

MINUTES

Corporation of the City of Cambridge Youth Advisory Committee to Council Zoom 60 Dickson Street, Cambridge, Ontario July 8th, 2021 – 5:00 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance: Abigail Vivian, Maanas Naik, Fatima Awan, Julia Duarte, Ozioma Offiah, Sujude Kabbar, Madeleine Braga, Jenna Haveman, Aliyan Awan, Abdullah Awan, Harry Sharma

Members with Regrets: Melody Schmidt

Staff Members in Attendance: Heather Melo, Don Crowder, Shane Taylor, Councillor Nicholas Ermeta

Guest: There were no external guests.

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee to Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge was held on Zoom. Heather Melo, staff liaison welcomed everyone present and called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Disclosure of Interest

No disclosure of interest

Approval of Thursday, June 10, 2021 YACC minutes

Moved by: Fatima Awan Seconded by: Abdullah Awan

THAT the minutes of June 10th, 2021 YACC minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Bill Struck Award

Five committee members of YACC acted as the Youth Advisory Committee of Council's Bill Struck Scholarship Sub Committee. The Bill Struck Scholarship Committee selected the 2021 scholarship recipient on June 24th.

MOTION

The Bill Struck Scholarship Committee would like to make the motion that the Youth Advisory Committee support the scholarship funds through the contribution of \$146.00 from the committee's fundraised funds to support the scholarship. The Youth Advisory Committee Voted on the motion. All committee members were in favor.

CARRIED

July Youth Award Recognition

June's award was recognized as the teamwork award. Heather encouraged committee nominations.

For those looking to nominate an individual, please do so online at <u>https://www.cambridge.ca/en/parks-recreation-culture/awards-and-bursaries.aspx</u>

Recreation Complex Update

Shane Taylor and Don Crowder provided a presentation related to the developments of a community centre in south east area of Cambridge.

Shane introduced himself as the Project Manager and Don introduced himself as the main contact for facility and space programming.

The facility and community space provides opportunity for the City of Cambridge to partner with Idea Exchange and the two school boards.

The facility will provide the potential for a 10 lane pool and a wading pool.

The facility offers opportunity to host tournaments and new community programming.

There is potential for inner city/community sports leagues.

Esports is also developing quickly and the space would provide opportunity for development of esports.

It is hoped that a consulting firm will be hired in 2023 and the building to occur in 2025.

There is a project website that will be maintained to inform community of project progress.

The City of Cambridge has submitted a grant application for 25 million dollars to support the developments.

There will opportunity for further engagement of YACC during the project developments.

Program Update

PeopleCare – The program had demonstrated the capacity to meet the desired program outcomes. Heather will be meeting with PeopleCare staff next week to discuss how to move forward with the program

Thursday Night Live – Three performances have been rescheduled for August.

Youth Park Spaces - Open for use following Public Health guidelines. One Youth Park Space Ambassador has been hired. Position posting has been reposted in hopes to gain more interest.

Council Update

Councillor Ermeta shared that the General Manager's office is wishing to create a sense of place. It is of interest as to how the Youth Advisory Committee of Council would feel a sense of place can be created.

Other Business

No other business was addressed.

Next Meeting Formal Thursday, August 19th, 2021 – 5:00PM Held via Zoom

Informal Thursday, July 22nd, 2021 – 5:00PM Held via Zoom

Close of Meeting

Moved by: Madeleine Braga

Seconded by: Abdulla Awan

THAT the Youth Advisory Committee to Council meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

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Chairperson Abigail Vivian

Recording Secretary Heather Melo