

City of Kelowna

Regular Council Meeting

AGENDA



Monday, January 30, 2017

9:00 am

Knox Mountain Meeting Room (#4A)

City Hall, 1435 Water Street

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THAT this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90(1) (b) and 90(2) (b) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:
 - Acquisition, Disposition or Expropriation of Land or Improvements
 - Negotiations with another level of Government (Province)
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City of Kelowna Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, January 23, 2017
Location: Knox Mountain Meeting Room (#4A)
City Hall, 1435 Water Street

Members Present Mayor Colin Basran, Councillors Maxine DeHart*; Ryan Donn, Charlie Hodge, Gail Given, Tracy Gray, Brad Sieben, Mohini Singh and Luke Stack

Staff Present City Manager, Ron Mattiussi*; City Clerk, Stephen Fleming*; Legislative Coordinator (Confidential), Arlene McClelland*

(* Denotes partial attendance)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Basran called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved By Councillor Stack/Seconded By Councillor Gray

R040/17/01/23 THAT the Minutes of the Regular AM Meeting of January 16, 2017 be confirmed as circulated

Carried

3. Resolution Closing the Meeting to the Public

Moved By Councillor Hodge/Seconded By Councillor Donn

R041/17/01/23 THAT this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90(1) (a) and (e) and Section 90(2) (b) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:

- Position Appointments
- Municipal and Provincial Negotiations
- Acquisition, Disposition or Expropriation of Land or Improvements

Carried

4. Adjourn to Closed Session

The meeting adjourned to a closed session at 9:08 a.m.

5. Reconvene to Open Session

The meeting reconvened to an open session at 9:55 a.m., with Councillor DeHart absent.

6. Issues Arising from Correspondence & Community Concerns

6.1 City Clerk, re: Public Hearing Options

City Clerk:

- Displayed Tourism Kelowna Public Hearing options and responded to questions from Council.

Council:

- Discussed the Tourism Kelowna Public Hearing options.

City Manager:

- Responded to questions from Council.

Councillor Dehart rejoined the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

7. Reconvene to Closed Session

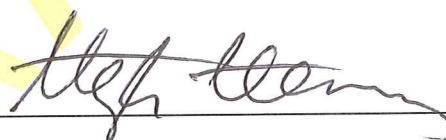
The meeting reconvened to a closed session at 10:07 a.m.

8. Termination

The meeting was declared terminated at 10:45 a.m.

Mayor

/acm



City Clerk

Report to Council



Date: January 30, 2017
File: 0705-30
To: City Manager
From: Sandra Kochan, Cultural Services Manager
Subject: Response to Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action

Recommendation:

THAT Council receives, for information, the report dated January 30, 2017 from the Cultural Services Manager, providing an overview of the findings of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, the importance of reconciliation, and examples of how other communities and agencies have embarked on reconciliation work;

AND THAT Council supports in principle a proposal for staff to work with the En'owkin Centre and the Institute for Community Engaged Research at the University of British Columbia Okanagan to develop a framework and educational resources for the City of Kelowna's approach to reconciliation;

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to report back with an update regarding the work with the En'owkin Centre and the Institute for Community Engaged Research.

Purpose:

To provide Council with background information about the report and Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and share examples of reconciliation initiatives from other agencies and communities.

Background:

A current Council Service Request directs staff to 'review the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action and report back to Council with respect to which Calls to Action staff recommend the City of Kelowna commit to.'

The work of Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) culminated in the release of its findings and calls to action on June 2, 2015. This marked the close of a six-year process during which three Commissioners heard more than 6,750 survivor and witness statements from across the country. The testimony of these individuals forms a record of over a century of abuse at Indian Residential

Schools, and a resulting legacy of injustice, inequity and familial trauma which extends over seven generations.

According to the Honourable Justice Murray Sinclair, TRC Chair, the 94 Calls to Action represent the first step toward redressing the legacy of Indian Residential Schools and advancing the process of reconciliation. The Calls to Action highlight the role that all levels of government, the child welfare system, education, healthcare, justice, media, community organizations and others can and will play in healing the wounds of the past and becoming a more just, fair and caring society.

Canadian communities responding to the Calls to Action:

Organizations such as Union of BC Municipalities and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities have demonstrated leadership in calling upon their members to respond. Local governments across Canada are responding in many different ways, ranging from modest recognition monuments at important sites, to large-scale integration of reconciliation principles within civic planning and operations. The City of Vancouver, for example, proclaimed a Year of Reconciliation starting in 2013, and has now become a City of Reconciliation, with a multi-year plan, cultural competency training for hundreds of managers and employees, and the hiring of its first Manager of Aboriginal Relations.

In all communities, the first step on the path to reconciliation is education and awareness. Local agencies such as Interior Health and School District 23 have already implemented agency-wide educational programs which convey the historical truths revealed by the TRC and aid staff in integrating reconciliation into their core programs and services.

