

TO: Members of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Advisory

Committee

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

MEETING DATE: April 11, 2013

SUBJECT: Report ACHAC13-010

Electric City Culture Council Status Update

PURPOSE

A report to introduce a presentation by the Electric City Culture Council Vice-President as an update on Culture Council activities.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC13-010, dated April 11, 2013 of the Manager of Arts, Culture and Heritage Division as follows:

That the status update by the Electric City Culture Council Vice-President on current Culture Council activities be received.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

BACKGROUND

Peterborough's Municipal Cultural Plan recommended the City support the establishment of a Culture Council. The Council is to be an arm's-length agency, coordinating, communicating, and advocating for Peterborough's arts and culture organizations, and focusing on the professionalization of cultural occupations. In 2012 the City provided a facilitator to work with the community to help develop such a council. An Interim Culture Council was created and following a series of meetings and an openhouse, the Electric City Council was established in September, 2012, and incorporated as a not-for-profit in November, 2012.

The Electric City Culture Council is being funded by the City of Peterborough this year, in the amount of \$25,000.00 to carry out these activities in conjunction with the implementation of the Municipal Cultural Plan.

The Culture Council submits quarterly progress reports and this status update reflects activities summarized in the March 28, 2012 report.

Submitted by,

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