

MAYOR'S INDIGENOUS ADVISORY CIRCLE MEETING NOTES

DECEMBER 6, 2018

Meeting called to order at 9:41 a.m. and adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Brian Bowman Councillor Kevin Klein

Kimberley Puhach, Chairperson

Jessica Dumas

Elder Lucy Guiboche

Alan Greyeyes Damon Johnston

Councillor Sherri Rollins

Elder Norman Meade

REGRETS:

Elder Harry Bone

Elder Mae Louise Campbell

Dr. Marcia Anderson

Manley A. Begay Jr.

Dee Thomas-Hart

Dr. Cindy Blackstock

Dr. Phil Fontaine

Chantal Daniels

Kerri Tattuinee

Sean McCormick

Ry Moran

WINNIPEG PUBLIC SERVICE:

Tricia Chestnut, Senior Policy Analyst, Mayor's Office

Tracey Cechvala, Projects and Performance Metrics Coordinator, Indigenous Relations Division

Sherwood Armbruster, Senior Committee Clerk, City Clerk's Department

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: March 14, 2019

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No.	Item	Notes			
	· Call to Order				
 Opening Prayer by Elder Norman Meade Review and Acceptance of Notes of September 13, 2018 Meeting 					
1	Chair's Update	The Chair welcomed members and convened round table introductions of all members.			
		Congratulations and thank you for ongoing commitment of Mayor Bowman on his re-election along with the other members of City Council on October 24, 2018.			
2	Mayor's Update	The Mayor thanked the Chair for her ongoing commitment to the Circle. The Mayor acknowledged the past Chair Wab Kinew, Mayor's staff, Indigenous Relations Division staff, City Clerk's and all members of MIAC, including the Elders, for their important role.			
		The Mayor expressed appreciation for outgoing Councillors Gerbasi and Gilroy. He welcomed incoming Councillors Klein Rollins to the Circle.			
		It was noted that Festival du Voyageur is planning to make Reconciliation initiatives and matters related to Indigenous community prominent in their celebrations. They would like to join as an Accord partner and have a ceremonial signing on Louis Riel day.			
		An ice sculpture has been proposed for the City Hall courtyard. If members have creative content ideas or suggestions, please forward them to Tricia Chestnut in the Mayor's Office.			
		Within the larger community, MIAC has helped to lay a positive foundation by bringing people together in reconciliation. We won't erase the legacy of residential schools in one term, but we can set the tone for a better relationships and healthier community in the future.			
3	Accord Update:	The Chair introduced the history and background of Winnipeg's Indigenous Accord. Winnipeg has held two formal Accord signing ceremonies. Three			
	Business Plan –Asper School of Business	partner gatherings have been held to set goals and discuss where we are going. Each Gathering results in greater impact.			
		On Friday, November 30, 2018, Dr. Kevin Lamoureux, Associate Vice President of Indigenous UWinnipeg delivered a powerful presentation to City of Winnipeg Managers on <i>Reconciliation: Defined</i> .			
		Tracey Cechvala, Projects and Performance Metrics Coordinator, Indigenous Relations Division provided the attached Accord Update, entitled <i>Welcoming Winnipeg</i> .			

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4	Other Business:		
	i. Councillor Brian Mayes –	Councillor Mayes recently requested a report from city archives staff to better understand the history on the naming of Bishop Grandin Boulevard. The report noted that Bishop Vital-Justin Grandin advocated for residential schools in addition to being an advocate for Metis and French language rights. Councillor Mayes proposed that public interest and discussion of this matter presents an opportunity to educate the public and learn from history. He is committed to supporting an education effort by providing funding towards a formal commemoration.	
		The formation of the Grandin Mural Working Circle in Edmonton was cited as a positive model of how to "reconcile", rather than simply "erase" history. Instead of polarizing the community by tearing something down, the Circle led the community and generated positive momentum in creating something new.	
		As a next step, MIAC requested that communication pieces developed under <i>Welcoming Winnipeg</i> be shared with members of MIAC.	
	ii. Dr. Marcia J. Anderson – Youth Substance Abuse Conference	Matter tabled to Next Meeting	
	iii. 2019 MIAC Meetings	2019 Meeting Dates. All meetings to be held at 10 a.m. in the Mayor's Office Thursday, March 14 Thursday, June 13 Wednesday, September 11 Tuesday, December 10	
	iv. New Items	Damon Johnston provided an update on Thunderbird House. There is some good news under a new Board of Directors. Tax arrears have been paid and a community session will take place on January 15, 2019.	
Closing Prayer by Elder Lucy Guiboche			
	Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting March 14, 2019		