



**September 4, 2025, 7:00 p.m.
Blaney Room
City Hall, 11995 Haney Place**

Members Present: S. Hall, Member at Large, Chair
M. Hansen, Member at Large
L. Mather, Member at Large (virtual)
M. Murray, School District 42 Board Trustee
S. Von Sychowski, Member at Large
C. Gosling, Member at Large
N. Carl, Member at Large (virtual)
R. Orom, Member at Large
C. Echeverri, *The Family Education and Support Centre and Local Immigrant Partnership Council*, Vice Chair

Absent: D. Bates, Member at Large
J. Earley, *Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Katzie Community Network*

Council Present: K. Carreras, Councillor
J. Dueck, Councillor

Staff Present: E. Davies, Committee Clerk
R. Brummer, Manager of Arts, Culture and Events (virtual)
C. Cowles, Manager, Community Safety & Wellbeing
A. Gander, Officer-in-Charge, Ridge Meadows RCMP
A. MacRae, Manager of Police Services
M. Malo, Prevention & Intervention Coordinator

(R. Brummer, L. Mather, & N. Carl attended the meeting virtually)

1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

S. Hall, Chair, called the meeting to order and provided the territory acknowledgement.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

R/2025-EHCAC-006

That the September 4, 2025, Engaged, Healthy Community Advisory Committee agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R/2025-EHCAC-007

THAT the minutes of the July 3, 2025, Engaged, Healthy Community Advisory Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 RISE/FYRST Update

The Manager, Community Safety & Wellbeing introduced the RISE leadership team, consisting of Superintendent A. Gander, Officer-in-Charge, Ridge Meadows RCMP, A. MacRae, Manager of Police Services, and M. Malo, Prevention & Intervention Coordinator.

The Prevention & Intervention Coordinator gave a presentation on the RISE project, a collaborative, multi-agency initiative. RISE is one of the first municipal projects of its kind, made up of a series of programs focused on intervention (including counselling and outreach, overseen by FYRST – Family & Youth Resource Support Team), prevention (which includes recreation and skill-based programs for youth), and community engagement & education (which consists of training & cross agency collaboration). The presentation gave an overview of the program, the risk factors associated with the program, a short testimonials video of successful participants, and case study data information on the impacts of the project, which included approximately 5,000 hours of police resources saved per year and over 7,900 community members engaged since 2023.

The Committee members were asked to provide their thoughts on the outcomes of the project, identified opportunities, and discussed how the project can further support youth and families in navigating resources. The Committee asked questions and engaged in discussion.

(The Officer-in-Charge, Ridge Meadows RCMP, Manager of Police Services, and Prevention & Intervention Coordinator left the meeting at 8:30 p.m.)

5. STAFF REPORTS

The Manager of Arts, Culture, and Events provided details about the Our Neck of the Woods event on September 6, 2025, in Memorial Peace Park. The Staff Liaison highlighted the daytime programming, including a zipline on 224 Street, live music, local vendors, and food trucks which will lead into the evening concert event, headlined by Sam Roberts Band.

The Manager, Community Safety & Wellbeing, highlighted the success of the BeDowntown initiative, noting that staff gained a lot of valuable feedback and acknowledging the work to do to further improve the perception of safety in the downtown area.

6. COUNCIL LIAISON UPDATE

Councillor J. Dueck noted that the Haney Farmers Market will be held in the Haney Place Mall on September 6, 2025, due to the Our Neck of the Woods event in Memorial Peace Park.

Councillor K. Carreras informed the Committee of all the work coming to Council after the summer break, including a lot of work on area plans. The Council Liaison also acknowledged the hard work of staff to create accessible and barrier free events for residents to attend, including the Rock the Block series, free swimming at Hammond Pool, and the Our Neck of the Woods event to let people feel included and get involved in the community.

7. MEMBER ROUNDTABLE

Committee members asked questions and provided feedback and reports on issues and activities related to arts, culture and recreation, community pride and engagement, and the safety and well-being of residents.

8. ADJOURNMENT – 8:58 p.m.



Steven Hall, Chair

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