

Office of the CAO Innovation and Transformation Branch

Date: April 27, 2022

To: Community Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee (CDEIC)

From: Alexander Pershai, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer

Re: City Staff Update

I respectfully submit the following update to the CDEIC on key aspects related to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Oshawa:

1. Recruitment of the Temporary Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer

 Alexander Pershai was hired as the Temporary Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer in April 2022.

2. Indigenous Relations Advisor Position

 City staff are working on the job description and recruitment process for an Indigenous Relations Advisor position with the City.

3. Islamophobia and Anti-Hate Community Workshop

- The City of Oshawa has partnered with the Municipality of Clarington and Oshawa and Clarington libraries to host an Islamophobia and Anti-Hate Workshop for community members.
- The workshop will be facilitated virtually by the Canadian Council of Muslim Women on May 25 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm.
- Registration for the workshop is available at: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/digital-anti-racism-education-workshop-registration-318829155587.

4. In-person Meeting

- City staff are planning to work with CDEIC members to determine the appropriateness and timing of an in-person meeting.
- Members will be asked to provide feedback and input on when the meeting is scheduled and how to make it accessible for everyone.