Kelowna's response to the Calls to Action:

In addition to continuing dialogue with local First Nations governments, the City of Kelowna's response to the TRC report and Calls to Action should also include education and awareness for Council and staff. With the assistance of the En'owkin Centre and UBC Okanagan's Institute for Community Engaged Research, staff will develop a framework within which Council and all City of Kelowna staff will have the opportunity to learn about, and engage with, reconciliation in their work.

Reconciliation is a journey, not a project with a definable start and end. The opportunities for reconciliation in the work of City staff will emerge in many different ways over time as mindsets and relationships evolve. It is anticipated that every department, equipped with knowledge and awareness, will discover ways in which its work will change in response to the reconciliation calls to action. These discoveries, large and small, will all contribute to a larger vision of a City and community which understands the past and is building a better future which recognizes, respects and includes the Okanagan nation and Canada's First Nations peoples.

Internal Circulation:

Communications Supervisor
Divisional Director, Active Living & Culture
Divisional Director, Human Resources & Corporate Performance
Divisional Director, Community Planning & Real Estate

Financial/Budgetary Considerations:

As the next step, development of a Project Charter will identify potential financial and budgetary considerations which may need to be brought forward as part of the 2018 budget. Once created,

educational materials and methods regarding reconciliation may be integrated into the City's current staff training and development programs.

External Agency/Public Comments:

Westbank First Nation and the Okanagan Indian Band are aware of this report. City staff propose to continue dialogue with Westbank First Nation and the Okanagan Indian Band as reconciliation work proceeds.

Considerations not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority
Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements
Existing Policy
Personnel Implications
Communications Comments
Alternate Recommendation

Submitted by:

S. Kochan, Cultural Services Manager

Approved for inclusion: J. Gabriel, Division Director, Active Living & Culture

cc: Communications Supervisor
Divisional Director, Active Living & Culture
Divisional Director, Human Resources & Corporate Performance
Divisional Director, Community Planning & Real Estate



Truth & Reconciliation

City Council

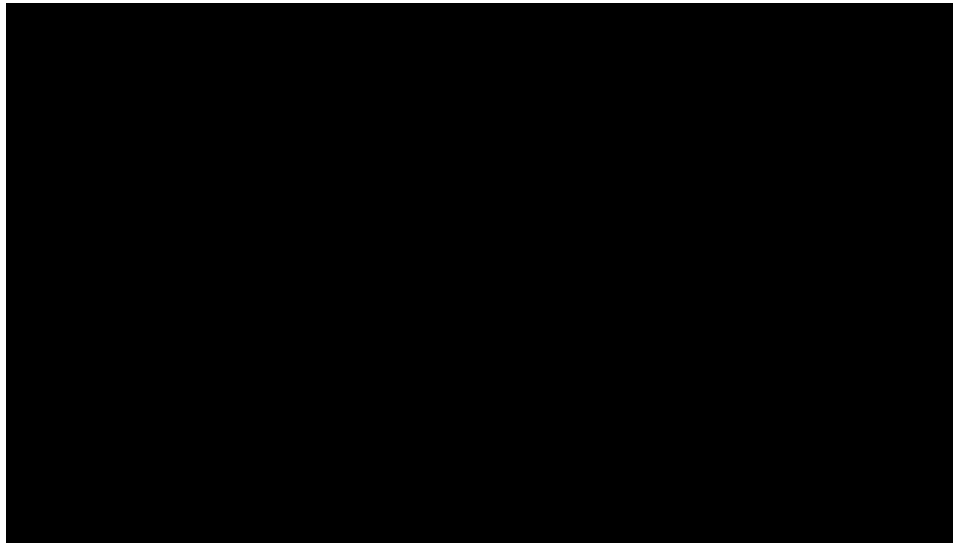
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Outline

- ▶ What is Truth & Reconciliation?
- ▶ Why is it important?
- ▶ Examples of reconciliation initiatives
- ▶ Starting the journey – a proposal

