



MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, November 7, 2024, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Held in Meeting Room 1, 285 County Road 44

Pages

A. Open Meeting

B. Land Acknowledgement

The Municipality of North Grenville acknowledges that the Municipality operates on the territory of the Anishnabek.

We recognize all First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples who now call North Grenville their home. We respect and support the need for cultivating a strong relationship, and we commit to Indigenous-informed decision making to foster the path towards reconciliation.

C. Approval of the Agenda

D. Disclosure of Interest

E. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting

1. Committee Meeting Minutes - October 3, 2024

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F. Delegations

G. Decision Items

H. Correspondence/Information Items/Reports

1. Cahdco Report of Bell Hall

2. Terms of Reference
3. Identifiable Individual, Nadia Diakun-Thibault
4. Brockville Housing Meeting Follow Up
5. Quarterly Update On Housing

I. Other Business

1. Items for Next Meeting

J. Public Questions

K. Adjournment



**MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE
HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**October 3, 2024, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Held in Meeting Room 1, 285 County Road 44**

MEMBERS PRESENT Mayor Nancy Peckford
Councillor Kristin Strackerjan
Councillor Deb Wilson
Kevin Willey
Mitch Bloom
Nadia Diakun-Thibault
Ardis Lerner
Manpreet Shahi

MEMBERS ABSENT Alain Cayer

STAFF PRESENT Senterre McKenna, Committee Clerk

A. Open Meeting

Co-Chair Nancy Peckford called the meeting to order at 5:09p.m.

B. Land Acknowledgement

The land acknowledgment was read by Nancy Peckford.

C. Approval of the Agenda

Moved By Kevin Willey
Seconded By Deb Wilson

Be it resolved that:

The agenda for October 3, 2024 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

D. Disclosure of Interest

None.

E. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved By Deb Wilson
Seconded By Manpreet Shahi

Be it resolved that:

The following meeting minutes be approved as circulated:

1. August 7, 2024
2. September 5, 2024

CARRIED

1. Committee Meeting Minutes - August 7, 2024
2. Committee Meeting Minutes - September 5, 2024

F. Closed Session

Amendment to Closed Session, Nadia added a request to Nancy Peckford gave update on Campus, there are architectural plan in process, and they will be shared in the near future. Manpreet noted that there may be another business or individual interested in expanding the campus grounds, he can give and update in the future is a client of Manpreet. Nancy Peckford noted that the plans should be completed in approx. 6 weeks.

Moved By Deb Wilson
Seconded By Kevin Willey

Be it resolved:

THAT the Housing Advisory Committee proceed to Closed Session pursuant to Subsection 239(2)(k) of the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 239 (2) (k) regarding a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipal or local board, specifically for the approval of closed minutes.

CARRIED

1. Committee Meeting Minutes - August 7, 2024

Moved By Kevin Willey
Seconded By Manpreet Shahi

Be it resolved that:

The following meeting minutes be approved as circulated:

1. *Closed Minutes - August 7, 2024*

CARRIED

G. Open Session

Moved By Manpreet Shahi
Seconded By Kevin Willey

Be it resolved:

THAT the Housing Advisory Committee proceed to Open Session at 5:22PM.

CARRIED

Be it resolved that:

The following meeting minutes be approved as circulated:

1. August 7, 2024 - Closed Session

H. Delegations

None.

I. Decision Items

None.

J. Correspondence/Information Items/Reports

1. Work Plan Discussion

Workplan update changes made to Workplan Document attached to the minutes. [Housing Workplan Revised October 3, 2024](#)

Nancy Peckford noted various housing strategies with Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) as they support sustainable housing development and how they offer supports to local housing initiatives. She would like them to be present as a delegation soon. Kevin Wiley noted that there were more housing supports in 1960 than we have today. Discussion about the Ferguson Forest Land that is for sale and

suggested there is a potential for housing or some commercial use. Kristin Strackerjan said that Municipal lands need to be thought through before any sale of lands to developers.

2. Terms of Reference

Moved to November meeting.

3. Municipal Housing Corporation, John Barclay

Nancy Peckford noted that John Barclay decided to defer the item of Municipal Housing Corporation to the December meeting. Kevin Wiley shared that the New Commons Housing is making decision on local housing, he feels that a Municipal Level Housing Corp will be better focused on local housing needs. Nancy Peckford noted that there is a housing need and there is support from Leeds Grenville County, but not enough in North Grenville. She mentioned Shalom Homes and Habitat for Humanity Homes is focused on helping the community. There was some discussions about the future use of Bell Hall on the Kemptville Campus site. The options are still a possibility in the future that it can be used as apartment housing. Nadia Diakun - Thibault noted that she has been looking online at homes recently and there are no homes that are not affordable in the area. Nadia Diakun - Thibault suggested a working group to investigate supporting a housing authority within North Grenville.

Nancy Peckford mentioned that there is a [Building Housing Faster and Affordably Workshop](#) on Monday, October 21, 2024, at the Brockville Memorial Civic Center, if any members are interested. She advised other municipalities and counties that have initiated housing programs and have had success with secondary suites interest on properties. Limited feedback from residents interested in North Grenville and limited support from Leeds Grenville County. The costs are too high and it wasn't as successful of a program as initially thought. The National Cooperative Housing Association supports, but funding is limited currently.

