



INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS &
FRIENDSHIP CITIES COMMITTEE

DATE: 2016 November 24

FROM: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

FILE: 2410-20

Reference: IR&FCC

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEMS RELATED TO IR&FCC MEETING

In addition to one item of correspondence, the two following items have been brought forward for further discussion at the November 24th, 2016 meeting of the International Relations and Friendship Cities Committee.

1. A five-member delegation from the Alibaba Group will visit the City of Burnaby on January 15th and 16th, 2017. City staff is working with the Burnaby Board of Trade, local businesses, and educational institutions to make appropriate plans and preparations. The Alibaba Group is the leading Chinese E-Business Group whose activities are comprised of core commerce, cloud computing, digital media and entertainment, innovation initiatives, as well as logistics and local services sectors, among others.
2. Discussions have been initiated by Burnaby's Korean Sister City of Hwaseong to pursue a Summer 2017 student exchange program whereby students from Hwaseong will visit Burnaby and take part in cultural and educational programs for a 2-week period. Hwaseong will reciprocate the exchange for Burnaby students to visit Korea for a 2-week period to learn about local government, Hwaseong-based companies such as Hyundai and Samsung, and take part in cultural and educational exchanges.

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