



**Town of Aurora**  
**Community Advisory Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021  
**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Video Conference

**Committee Members:** Balpreet Grewal (Chair)  
Laura Thanasse (Vice Chair)  
Shivangi Bagga (arrived at 7:12 p.m.)  
Chris Gordon  
Denis Heng  
Janet Mitchell  
Jennifer Sault  
Sera Weiss  
Councillor Sandra Humfries

**Members Absent:** Earl Cochrane

**Other Attendees:** Robin McDougall, Director of Community Services  
Techa Van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate Services  
Mat Zawada, Accessibility Advisor  
Phil Rose, Manager, Library Square  
Katrina Estacio, Marketing Creative Specialist  
Ishita Soneji, Council/Committee Coordinator

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**1. Procedural Notes**

This meeting was held electronically as per Section 19. i) of the Town's Procedure By-law No. 6228-19, as amended, due to the COVID-19 situation.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

## 2. Approval of the Agenda

**Moved by** Councillor Humfryes

**Seconded by** Laura Thanasse

That agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, be approved.

**Carried**

## 3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

## 4. Receipt of the Minutes

### 4.1 Community Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2021

**Moved by** Jennifer Sault

**Seconded by** Laura Thanasse

That the Community Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 18, 2021, be received for information.

**Carried**

## 5. Delegations

None.

## 6. Matters for Consideration

### 6.1 Memorandum from Accessibility Advisor; Re: Engaged and Inclusive Project

Staff provided an overview of the memorandum and background on the Engaged and Inclusive collaborative project involving Aurora, East Gwillimbury, and Newmarket lead by the Neighbourhood Network. Kim Clark, Gazelle and Company presented an overview of the project highlighting the focus on building increased inclusion in our communities. She further provided details on the objectives to better understand inclusive engagement through an integrated approach across the three municipalities and noted the next steps. The Committee expressed

appreciation to the team for their efforts and provided feedback regarding the project suggesting potential partnership with the local school board to broaden engagement opportunities for the student population.

**Moved by** Laura Thanasse

**Seconded by** Janet Mitchell

1. That the memorandum regarding Engaged and Inclusive Project be received; and
2. That the Community Advisory Committee comments regarding Engaged and Inclusive Project be received and referred to staff for consideration and further action as appropriate.

**Carried**

## **6.2 Memorandum from Manager, Library Square; Re: Library Square Renaming Consultation**

Staff provided an overview of the memorandum and background on the intent to rename Library Square and the efforts thus far in gathering potential names through internal and external consultation. Staff provided a brief description and sought the Committee's input regarding the following shortlisted names obtained through public engagement: Constellation Square, Aurora Junction, Church Street Square, Town Square, and C-Square.

The Committee and staff discussed about the importance of the name being representative of the current stakeholders, partnerships, and the expected collaboration of art, music, culture, heritage and recreation activities, special events, and other community events that would happen at the space. The Committee provided feedback regarding the proposed shortlisted names including the pros and cons of each name and provided alternate suggestions that would best represent the space. It was mentioned that further name suggestions from the Committee members could be forwarded to staff post the meeting.

**Moved by** Shivangi Bagga

**Seconded by** Janet Mitchell

1. That the memorandum regarding Library Square Renaming Consultation be received; and

2. That the Community Advisory Committee comments regarding possible names for Library Square be received and referred to staff for consideration and further action as appropriate.

**Carried**

**7. Informational Items**

None.

**8. Adjournment**

**Moved by** Sera Weiss

**Seconded by** Janet Mitchell

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

**Carried**