

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF PEEL

STRATEGIC HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

SHHC - 1/2019

The Region of Peel Strategic Housing and Homelessness Committee met on February 21, 2019 at 11:05 a.m., in the Regional Council Chambers, 5th Floor, Regional Administrative Headquarters, 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, Brampton, ON.

- Members Present: G. Carlson; A. Groves; N. Iannicca; M. Medeiros; C. Parrish; P. Vicente
- Members Absent: G.S. Dhillon
- Also Present: D. Szwarc, Chief Administrative Officer, J. Sheehy, Commissioner of Human Services; C. Matheson, Commissioner of Corporate Services; J. Smith, Commissioner of Public Works; S. VanOfwegen, Commissioner of Finance and Chief Financial Officer; P. O'Connor, Regional Solicitor; D. Labrecque, General Manager, Peel Housing Corporation; A. Baird, Director, Housing Services; A. Macintyre, Deputy Clerk and Manager, Legislative Services; T. Ivanyshyn, Committee Clerk; S. MacGregor, Legislative Assistant; T. Kobikrishna, Legislative Assistant
- T. Ivanyshyn, Committee Clerk, presided

1. ELECTION OF THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

RECOMMENDATION SHHC-1-2019:

That Councillor Groves be elected Chair of the Strategic Housing and Homelessness Committee, for a term ending November 14, 2020 or until a successor is appointed.

RECOMMENDATION SHHC-2-2019:

That Councillor Vicente be elected Vice-Chair of the Strategic Housing and Homelessness Committee, for a term ending November 14, 2020 or until a successor is appointed.

Councillor Groves assumed the Chair.

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - Nil

^{*} See text for arrivals

[•] See text for departures

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RECOMMENDATION SHHC-3-2019:

That the agenda for the February 21, 2019 Strategic Housing and Homelessness Committee include a motion regarding the Committee's Terms of Reference, to be dealt with under Other Business – Item 8.1;

And further, that the agenda for the February 21, 2019 Strategic Housing and Homelessness Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

4. **DELEGATIONS** - Nil

5. REPORTS

5.1. **Peel Housing and Homelessness Plan: Proposed 2019-2020 Priorities** Presentation by Aileen Baird, Director, Housing Services

Received

RECOMMENDATION SHHC-4-2019:

That the proposed 2019-2020 Peel Housing and Homelessness Plan (PHHP) priorities, as described in the report of the Commissioner of Human Services titled, "Peel Housing and Homelessness Plan: Proposed 2019-2020 Priorities" be endorsed.

Aileen Baird, Director, Housing Services, presented the Peel Housing and Homelessness Plan: Overview and Priorities for 2019-2020. She provided an update on the current state of housing and role of Council and its five key accountabilities including: system planning; centralized wait list; asset sustainability; operational viability; and new development. She highlighted the housing continuum and the scope and scale of the housing system Council has authority over; housing stock and housing units under construction; and growing levels of unmet needs from emergency/temporary housing to supportive housing.

She provided an overview of Peel's Housing Organization Structure and highlighted the five strategic priorities for 2019-2020 including: housing master plan; incentives program pilot; client census; new client service delivery model; and private stock strategy. Once approved these priorities will become the committee's workplan for the year. Information and operational housing matters will continue to be reported to Council directly.

Members discussed the challenges of increasing the supply of affordable housing and suggested that local and Regional planning staff meet to discuss how policies could be aligned to incentivize homeowners to legalize their basement units and developers to build affordable housing units.

Aileen Baird undertook to work with staff from Finance and Planning and Growth Management to determine whether the 2019 priority to report to the SHHC on a proposed private stock strategy could be brought forward earlier in the year.

Councillor Parrish inquired about options to increase the existing private housing stock for families/individuals in need.

RECOMMENDATION SHHC-5-2019:

That staff review the feasibility of eliminating Development Charges for basement apartments and report back to the Strategic Housing and Homelessness Committee with findings.

6. COMMUNICATIONS - Nil

7. IN CAMERA MATTERS - Nil

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Additional Item:

8.1. Terms of Reference for the Strategic Housing and Homelessness Committee

RECOMMENDATION SHHC-6-2019:

Whereas the Region of Peel Strategic Housing and Homelessness Committee (SHHC) Terms of Reference were approved at the December 13, 2018 Regional Council Meeting;

And whereas, the Membership of the SHHC, as outlined in the Terms of Reference, included that a Member of the Planning and Growth Management Committee be appointed to the SHHC;

And whereas, the Planning and Growth Management is now a section of Regional Council which includes all Members of Council as opposed to a separate Committee;

Therefore be it resolved, that the SHHC Terms of Reference be amended to remove the requirement that a Member of the Planning and Growth Management Committee be appointed to the SHHC.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Strategic Housing and Homelessness Committee is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 11:00 a.m., Regional Administrative Headquarters, Council Chamber, 5th floor, 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, Brampton, ON.

Please forward regrets to Helena West, Committee Clerk, (905) 791-7800, extension 4697 or at Helena.west@peelregion.ca.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.