

The **Minutes** of the **Mission Sustainable Housing Committee** meeting held in **Conference Room 2** at 7337 Welton Street and by videoconference on Thursday, April 13, 2023 commencing at 3:00 pm.

Members Present: Dawn Hein, Mission Association for Community Living, Chair

Tia Everitt, Mission Association for Seniors Housing, Alternate Chair

Ana Sanchez Bardales, Fraser Health Authority William Garcia, Mission Friendship Centre

Judith Ray, Citizen Representative Michelle Puffer, SARA for Women

Nate McCready, Mission Community Services Society

Members Absent: Carol Hamilton, Councillor

Annie Charker, Citizen Representative

Mission Hope Central

Gerald Heinrichs, Heinrichs Developments -

Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Staff Present: Mike Dickinson, Manager of Long Range Planning and Special Projects

Kirsten Hargreaves, Manager of Social Development

Sandra Horvath, Administrative Assistant

Others Present: Camilla Boisvert, Fraser Health Authority – entered meeting at 3:08 pm

Thomas Hruby, Resident

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

## 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved and seconded,

That the agenda of the Mission Sustainable Housing Committee meeting held on April 13, 2023 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

#### 3. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

- (a) The minutes of the February 9, 2023 meeting of the Mission Sustainable Housing Committee be approved.
- (b) The minutes of the March 9, 2023 meeting of the Mission Sustainable Housing Committee be approved.

Moved and seconded,

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That the minutes contained in **Items 3 a - b** be approved.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS

## (a) Affordable Housing Strategy Implementation

i. Housing Coordinator Updates

M. Dickinson and K. Hargreaves updated the Committee that work on the five key deliverables of the first year of the Affordable Housing Strategy is ongoing.

New information brought to the Committee includes:

- Federal and provincial funding opportunities, including the CMHC Accelerator Fund and the Homeless for People Program.
- "Faith in Mission" dialogue workshops are being held on May 4 and May 11 where all faith communities are welcome to attend to discuss the Affordable Housing Strategy, Community Wellness Strategy, and social and health-oriented plans happening in the community. From a housing perspective, it is an opportunity to invite faith communities that are already involved and those that would like to be involved (i.e., which ones have extra room on their property or extra parking lot space), as well as potentially partner with the City of Mission to build more affordable housing.
- Resources and Capabilities discussions are happening regarding land acquisition and funding.

#### ii. Secondary Suites Program Launch

A report from the Director of Development Services dated March 27, 2023 was provided for the Committee's information.

The secondary suites program will be launched in early 2024 and will include a minimal fee. The program framework will remove many of the barriers to full compliance by making the process attainable for a typical homeowner. with the initial focus being on unsafe (life-safety issues), and those with two or more suites in a dwelling.

Staff will be providing a follow-up to Council to provide information on the following:

- What are the estimated costs to be recovered?
- What have other communities experienced in terms of the effect on the secondary suite program subscription rates when fees increase?
- What are the pros and cons of utilizing the existing business license program?
- How would fines / penalties be structured?

## (b) Homes for People BC Action Plan

The Province's new "Homes for People" Action Plan was provided for the Committee's information. Staff will be giving consideration to this Plan while doing the upcoming OCP Update.

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# 5. ROUNDTABLE

The Committee members provided various updates.

# 6. **NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 3:00 pm in Conference Room 2 at 7337 Welton Street, Mission, BC and by videoconference.

# 7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded,

That the meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED** 

The meeting adjourned at 4:03 pm.

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