



# Yukon Legislative Assembly

## Special Committee on Electoral Reform

35<sup>th</sup> Yukon Legislative Assembly

### MINUTES

Meeting No. 16

Wednesday, February 2, 2022

Committee Meeting Room, Yukon Legislative Assembly, Whitehorse

The Special Committee on Electoral Reform met in camera this day at 12:32 p.m., the Chair, Kate White, presiding.

Members present: Kate White (Chair),  
Brad Cathers (Vice-Chair by videoconference), and  
Hon. John Streicker.

Also present: Dan Cable, Clerk of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, and  
Helen Fitzsimmons, Director Administration, Finance and  
Systems.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

It was agreed, on motion of Mr. Cathers, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Streicker, THAT the agenda for Meeting No. 16 of the Special Committee on Electoral Reform be amended to remove the item "Approval of Minutes of Meeting 15 (January 21, 2022)".

It was agreed, on motion of Mr. Cathers, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Streicker, THAT the agenda for Meeting No. 16 of the Special Committee on Electoral Reform be adopted as amended.

#### **Briefing on Finances of the Committee**

Ms. Fitzsimmons updated the committee on expenditures to date for the contract with committee researcher Keith Archer and with the Yukon Bureau of Statistics. To date approximately \$137,000 has been spent by the committee with \$58,000 spent on Keith Archer's contract and \$55,000 spent on the agreement with the Bureau of Statistics. The committee was also informed that there would be up to a further expenditure of \$30,000 this fiscal year for the roll out of the public survey and related communications work by contractor Mammoth.

#### **News Release on Public Hearings and Ongoing Activities of the Committee**

It was agreed, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Streicker, seconded by Mr. Cathers, THAT the committee release a news release highlighting the recent public hearings, directing people to the website to see the hearings if they missed them, and informing the public that a survey will be released shortly and there will be public meetings once the survey is complete.

**Motion to have another public hearing**

It was agreed, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Streicker,  
THAT the committee hold another public hearing, as soon as possible, with Dr. R. Kenneth Carty, Professor Emeritus of Political Science, University of British Columbia to specifically discuss citizens' assemblies.

**Committee Work Plan**

The committee directed the Clerk to find a time for a meeting with communications contractor Mammoth to discuss the communications plan and next steps within the work plan.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be to the call of the Chair.

At 1:13 p.m. the committee adjourned.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dan Cable", is written above a horizontal line.

Dan Cable  
Clerk of the Yukon Legislative Assembly