

**DATE:** MARCH 29, 2021**MEETING NO. 03-2021****TIME:** 12:04 P.M.**PLACE:** VIRTUAL MEETING – MS TEAMS**CHAIR:** JASON VELTRI**ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mayor Bill Mauro

Councillor Rebecca Johnson

Councillor Cody Fraser

Ms. C. Audet, *Matawa First Nations*Ms. T. Kastern, *Fort William First Nation*Mr. M. Makuto, *Regional Multicultural Youth Council*Ms. M. Mayhew-Hammond, *Community Representative*Ms. M. McGuire, *TB Urban Aboriginal Advisory Committee*Ms. A. Muggerridge - *Thunder Bay Multicultural Association*Mr. Kiran Ramesh - *SUCCI representative*Mr. Ryan Scott, *Community Representative*Mr. Jason Veltri, *Community Representative*Insp. D. West, *Thunder Bay Police Service***OFFICIALS – ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. Norm Gale, City Manager

Ms. Regina Mandamin, Manager – Indigenous Relations &amp; Inclusion

Ms. Maureen Nadin, Committee Resource

Ms. Katie Piché, Council &amp; Committee Clerk

**GUESTS – ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**Ms. M. Dixon, *Regional Multicultural Youth Council*Ms. M. Walsh-Gibb, *Regional Multicultural Youth Council***1.0 LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Mr. J. Veltri acknowledged that we are meeting on the traditional territory of the Ojibwa Anishinaabe people of Fort William First Nation, signatory to the Robinson Superior Treaty of 1850, and acknowledged the history that many nations hold, and are committed to a relationship with First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples based on the principles of mutual trust, respect, reciprocity, and collaboration in the spirit of reconciliation.

**2.0 WELCOME, DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

The Chair welcomed those in attendance. There were no disclosures of interest declared at this time.

**3.0 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA****MOVED BY:** Mayor B. Mauro**SECONDED BY:** Councillor C. Fraser

With respect to the March 29, 2021 meeting of the Anti-Racism & Respect Advisory Committee, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

#### 4.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meeting No. 02-2021 of the Anti-Racism & Respect Advisory Committee held on February 22, 2021 to be confirmed.

MOVED BY: Ms. M. Mayhew-Hammond

SECONDED BY: Insp. D. West

THAT the Minutes of Meetings No. 02-2021 of the Anti-Racism & Respect Advisory Committee, held on February 22, 2021 be confirmed.

CARRIED

#### 5.0 CRIME PREVENTION UPDATE

Ms. L. Chevrette, Coordinator – Crime Prevention Council provided a PowerPoint presented relative to the “Youth in Solidarity Against Racism and Hate Project” including an overview of the Anti-Racism and Anti-Hate Grant Fund:

- Grant application was submitted in Fall 2020 to the Office of the Solicitor General – Safer & Vital Communities
- City has received a \$109,000 grant to be used over the next two years
- Funds will flow through the Thunder Bay Multicultural Association
- Builds on work of recommendation 112 (Seven Youth Inquest)
- Aligns with identified community priorities in CSWB Planning work
- Three phases
- Working with Youth Council on mural project with Die Active Art Collective (Definitely Superior Art Gallery)
- Grant will provide compensation for youth working on project
- Project will be coordinated through the Crime Prevention Council office
- Working Groups will be created for project planning

#### 6.0 THUNDER BAY CHILDREN’S CHARTER UPDATE

Mr. M. Makuto and Ms. M. Dixon and Ms. M. Walsh-Gibb (Members of the Regional Multicultural Youth Council) provided an overview of the Thunder Bay's Children's Charter and voiced concerns:

- There are currently no Members of Council on the Charter at this time
  - Child advocate needed on Council, youth want their voices to be heard
- Youth Council provided recommendations with the assistance of 250 high school students who also participated

It was noted that in 2017, a recommendation was presented to City Council to re-establish the Children's Charter Coalition, however, the recommendation lost. At this time, no further recommendations have been presented to Council relative to the Children's Charter.

Ms. R. Mandamin, Manager – Indigenous Relations & Inclusion (IRI) provided information relative to the above noted discussion:

- Numerous projects underway in the IRI office, including recruitment of youth member(s) on the City of Thunder Bay's Elders Council
- Youth Governance structure in process
  - Working with Youth Inclusion Program

A discussion was held relative to having a Member of Council or City Administration sit on the Youth Council as a non-voting member.

It was also noted that the Regional Multicultural Youth could make a deputation request to Council to request a Children's Charter advocate.

## 7.0 2021 STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE

The Chair provided an update relative to facilitator submissions received so far for the Strategic Planning session.

More information regarding the submissions will be provided at the next meeting, once all submissions have been reviewed.

Ms. R. Mandamin, Manager – Indigenous Relations & Inclusion provided an update relative to Strategic Planning Retreat coordination and advised that a placement student in the IRI office will be creating a survey for Committee members to complete relative to potential agenda items for the retreat, and priorities and strategy of the Committee.

## 8.0 INDIGENOUS CULTURAL AWARENESS TRAINING

The Chair advised that a Doodle Poll will be sent out to Committee members to determine what date(s) Committee members are available for the Indigenous Cultural Awareness Training session.

9.0 INCIDENT REPORTING WORKING GROUP UPDATE

Notes from the March 9, 2021 Incident Reporting Working Group were distributed with agenda, for information.

Vice-Chair Councillor C. Fraser assumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting. Chair J. Veltri departed the meeting.

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- T. Kastern - overview of land-based learning, workshops and kits provided to youth. Fort William First Nation has received great feedback.
- R. Mandamin - new staff member has joined Indigenous Relations & Inclusion team – Alain Joseph – Policy Analyst.

11.0 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 26, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. via MS Teams.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.