

# MAYOR'S INDIGENOUS ADVISORY CIRCLE MEETING NOTES

June 19, 2019

Meeting called to order at 10:25 a.m. and adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Brian Bowman

Kimberley Puhach, Chairperson

Elder Lucy Guiboche

Jessica Dumas

Elder Norman Meade

Dee Thomas-Hart

#### **REGRETS:**

Elder Harry Bone

Alan Greyeyes

Elder Mae Louise Campbell

Councillor Kevin Klein

Councillor Sherri Rollins

Damon Johnston

Manley A. Begay Jr.

Dr. Cindy Blackstock

Dr. Phil Fontaine

Sean McCormick

Dr. Marcia Anderson

Ry Moran

### WINNIPEG PUBLIC SERVICE:

Tricia Chestnut, Senior Policy Analyst, Mayor's Office

Rhonda Forgues, Manager, Indigenous Relations Division

Danielle Carriere, A/ Projects and Initiatives Coordinator, Indigenous Relations Division

Jessica Paley, Projects and Initiatives Coordinator, Indigenous Relations Division

Sherwood Armbruster, Special Projects Manager, City Clerk's Department

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: September 24, 2019

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No.	Item	Notes	
<ul> <li>Call to Order</li> <li>Opening Prayer by Elder Norman Meade</li> <li>Review and Acceptance of Notes of March 14, 2019 Meeting</li> </ul>			
1	Chair's Update	The Chair welcomed members and expressed appreciation to Indigenous Relations Division staff for their hard work on the recent Indigenous Accord signing event.	
2	Mayor's Update	The Mayor greeted members and reflected on the importance of work represented by the Indigenous Accord. With 26 new signatories in addition to the 124 previous signatories to the Accord, the Circle is setting the tone for the City and focusing the community on critical reconciliation work. The Indigenous Accord shows the pathway for Members of Council and the community.	
		On June 11, 2019, Executive Policy Committee directed the Winnipeg Public Service to review the <i>Final Report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls</i> to identify how the City of Winnipeg can respond to the Report's Calls for Justice that are within the City's jurisdiction	
		The Mayor advised that <i>Welcoming Winnipeg – Reconciling our History</i> and <i>Winnipeg's Indigenous Accord</i> Reports are on the Council Agenda for June 20, 2019. There has been positive feedback from other jurisdictions on Winnipeg's engagement process and a proactive approach to considering monuments and place names. Understand a as well as the interpretation of art has changed and we need to look to the artists to more accurately reflect our history. The right process invites people to come together to learn from each other, instead of polarizing and demonizing each other.	
		The Mayor thanked Indigenous Relations Division staff and acknowledged the effectual and diligent work of Tracey Cechvala who has taken on a new position within Winnipeg's Public Service.	
3	Welcoming Winnipeg Update	Rhonda Forgues, Manager, Indigenous Relations Division provided the attached update on Phase One consultations of the <i>Welcoming Winnipeg-Reconciling our History</i> project.	
		Exposures to accurate history and informed perspectives on historical markers can influence and shape views rooted in understanding as opposed to reaction.	
4	Accord Update	Danielle Carriere, Acting Projects and Initiatives Coordinator, Indigenous Relations Division provided the attached report on <i>Winnipeg's Indigenous Accord</i> .	

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		The June 2019 Partner Goals and Progress Report is available here: <a href="https://winnipeg.ca/indigenous/WIA/PartnerGoalsReport.pdf">https://winnipeg.ca/indigenous/WIA/PartnerGoalsReport.pdf</a>	
5	New Business	Jessica Dumas provided an update on preliminary discussions with local social enterprises and the importance of the Indigenous economy. Procurement for social enterprises that hire Indigenous people is a critical role for government. Additional material on upcoming opportunities will be forthcoming.	
Closing Prayer by Elder Lucy Guiboche			
Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting		September 24, 2019	