ACTION: Committee Clerk to confirm Amy Martin is available to November meeting.

K. Other Business

1. Items for Next Meeting

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4. Brockville Meeting follow up

L. Public Questions

None.

M. Adjournment

Moved By Deb Wilson

Seconded By Manpreet Shahi

Be it resolved that:

The meeting held on October 24, 2024 adjourn at 6:16p.m.

CARRIED

CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

Schedule "B-10" to By-Law No. 23-23

Housing Advisory Committee

Purpose

To identify and advise on housing related matters, including affordable and attainable housing, as well as conduct research and provide advice to Council regarding housing policies, proposals and housing matters that are from time to time referred to the Committee by Council.

The Committee shall:

- a) Work with the Municipality of North Grenville to continue to advocate to senior levels of government increasing funding under affordable housing and housing support programs.
- b) To assist in the review and development of housing policy annually and making recommendations to Council on proposed policy changes.
- c) Provide comment on housing components related to the update of the Municipality's Official Plan.
- d) Investigate the development of alternative forms of affordable and attainable housing ownership models and facilitating and promoting these housing projects.
- e) Aid in increasing the diversity and supply of housing stock within North Grenville.
- f) Act as a commenting body to review housing development projects, including providing comments to Council.
- g) Identify current and projected needs for housing, including affordable and attainable housing, within the Municipality.
- h) Determine strategies to improve Municipal access to programs and/or funding for the development of housing, including affordable and attainable housing, through the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville
- i) Research effective models of affordable housing and best practice strategies found in other municipalities, including additional residential units, redevelopment and mixed housing developments.
- j) Identify strategies to promote the conversion of non-residential and residential buildings to be used for affordable and attainable housing
- k) Identify potential partners and partnership strategies with the private, non-profit and government sectors to assist in the development of affordable and attainable housing.

The Committee shall have regard to the shared priorities of the Community Strategic Plan, Committee Handbook, and Procedural By-Law.

Membership

The Committee shall be comprised of a minimum of four (4) and a maximum of nine (9) volunteer members, the Mayor as an ex-officio member, and up to two (2) members of

Council, all of whom have voting rights. A staffperson(s) from Planning and Development may also attend meetings as a liaison(s) to the Municipality.

In considering the appointment of voting members to the Committee, Council shall consider the following criteria for members of the Committee:

- a) Influential decision makers (current and retired) from various business/industry sectors,
- b) Individual members willing to take on specific responsibilities for specific areas of the program,
- c) The individual's qualifications and commitment as they relate to the Council adopted programs/policies; and
- d) Availability of members to participate in the programs/policies and attend Committee meetings.

The Municipality of North Grenville is committed to advancing equity, diversity, and inclusion in every aspect of its work, including appointments to advisory committees. An increase in diversity can assist in promoting equal opportunities and memberships with a diversity of lived experiences. A more diverse membership will contribute to the work of each advisory committee. Each advisory committee shall endeavour to have balanced representation from various equity- and inclusion-seeking groups including, but not limited to, people with disabilities, francophones, Indigenous people, newcomers, older adults, racialized community members, rural residents, 2SLGBTQIA+, those facing socioeconomic disadvantage, women, minority faith-based and spiritual group members, and youth.

The Committee, by a majority vote of its members, may recommend to Council to remove any member of the Committee who does not fulfil their obligations under their appointment.

Committee Chair

The Committee shall elect a Co-Chair from among its volunteer members. The position will be elected by a secret ballot by a majority of the voting members of the Committee. A Member of Council will act as a Co-Chair

The Co-Chairs will have a concurrent four-year term. In the absence of the Co-Chairs, the Committee shall appoint an Acting Chair.

The Co-Chairs will present the Committee's reports and recommendations to Council, as required with staff support.

Advisory Experts

The Committee may invite additional content experts to attend regular meetings and to present at specific meetings in order to meet its mandate.

Meetings

The Committee shall meet at least six times a year - either in person or via an accessible virtual platform. Additional meetings shall be held at the call of the Co-Chairs.

Agenda packages will be sent out the week prior to the meetings and published on the Municipality's website. Draft minutes will be distributed by email to each Committee member by the Planning and Development department within one (1) week following the meeting.

Quorum

Quorum of the Committee shall be a majority of the appointed members.

Votes by the Committee will be held at regular or special meetings. Decision making of the group shall be by majority vote.

Department Jurisdiction

Planning and Development - The Director is responsible to ensure that all associated legislative responsibilities to the Committee are fulfilled.

Staff Contact

Director of Planning and Development

Administrative Support

The Clerk delegates authority to the Building Clerk to provide minute taking. Agenda preparation and distribution will be done by the Building Clerk in conjunction with the Co-Chairs and Clerk's division. The Clerk's division will post the agenda on the Municipal website and via the meeting calendar invitation.

Budget

The Committee will prepare an annual work plan including budget requests ahead of the budget cycle. The Director of Planning and Development shall bring forward budget requests of the Committee as part of the Municipal budget process.