

To: Members of the Arenas, Parks & Recreation Advisory

Committee

From: Ken Doherty, Director of Community Services

Meeting Date: November 21, 2017

Subject: Report APRAC17-041

Update on Improving Relations with Local First Nations and

**Aboriginal Groups** 

## **Purpose**

A report to provide a presentation update on the development of a process to advance communications, consultations, and relations with local First Nations, Métis and Aboriginal Groups.

## Recommendation

That the Arenas, Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC17-041 of the Director of Community Services, as follows:

That a presentation by the Director of Community Services on City efforts to improve communications, consultations, and relations with local First Nations and Aboriginal Service Organizations be received for information.

## **Budget and Financial Implications**

There is no budget or financial implication in receiving the presentation update.

# **Background**

In response Report CSD17-17, dated June 19, 2017, Council approved the following recommendations:

- a) That staff be directed to prepare a future report on the City's role in implementing action items relating to municipal mandate in response to the **Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada**: Cover Letter, Reconciliation Principles, and Calls to Action (Appendix A);
- That staff be encouraged to use the Ministry of Municipal Affairs publications, Municipal-Aboriginal Relationship: Case Studies and Municipal-Aboriginal Relationships Presentation (Appendix B) as a resource guide relating to City/Local Aboriginal relations;
- c) That the Curve Lake First Nation document, **Consultation and Accommodation Standards** (Appendix C) be adopted to guide City consultations with the Curve Lake First Nation on matters of mutual interest or concern be deferred;
- d) That the Curve Lake First Nation document: **Archaeological Protocol: Curve Lake First Nations** (Appendix D) be adopted to guide City interactions with the Curve Lake First Nation regarding archaeological heritage, sites, or resources within the City that relates to local aboriginal heritage be deferred;
- e) That the Curve Lake First Nation Document, **2014/16 Curve Lake First Nation Community Report** (Appendix E) be received for information;
- f) That staff be directed to continue the development and/or initiation of relationships with the following local First Nations, Métis Associations, and Aboriginal service organizations including:
  - Curve Lake First Nation
  - Hiawatha First Nation
  - Other signatories of the Williams Treaty including: Alderville First Nation, Scugog Island First Nation, Rama First Nation, Georgina Island First Nation, and Chippewas of BeauSoleil First Nation
  - Peterborough and District Wapiti Métis Council
  - Nogojiwanong Friendship Centre
  - Niiikiwendidaa Anishnabekwewag Services Circle
  - · Lovesick Lake Native Women's Association, and
  - other local aboriginal groups as may be identified through this process

The Director of Community Services will provide an overview of consultations to date and general concerns identified.

Submitted by,

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#### Attachments:

Appendix A – Report CSD17-017 – Improving Relationship with Local First Nations Appendix B – Report CSD17-027 – Hiawatha Presentation and Update on discussions with Local First Nations, Métis, and Aboriginal Groups