



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee

From: Karen Rennie, Manager of Arts, Culture and Heritage Division

Meeting Date: October 8, 2020

Subject: Report ACHAC20-020
Poet Laureate Project Update

Purpose

A report to advise ACHAC on an update from the Electric City Council (EC3) with regard to the Poet Laureate pilot program for 2020.

Recommendation

That the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC20-020, dated October 8, 2020 of the Manager of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Division, as follows:

That the verbal update with respect to the Poet Laureate Project be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

Committee, at its meeting of November 14, 2019 adopted the following motion:

That the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that the Poet Laureate Project be moved to the 2020 budget process; and,

That the verbal update be received for information.

COVID-19 has delayed the launch of the Poet Laureate program but in August the Emergency Control Group of the City of Peterborough approved proceeding with the Call for Poets and virtual interviews for the program. The official kick off for the program is still to be determined and subject to Public Health guidelines and restrictions.

This report was deferred from the September 10th meeting due to the absence of the EC3 from the September meeting.

Submitted by,

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