

2ND REPORT OF THE

LONDON DIVERSITY AND RACE RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on April 17, 2014, commencing at 12:12 p.m.

PRESENT: P. Shanahan (Chair), S. Behruz, S. Kassam, A. Medina, I. Silver, M. Singeris and D. Wettlaufer and B. Mercier (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: F. Andrighetti, M. L. Goodfellow, D. Hamou, K. Husain, R. Hussain, L. Kowalchuk, D. Lacey, A. Prince and T. Tomchick-Condon.

REGRETS: C. Callander, F. Cassar, C. Hamilton and J. Tufts.

I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

Nominations
Sub-
Committee

1. (E,5) That the Human Resources Division and the Communications Division **BE REQUESTED** to provide leadership responsibility for the Diversity, Race Relations and Inclusivity Award (DRRIA), with the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC), and its Sub-Committees, to act in a support capacity, as outlined in Council Policy 1(10) – Diversity, Race Relations and Inclusivity Award; it being noted that:

- a) DRRIA leadership responsibility would entail administering and promoting the Award and acting as a liaison with the LDRRAC on matters pertaining to the Award; and,
- b) the DRRIA leadership role, noted in a) above, would include, but not be limited to, creating and implementing a communications strategy to promote the Award, creating and distributing promotional materials, actively soliciting city-wide nominations, coordinating aspects of Award-related event planning at City Hall, communicating with Award nominees and Award winners, etc;

it being noted that the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) heard a verbal update from T. Tomchick-Condon, and reviewed and received the Nominations Sub-Committee minutes from its meeting held on April 8, 2014.

II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Election of
Vice Chair

2. (Add) That the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) elected M. Singeris as its Vice Chair for the term ending November 30, 2014.

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| Western University – Indigenous Services | 3. That the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) heard a presentation from C. Brunette, Indigenous Services Coordinator, Western University Ontario, with respect to its indigenous services. |
| Chairs Remarks | 4. That the Chair emphasized the importance of meeting attendance by Voting Members, in light of recent meeting cancellations due to quorum issues. |
| Community Updates | 5. That the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) was advised of the following community updates by its members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) April 27, 2014 – Holocaust Memorial Day; b) May 2, 2014 – LUSA Literacy Fundraising Event; c) May 3, 2014 – Canadian Council for the Blind movie night; d) May 10, 2014 – London Cross Cultural Learner Centre - Cultural Diversity Day; and, e) June 20, 2014 – World Refugee Day. |
| Education Sub-Committee | 6. (B) That the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) heard a verbal update from M. Singeris and reviewed and received the Education Sub-Committee minutes from its meeting held on April 9, 2014. |
| Policy and Planning Sub-Committee | 7. (C) That the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) heard a verbal update from P. Shanahan, and reviewed the Policy and Planning Sub-Committee minutes from its meetings held on March 6 and April 3, 2014, respectively. The LDRRAC asked that the matter of the LDRRAC Sub-Committee Structure be placed on its next agenda, for further discussion and revision. |
| Envisioning and Planning | 8. (4) That the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) postponed its discussion of envisioning and planning to its next meeting. |
| 1st Report of the LDRRAC | 9. That the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) noted and filed the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) (1) the 1st Report of the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee from its meeting held on February 20, 2014; |
| Newcomer Champion Award | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b) (2) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on March 18, 2014, with respect to the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration’s Newcomer Champion Award; and, |

Lincoln M.
Alexander
Award

c) (3) a communication dated March 2014, from The Honourable Michael Coteau, Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration, with respect to the Lincoln M. Alexander Award.

Next
Meeting

10. That the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) will hold its next meeting on May 15, 2014.

The meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.