



**MAYOR'S INDIGENOUS ADVISORY CIRCLE
MEETING NOTES**

MARCH 16, 2017

Meeting called to order at 10:11 a.m. and adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Kimberley Puhach, Chairperson
Mayor Brian Bowman
Councillor Cindy Gilroy
Elder Mae Louise Campbell
Elder Lucy Guiboche
EJ Fontaine
Damon Johnston
Sean McCormick
Dr. Sherry Peden
Dee Thomas-Hart

VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE:

Manley A. Begay Jr.

REGRETS:

Councillor Jenny Gerbasi
Justice Murray Sinclair
Elder Harry Bone
Elder Norman Meade
Dr. Marcia Anderson-Decoteau
Dr. Cindy Blackstock
Jessica Dumas
Dr. Phil Fontaine
Alan Greyeyes
Chief Robert Louie
Ry Moran
Chantal Peden
Kerri Tattuinee

WINNIPEG PUBLIC SERVICE:

T. Chestnut, Senior Policy Analyst, Mayor's Office
R. Forgues, Manager, Indigenous Relations Division, Corporate Support Services
T. Kennedy, Projects and Performance Metrics Coordinator, Indigenous Relations Division, Corporate Support Services
A. Poitras, Senior Committee Clerk, City Clerk's Department

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: JUNE 15, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.

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	<p>Call to Order</p> <p>Opening Prayer by Elder Mae Louise Campbell</p> <p>Review and Acceptance of Notes of the December 15, 2016 Meeting</p>	
1	Mayor's Update	<p>Mayor Bowman provided the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winnipeg's Indigenous Accord was unanimously supported by the Executive Policy Committee and a recommendation has been made to Council for its approval. Thanks was given to those who spoke in support of the Accord at the meeting, specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kimberley Puhach, Chairperson, Mayor's Indigenous Advisory Council - Loren Remillard, Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce - Damon Johnston, Aboriginal Council of Winnipeg - Ry Moran, National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation - Thanks are also given to everyone involved in creating the Accord for their advice, including the City of Winnipeg Indigenous Relations Division. - The next step for the Accord is for City Council to consider it at its meeting on March 22, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Council Building, 510 Main Street. Everyone is invited to be in attendance at the meeting and to speak to the matter if they wish. The meeting will also be available via live stream for those who are unable to attend the meeting - http://www.winnipeg.ca/council/video.asp. - An official signing event for the Accord will take place in June in conjunction with the annual National Aboriginal Day celebration. - The majority of City Council has attended the W'daeb Awaewe course. Mandatory education sessions continue to occur for City staff. Mayor Bowman advised that he found the course to be powerful and learnt a lot from it. - An update on the Winnipeg Policy Board was provided. A new Chair will be announced shortly.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Youth Voices on Reconciliation event occurred in December and Mayor Bowman advised that he was in attendance. Four videos from youth who attended the event were shared with members of the Circle. - Yesterday Red River College announced the creation of an executive director position to provide leadership on Indigenous strategy. This is another example of how others are elevating their game.
2	Chair's Update	<p>The Chair provided the following comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A lot that has happened since the last meeting specifically, the Walk for Human Rights. It was a powerful morning and well attended by many diverse groups. - I met with Mayor Bowman and Mayor Clark from the City of Saskatoon who is interested in the work that's being done in Winnipeg. The Circle is inspiring others and I thank the Mayor for inviting me to attend the meeting and share with Mayor Clark. - Winnipeg's Indigenous Accord was presented to the Executive Policy Committee yesterday. I attended the meeting and spoke in support of the Accord, which is a multi-faceted document. It was a powerful morning. - We are wondering if it's possible for the Circle to attend the W'daeb Awaewe course together. Rhonda Forgues advised that this is possible and arrangements would be made.
3	Winnipeg Boldness Project & The Winnipeg Promise	<p>Diane Roussin, Winnipeg Boldness Project, provided a presentation titled <i>The Winnipeg Boldness Project – Creating opportunities for success for children in Point Douglas</i>.</p> <p>Videos can be viewed here: What is the Winnipeg Boldness Project? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VQRcRaPX_EM Canada Learning Bond: Growing Hope for the Future – The Winnipeg Boldness Project https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v0SQkJxBxQI What is Social Innovation: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1i7L6nOkQFo</p>

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4	Indigenous Relations Division Update	Rhonda Forgues, Manager of Indigenous Relations, accompanied by Mary Ferguson and Janet Murray provided a presentation titled <i>Mapping Urban Indigenous Peoples' Sustainable Livelihoods Project: Winnipeg</i> .
	Closing Prayer by Elder Lucy Guiboche Adjournment Next Meeting: June 15, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.	