

Minutes of a Meeting of the Seniors' Advisory Committee held in the Community Services Boardroom and remotely via Zoom, on the above date at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Councillor Clark
S. Brown - Chair
C. Ferstay
S. Friedenthal
L. Jack – Vice Chair

Absent:

S. Clemens
G. Ewert
A. Urbina

Staff:

T. Boonstra, Staff Liaison
C. Wong, Deputy City Clerk

Call to Order – Welcome & Introductions

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed committee members and staff in attendance.

The Chair and Committee members welcomed Councillor Clark, Council Representative, to the Committee for the 2025-2026 term.

Land Acknowledgement

T. Boonstra read the Treaty Acknowledgement statement.

Adoption of the Agenda

The Chair declared the November 27, 2025 agenda, adopted as presented.

Adoption of Minutes

The Chair declared the minutes of June 16, 2025 adopted as presented.

Housing Coalition of St. Albert Update – S. Friedenthal

S. Friedenthal provided an update on the Housing Coalition of St. Albert meeting which included the Provincial Government changes.

Older Adult Working Group Update – L. Jack

L. Jack provided an update on the Older Adult Working Group, including the summer/fall activities to promote senior's needs/challenges.

Leg Services Update

C. Wong provided an update to the Committee on the 2026 Civic Agency Annual Intake which included the number of applications received for the Senior's Advisory Committee; interviews will be held on Saturday, November 29, 2025.

Seniors & Elders Service Awards Planning for 2026 – T. Boonstra

T. Boonstra provided an update to the Committee regarding the Seniors & Elders Service Awards Program, including nomination process.

Review of Year & Goals for Next Year – S. Brown

The Chair provided the status of the Committee's Annual Report, which will be on the January Committee's agenda. The Chair requested members to provide input over the next few weeks.

The Chair provided a review of the Committee's 2025 accomplishments. It was decided that the 2026 goals will be set by the Committee at its January meeting.

Council Update

Councillor Clark provided the Committee with Council updates, which included that Council approved its Legislative Appointments to Advisory Committees at the November 18, 2025 Council meeting.

Staff Liaison Update

T. Boonstra provided information on the role of the Staff Liaison, the Community Services department of the City of St. Albert and current community initiatives.

Round Table

Members and staff provided final comments on items of general interest.

Thank You & Recognition

The Chair thanked Committee members and recognized them for serving on the Seniors' Advisory Committee.

Council will be holding their Annual Board Appreciation Event on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, at 5:00 pm, at the Arden Theatre. Everyone should have received their invitation via email. Committee and family members are invited. Please RSVP by November 28, 2025.

Next Meeting Date

Wednesday January 21, 2026 @ 6:30 p.m. Douglas Cardinal Boardroom

Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

CHAIR

DESIGNATED OFFICER