

Meeting Notes
Cultural Leadership Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 11, 2025 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Teams – Online Meeting

Present:

- Alyssia Nelson, Individual
- Jennifer Clark, Oshawa Public Libraries
- Hannah Keating, The Robert McLaughlin Gallery
- Kimberly Lepine, Oshawa Seniors Community Centres
- Lauren Gould, The Robert McLaughlin Gallery
- Lisa Terech, Oshawa Museum, Community Engagement
- Samuel Richardson, Canadian Tank Museum: Home of the Ontario Regiment Museum

Regrets:

- Pariss Garramone, Ontario Tech University
- Deb Oldfield, Oshawa Art Association
- Kevin Maina, Trent University
- Moreen Fearon-Tapper, Durham College

Staff: S. Kordalewski, B. Waite, A. Ihamaki

1. Recognition of Indigenous Lands (5 minutes)

The City of Oshawa is situated on lands within the traditional and treaty territory of the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Anishinaabeg and the signatories of the Williams Treaties, which include the Mississaugas of Scugog Island, Curve Lake, Hiawatha and Alderville First Nations, and the Chippewas of Georgina Island, Rama and Beausoleil First Nations.

We are grateful for the Anishinaabeg who have cared for the land and waters within this territory since time immemorial.

We recognize that Oshawa is steeped in rich Indigenous history and is now present day home to many First Nations, Inuit and Métis people. We express gratitude for this diverse group of Indigenous Peoples who continue to care for the land and shape and strengthen our community.

As a municipality, we are committed to understanding the truth of our shared history, acknowledging our role in addressing the negative impacts that colonization continues to have on Indigenous Peoples, developing reciprocal relationships, and taking meaningful action toward reconciliation. We are all Treaty people.

2. Welcome (5 minutes)
3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest (5 minutes)
 - No pecuniary interests were declared.
4. Approval of Previous Meeting Notes (5 minutes)
 - Meeting notes from October 8, 2024 were approved.
5. Member Roundtable (20 minutes)
 - Members provided an update on upcoming events, programs and activities.
6. Discussion
 - 2025 Events
 - Convergence
 - Staff presented ideas for discussion on activations for the City's participation in Convergence 2025.
 - Culture Days 2025
 - Staff provided an update and requested input on Culture Days 2025 planning for a City-run event.
 - Call for Artists – Art & Culture in the Hall
 - Staff provided information for a Call for Artists for Art & Culture in the Hall, requesting input from the members on the structure of the Call for Artists.
7. Staff Updates (40 minutes)
 - Mural Review Plan Council Update
 - Staff provided an update on Council recommendations regarding report ED-24-112.
 - Culture Counts Awards
 - Staff provided an update on the 2025 Culture Counts Awards.
 - Public Art Projects
 - Bond Simcoe Urban Square
 - Staff provided an update on the status of the Bond Simcoe Urban Square public art project and open house event.
 - Victoria Laneway Grant Application
 - Staff provided an update on a grant application for a potential mural on Victoria Street.
 - Land Acknowledgement Sign Project

- Staff presented information on a collaborative project with the City's Diversity, Equity and Reconciliation team to include public art on land acknowledgement signs in City facilities.
- TeachingCity Project
 - Durham College Community Collaboration Course
 - Staff provided an update on the status of the Durham College Community Collaboration Course temporary public art project.

8. Committee Updates (5 minutes)

- PATF
 - An update was provided about the previous Public Art Task Force meeting.
- CCC
 - An update was provided on the Community Centennial Committee.

9. Other Business (5 minutes)

10. Adjournment (5 minutes)

Upcoming meetings –

- Tuesday, April 8 at 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 10 at 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 12 at 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 14 at 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 9 at 6 p.m.