

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND FRIENDSHIP CITIES COMMITTEE

TO: *MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS*

**SUBJECT: NEW AND CURRENT SISTER AND FRIENDSHIP CITY
RELATIONSHIPS**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT staff be directed not to further pursue the formal Friendship City relationships with the cities with whom relationships were previously concluded, as recommended at the International Relations and Friendship Cities Committee meeting held on July 2, 2025.

REPORT

At its meeting held on the March 25, 2025, Council received and adopted a report titled "Review of New and Current Sister and Friendship City Relationships", which sought Council direction on re-establishing and concluding certain Sister and Friendship City relationships.

The International Relations and Friendship Cities Committee, at its meeting held on July 2, 2025, received a verbal update from the Director Intergovernmental Relations and Public Affairs regarding new and existing Sister and Friendship City relationships. The Director advised that letters have been sent to the municipalities where the City expressed interest in re-formalizing Sister and Friendship City relationships. It was also noted that letters have not been sent to cities with whom relationships were previously concluded, due to lack of available contact information.

On behalf of the International Relations
and Friendship Cities Committee,

Councillor P. Calendino
Chair

Councillor J. Wang
Vice Chair