

**INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND FRIENDSHIP CITIES COMMITTEE**

*HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR  
AND COUNCILLORS*

**SUBJECT: FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR RECIPROCAL VISIT OF ARTIST  
DELEGATION FROM GUIYANG, GUIZHOU PROVINCE, CHINA**

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. THAT Council approve \$2,040.00 in financial support to off-set costs of a reciprocal visit of delegates from Guiyang, Guizhou Province, China.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Roxsane Tiernan, 7797 Elford Street, Burnaby, BC V3N 4B6.

**REPORT**

The International Relations and Friendship Cities Committee, at its meeting held on 2014 October 28, received correspondence from Ms. Roxsane Tiernan, Burnaby Artists Guild, requesting financial support for a reciprocal visit of artists from City of Guiyang, Guizhou Province, China.

In April of 2014, representatives from the Burnaby Artists Guild and a Burnaby Council representative visited Guiyang, China to attend the Canadian Art Expo. The cultural exchange also included visits to art programs in universities and middle schools as well as participation in joint art projects.

A reciprocal visit to Burnaby in 2015 April is anticipated by a delegation from the City of Guiyang. Ms. Tiernan has requested \$2,040.00 in financial support to off-set a portion of the hosting costs.

With Council's approval, funding is available through the International Relations and Friendship Cities Committee budget to assist with financial support. The Committee agrees that this opportunity to assist with this cultural exchange meets the goals and objectives of Burnaby's International Sister and Friendship Cities program.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor R. Chang  
Chair

Councillor P. McDonell  
Vice Chair

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