalf of the committee regarding previous resolutions from the committee, however after discussion and feedback from city staff it was determined that this is not within our jurisdiction as a committee, as this is a provincial matter and it is not apart of our mandate to provide feedback on this concern.

If residents would like to delegate at the Library Board they are able to, however BSAC will not be delegating on this matter.

b. Advisory Committee Recruitment

Kristin explained that the Public Appointment Policy is currently being updated and we will be recruiting soon.

Note: After the meeting it was found that the policy will be going to the November committee and council meeting, therefore recruitment is expected to begin in the next month.

c. December committee meeting

The committee discussed December meetings in the past. Kristin will report back on feasibility of a December social meeting.

8.3 Roundtable Updates

a. Burlington Public Library

No updates at this time.

b. Burlington Inclusivity Advisory Committee

Jim reported that Kevin Arjoon, City Clerk, came to speak about election policies.

Note: This presentation will also come to a Special BSAC meeting on November 1, 2021.

c. Burlington Transportation Advisory Committee

Jim provided an update about the on demand transit pilot program. This was scheduled for November, but is running behind schedule. There is consideration for a late night on demand service that would combine routes at the north and east ends of the city. These will be linked into an app and there is the ability to call in to book these trips. The service would not run in certain areas during the

pilot project. Residents are advised to watch on social media for a start date.

d. Burlington Accessibility Advisory Committee

John provided the following updates from the Accessibility Advisory Committee:

- The project manager for the Beachway Park Pavilion informed that they are in the midst of changing the washrooms to be co-ed, which allows one larger bathroom to be converted to a family change room. They are asking for input on how to make these fully accessible.
- The committee received a presentation from the Transit department on the accessibility of bus stops. There was a fear that residents will have to climb into the bus when they need to board, but the buses will all lower for residents when they are boarding.
- Information was provided on the new software that will help with the coordination of the on demand transit project. There will still be a need to book handi-van separately, but this technology may assist any upgrades in a handi-van project in the future.

8.4 Scheduling of a special BSAC meeting

On motion, a special meeting of BSAC was approved for November 1, 2021 at 12:00 p.m., in order to accommodate an election policy presentation from the Office of the City Clerk.

9. Other Business:

9.1 Advisory Committee Recruitment

Councillor Stolte led a discussion on how to best recruit for upcoming advisory committee vacancies. Discussion items included:

- Asking committee members how recruitment would be best handled
- Posting information in retirement homes
- Potential open house in the future where residents can talk to committees in person
- Advertising in the seniors centre
- Including recruitment information in councillor newsletters

10. Adjournment:

10:47 a.m.



Burlington Seniors' Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: November 1, 2021
Time: 12:00 pm
Location: Virtual

1. Land Acknowledgement

2. Declarations of Interest:

None.

3. Delegation(s):

None.

4. Regular Items:

4.1 2021 Election Survey Results and Comments Required on Election Policies from the Office of the City Clerk

City Clerk, Kevin Arjoon, and Deputy City Clerk, Amanda Fusco, attended this special meeting of the Burlington Seniors' Advisory Committee to discuss the election survey results and receive feedback regarding upcoming policies. The survey was completed in 2021 and asked residents about their experience in the 2018 election. The following information was discussed:

- Campaign Contribution Rebates: the survey indicated 60% of residents are not in support and 40% are in support of these rebates. At the Provincial and Federal levels you are able to receive a contribution rebate for your income tax. The city's program would be funded from the property tax base, and there are several municipalities currently providing this modest election rebate, such as Mississauga and Whitby. This report will go to the December 2021 CSSRA meeting on [Monday December 6, 2021](#).

- The modest rebate would potentially start at a \$25 contribution and go to \$150. It is meant to provide a rebate to those who have smaller donations.
- It is believed that this can help in terms of assisting candidates who would not be able to self fund their campaigns- it allows residents to support candidates with smaller contributions and still receive a rebate. Ajax did an analysis on this program and there is not extensive data that shows that this incentive program would encourage people to run for city council. However, this rebate could assist in voter turnout rates.
- Concern that money should be spent on something else, and not on rebates. It was noted that campaign contributions would not be a part of the capital budget, therefore the election budget would not be impacted by these rebates.
- Reviewing Sign by-laws: sign by-laws as well as bumper stickers and vehicle wraps will be reviewed. Currently signs are not permitted on public property.
- 2022 Election Engagement:
 - Kevin reported that online voting will be offered again for advanced purposes only, not for voting on the day of the election.
 - Kevin reported in regards to a question posed by the committee, that we will be looking at polling stations in terms of retirement homes and long term care homes to make sure we get the right fit especially with COVID. Similarly with schools, we are looking at alternative arrangements for polling stations as in COVID there has not been access to these locations. There may be a need for super polls which would combine polling stations.
 - The use of corporate resources policy was brought up to ensure that incumbents do not use corporate resources such as email lists and zoom licenses in order to promote their campaign.
 - Visiting schools in their civics and careers classes was discussed. This could be a potential way to advocate for voter turnout.

5. Other Business:

None.

6. Adjournment:

12:45 p.m.



Burlington Seniors' Advisory Committee (BSAC)

2022 Meeting Schedule

(meetings are generally the last Monday of the month)

Meeting time: 10:00 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Date	Location
January 31	Virtual via Zoom
February 28	Virtual via Zoom
March 28	Virtual via Zoom
April 25	Virtual via Zoom
May 30	Virtual via Zoom
June 27	Virtual via Zoom

Due to the 2022 municipal election, meetings will not occur after June 30.