

MINUTES- DRAFT

1/9/2025 meeting of the Mayoral Ad Hoc Committee on Homelessness

Attended: Sasha Anastasoff, Dave Bilodeau (co-chair), City Councilor Tim Cowan (co-chair), Jennifer Edwards, Bonnie Hayes, Bill Lowenstein, George Sheats, Marianne Veilleux

Excused: Peter Floyd, City Councilor Belinda Gerry

Meeting called to order at 6:05

General Meeting Notes:

- Bill L. made motion to accept minutes for 12/12/24 meeting; Bonnie H. seconded the motion. All members attending approved minutes; motion passed.
- Bonnie H. made a motion to excuse George's, Peter's and Marianne's absence. George S. seconded the motion. All members attending approved motion; motion passed.
- Paul and Michelle Bernard attended the meeting. The Bernards talked with the Committee members about their work helping the homeless over the past 3 years.
- Committee members reviewed the near-final draft of report being prepared for the Mayor and City Council.
- Updates on 121 Mill Street: State fire marshall highlighted two items to address before facility could be opened to the public. City staff are working to address both issues as quickly as possible. Hope to open in January. Phase 2- open in April.
- Committee members agreed to meet again on 1/23/25.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm