

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

From: Becky Rogers, Manager, Arts, Culture and Heritage Division

Meeting Date: September 8, 2016

Subject: Report ACHAC16-040

Ontario Culture Strategy

Purpose

A report to inform the Arts Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee that Ontario has released its first Culture Strategy.

Recommendation

That the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee (ACHAC) approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC16-040, dated September 8, 2016 of the Manager of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Division, as follows:

That the Ontario Culture Strategy be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

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

Background

On September 24, 2015, the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (MTCS), formally launched public consultations regarding the development of the first-ever Ontario Culture Strategy. The culture strategy will serve as a guide for future government support for the cultural sector, through the principles and priorities identified through the public consultation. The Arts, Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee and City staff provided comments for the plan.

The first Ontario <u>Culture Strategy</u> was released on July 20, 2016. It is attached as Appendix A

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Attachment:

Appendix A – Ontario Culture Strategies - Telling Our Stories, Growing Our Economy