



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

**March 8, 2018**

**Meeting called to order at 11:09 a.m. and adjourned at 1:05 p.m.**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor Brian Bowman  
Councillor Cindy Gilroy  
Elder Lucy Guiboche  
Dr. Marcia Anderson  
Alan Greyeyes  
Sean McCormick  
Elder Norman Meade  
Damon Johnston  
Dee Thomas-Hart  
Ry Moran

**REGRETS:**

Kimberley Puhach, Chairperson  
Councillor Jenny Gerbasi  
Elder Mae Louise Campbell  
Dr. Cindy Blackstock  
Senator Murray Sinclair  
Elder Harry Bone  
EJ Fontaine  
Dr. Phil Fontaine  
Chantal Daniels  
Manley A. Begay Jr.  
Kerri Tattuinee  
Jessica Dumas

**WINNIPEG PUBLIC SERVICE:**

Tricia Chestnut, Senior Policy Analyst, Mayor's Office  
Rhonda Forgues, Manager, Indigenous Relations Division  
Tracey Cechvala, Projects and Performance Metrics Coordinator, Indigenous Relations Division  
Sherwood Armbruster, Senior Committee Clerk, City Clerk's Department

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** 10:00 a.m., Thursday, June 14, 2018

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No.	Item	Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Call to Order</b></li><li>• <b>Opening Prayer by Elder Norman Meade</b></li><li>• <b>Welcome to Attendees</b></li><li>• <b>Review and Acceptance of Notes of December 14, 2017 Meeting</b></li></ul>		
1	<b>Chair's Update</b>	<p>Councillor Cindy Gilroy advised members of the following motion that was passed at the February 22, 2018 meeting of City Council:</p> <p>“Moved by Councillor Gerbasi, Seconded by Councillor Gilroy,</p> <p>WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg recognized 2016 as the “Year of Reconciliation”, to demonstrate the City’s commitment to reconciliation with Winnipeg’s Indigenous community;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg is committed to identifying ways to implement the five Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s Calls to Action including article 47 which reads:</p> <p>“47. We call upon federal, provincial, territorial, and municipal governments to repudiate concepts used to justify European sovereignty over Indigenous peoples and lands, such as the Doctrine of Discovery and terra nullius, and to reform those laws, government policies, and litigation strategies that continue to rely on such concepts.”</p> <p>AND WHEREAS on March 22, 2017, City Council unanimously adopted Winnipeg’s Indigenous accord as a demonstration of the City’s commitment to the ongoing process of reconciliation;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS Winnipeg’s Indigenous Accord states that Winnipeg is located within Treaty No. 1 Territory, the traditional lands of the Anishinabe (Ojibway), Ininew (Cree), Oji-Cree, Dene, and Dakota, and is the Birthplace of the Métis Nation and the Heart of the Métis Nation Homeland;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS on November 1, 2017, His Worship Mayor Bowman appointed Councillor Jenny Gerbasi as Secretary of Urban Indigenous Opportunities;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS Councillor Gerbasi as Secretary of Urban Indigenous Opportunities and as a signatory to the Winnipeg’s Indigenous Accord, committed to working collaboratively with the Mayor’s Indigenous Advisory Circle, the public service and the community to make changes in the policies and practices of the City of Winnipeg to encourage the continued act of reconciliation;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS one change in practice and policy that has been adopted in this</p>

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		<p>regard has been to acknowledge at some meetings of City Council and its Committees that the meetings are taking place on Treaty 1 land, the traditional homeland of the Metis Nation;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS ensuring this change in practice and policy occurs at all City Council and Committee meetings will show Winnipeg's continued on-going support of its Indigenous citizens and Winnipeg's history and heritage;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 governs the procedure at meetings of Council and its Committees;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. That the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 be amended to require that at the commencement of each Council or Committee meeting, the Chair acknowledge, in wording of their choosing, that the meeting is taking place on traditional Indigenous &amp; Métis peoples' lands;</li><li>2. That the City Solicitor / Manager of Legal Services be directed to prepare the necessary by-law amendment for Council approval within 60 days."</li></ol>
2	<p><b>Active Transportation – Education Component of Pathway</b></p> <p><b>Stephanie Whitehouse</b></p>	<p>Stephanie Whitehouse presented the attached report regarding the proposal to rename the North Winnipeg Parkway to the Migizi Parkway</p> <p>Members discussed the process and appropriateness of the renaming proposal. It is important to respect ceremony, know the historic names as well as appreciate the work that the community has done. There is also a measure of stewardship and accountability, to the land and nature, which comes with naming.</p> <p>The renaming needs to be done in a good way. Public education is critical. Members discussed holding a feast at Thunderbird House for a future renaming ceremony.</p> <p>For a next step, members agreed that it would be important to meet with the Resident's Committee and enter into a dialogue about the renaming.</p>
3	<p><b>Accord Update: All Partner Meeting Report</b></p> <p><b>Tracey Cechvala</b></p>	<p>Tracey Cechvala presented a report on the February 9, 2018 gathering of the Winnipeg Indigenous Accord partners.</p> <p>There were over 100 participants representing 70 partners. 18 City of Winnipeg staff supported the gathering as facilitators and note takers.</p> <p>On June 20, 2018, an Accord Signing Ceremony will be held for new partners.</p>

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		<p>The Accord Working Group will meet in April to discuss options for the development of a 5 year strategy for the Accord in collaboration with the Asper School of Business.</p> <p>See attached report for the full update and details on progress.</p>
4	<p><b>Other Business – Urban Indigenous Economic Development Zones</b></p>	<p>This item was tabled for discussion at the next meeting.</p> <p>Members noted that the appropriate term is: First Nations Economic Development Zones.</p>
	<p><b>Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting</b></p>	<p>June 14, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.</p>