

# **INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & FRIENDSHIP CITIES COMMITTEE**

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

- DATE: TUESDAY, 2017 JANUARY 31
- TIME: 6:30 PM
- PLACE: Clerk's Committee Room, Burnaby City Hall

# AGENDA

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# **INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & FRIENDSHIP CITIES COMMITTEE**

# **MINUTES**

#### Thursday, 2016 November 24

An Open meeting of the International Relations & Friendship Cities Committee was held in the Council Committee Room, Burnaby City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Thursday, 2016 November 24 at 12:00 PM.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT:	Councillor P. McDonnell, Chair
	Councillor J. Wang, Vice Chair
	Councillor P. Calendino, Member
STAFF:	Mr. Aaron Fourt, Community Engagement Manager
	Ms. Eva Prior, Administrative Officer
	Ms. Nikolina Vracar, Administrative Officer

The Chair called the Open meeting to order at 12:11 p.m.

## 2. <u>MINUTES</u>

A) Minutes of the Open meeting of the International Relations and Friendship Cities Committee held on 2015 April 29

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR WANG

THAT the minutes of the Open International Relations & Friendship Cities Committee meeting held on 2015 April 29 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.A)

## 3. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

#### MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WANG SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO

THAT the correspondence be received.

### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### A) Correspondence from Zhengzhou Municipal People's Government <u>Re: 2017 Zhengzhou International Garden Expo</u>

Correspondence was received from Mr. Cai Yuqi, Director of Foreign and Overseas Chinese Affairs Office of Zhengzhou Municipal People's Government, regarding the 11th China (Zhengzhou) International Garden Expo that will be held in September 2017 in Zhengzhou. Mr. Yuqi invited City of Burnaby to showcase the City at the Garden Expo.

Mr. Yuqi also suggested that the two cities strengthen cooperation in the areas of culture and education, science and technology, city management and other areas that promote development of the two cities.

The Committee noted that the City of Burnaby does not generally participate in exhibitions.

Staff advised that the Burnaby Board of Trade and Tourism Burnaby might be able to send materials to the Expo and the City could send materials featuring its Eco-sculpture program.

Arising from discussion, the following motion was introduced:

### MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR WANG

THAT this item of correspondence be **REFERRED** to staff to investigate participation required, including costs and personnel, and benefits of participation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### B) Memorandum from Community Engagement Manager <u>Re: Agenda Items Related to IR & FCC Meeting</u>

A memorandum was received from the Community Engagement Manager providing information on January 2017 visit by a five-member delegation from the Alibaba Group, leading Chinese E-Business, to the City of Burnaby.

Arising from discussion, the following motion was introduced:

#### MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR WANG

THAT staff continue to work with the Burnaby Board of Trade to arrange meetings and information sessions with the Alibaba Group delegation.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Further to the memorandum received from the Community Engagement Manager, discussion regarding Summer 2017 student exchange program with Sister of Hwaseong ensued.

Under the student exchange program, students from Hwaseong would visit Burnaby and students from Burnaby would visit Hwaseong for two weeks next summer to participate in cultural and educational programs.

The Committee received on-table correspondence from the City of Hwaseong providing additional details regarding the 2017 student exchange program (e.g., dates for each exchange, the number of participants and parties responsible for expenses).

The Committee noted that middle school students are identified as participants in the exchange program and asked for clarification of the age of students who would participate in the exchange program.

Staff undertook to contact the City of Hwaseong and clarify participating students' age.

Arising from discussion, the Committee introduced the following motion:

#### MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR WANG

THAT this item of correspondence be **REFFERED** to staff to provide a report on accommodations and costs associated with the student exchange program.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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### 4. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

There were no items of new business brought before the Committee at this time.

## 5. INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries brought before the Committee at this time.

## 6. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR WANG

THAT this Open Committee meeting do now adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Open meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

Nikolina Vracar ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER Councillor Paul McDonell CHAIR

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COMMITTEE REPORT

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND FRIENDSHIP CITIES COMMITTEE	DATE:	2017 January 31
FROM:	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER	FILE: Reference:	2410 - 20 IRFCC
SUBJECT:	2017 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS EXPE	NSES	

**PURPOSE:** To seek expenditure authorization for general purpose international relation related expenses.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. THAT the Committee authorize expenditures to an annual maximum of \$20,000 for delegation related activities from the International Relations and Friendship Cities Committee 2017 budget.

#### REPORT

The City of Burnaby maintains Sister and Friendship City relationships that meet the goals and objectives of Burnaby's International Relations and Friendship Cities Program. Throughout the year, Burnaby participates in mutual learning opportunities to share best practices from other areas of the world. This report is intended to authorize the expenditure of funds for general delegation purposes and other related international relations activities from the International Relations and Friendship/Cities Committee 2017 budget.

Aaron Fourt<sup>6</sup> Community Engagement Manager

cc:

City Manager Deputy City Manager Director Finance



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COMMITTEE REPORT

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND FRIENDSHIP CITIES COMMITTEE	DATE:	2017 January 31	
FROM:	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER	FILE: Rejerence:	2410 - 20 IRFCC	
SUBJECT:	2017 CITY OF BURNABY CHINA DELEGATION			
<b>PURPOSE:</b>	To seek funding approval for a Council delegation visit to China in 2017.			

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. THAT City of Burnaby Council representatives outlined in this report be authorized to attend the delegation visit to Burnaby's Sister and Friendship Cities in China from March 7-18, 2017, and that all associated expenses be approved for payment in accordance with City Policy from the International Relations and Friendship Cities Committee 2017 operating budget.

#### REPORT

The City of Burnaby maintains Sister and Friendship City relationships that meet the goals and objectives of Burnaby's International Relations and Friendship Cities Program. Meetings and discussions are being planned to highlight Burnaby's strengths in terms of key economic sectors and overall economic development as well as in the fields of education, tourism, and environmental and social sustainability. A detailed itinerary is being prepared to reflect the interests and specializations of the delegation to maximize opportunities for mutual learning and the sharing of best municipal practices. City of Burnaby Council delegates include Mayor Derek Corrigan, Councillors Dan Johnston, Paul McDonell, Pietro Calendino, and James Wang.

City staff and external partners who will accompany the Council delegation include: City Manager Lambert Chu, Director of Planning and Building Lou Pelletier, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Dave Ellenwood, Community Engagement Manager Aaron Fourt and Burnaby Board of Trade, Tourism Burnaby and the Burnaby School District representatives.

Aaron Fourt

Community Engagement Manager

- cc:
- City Manager Deputy City Manager Director Finance