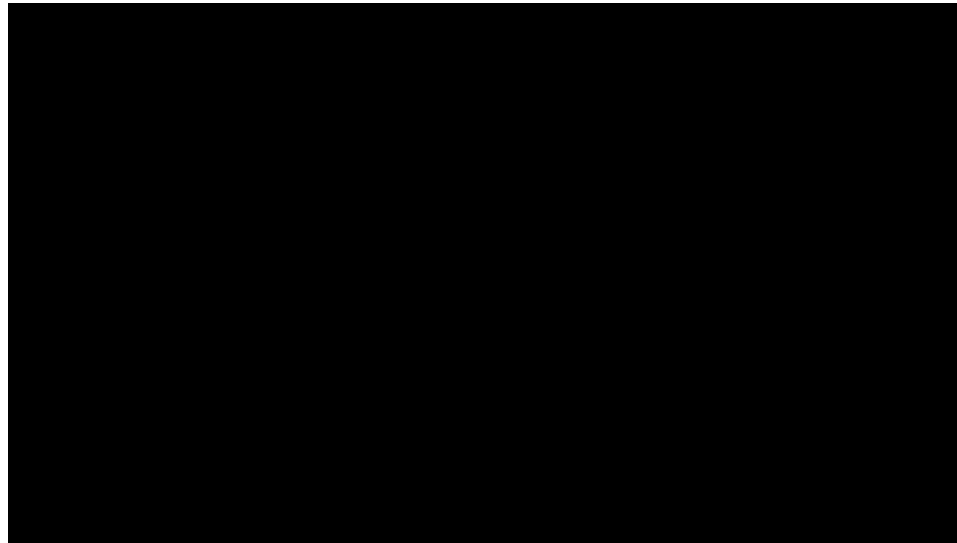
Truth: The History



[Click here for video](#)

Presentation at Banff Centre Truth & Reconciliation Summit (Oct. 29 2016) by Kathleen Mahoney, Chief Negotiator for the AFN Settlement agreement with Canada for reparations and Truth & Reconciliation Process (approx. 20 mins)

Truth: The Legacy & the Future



[Click here for video](#)

Presentation at Banff Centre Truth & Reconciliation Summit (Oct. 29 2016) by Dr. Marie Wilson, TRC Commissioner (approx. 32 mins)

The Legacy – Kelowna Realities

- ▶ Aboriginal peoples are 4.5% of Kelowna's population but constitute nearly 25% of Kelowna's homeless population
- ▶ 42% of all women experiencing absolute homelessness in Kelowna identify as Aboriginal, compared to 17% of all men

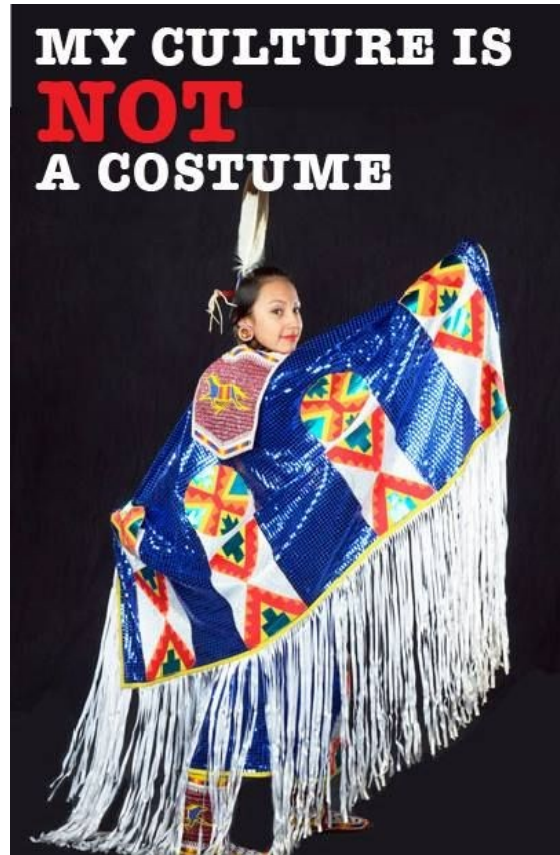
(From 2016 Kelowna Point in Time Count)

What is Reconciliation?

- ▶ Decolonization / indigenization
- ▶ Developing, maintaining and nurturing respectful relationships*
- ▶ Facing the truth; not qualifying or justifying our actions, because the results are so glaring and undeniable*
- ▶ Ongoing healing*

*(*Dr. Marie Wilson: address at the 2016 Banff Centre Truth & Reconciliation Summit)*

Decolonization/Indigenization



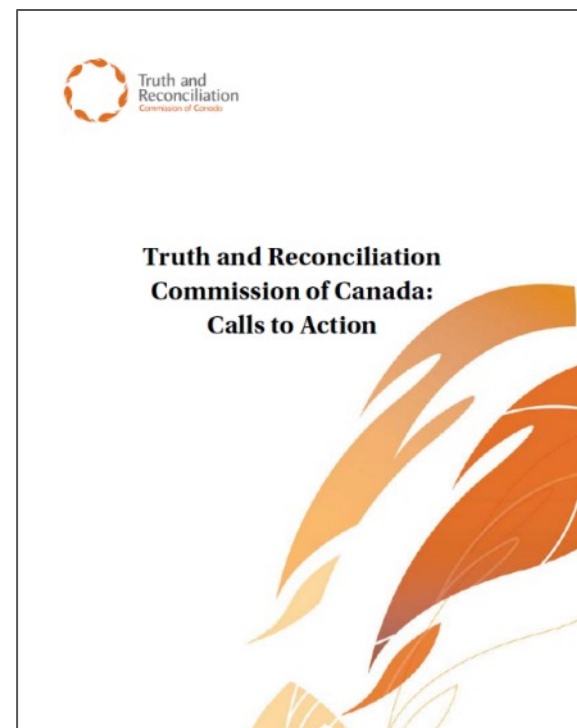



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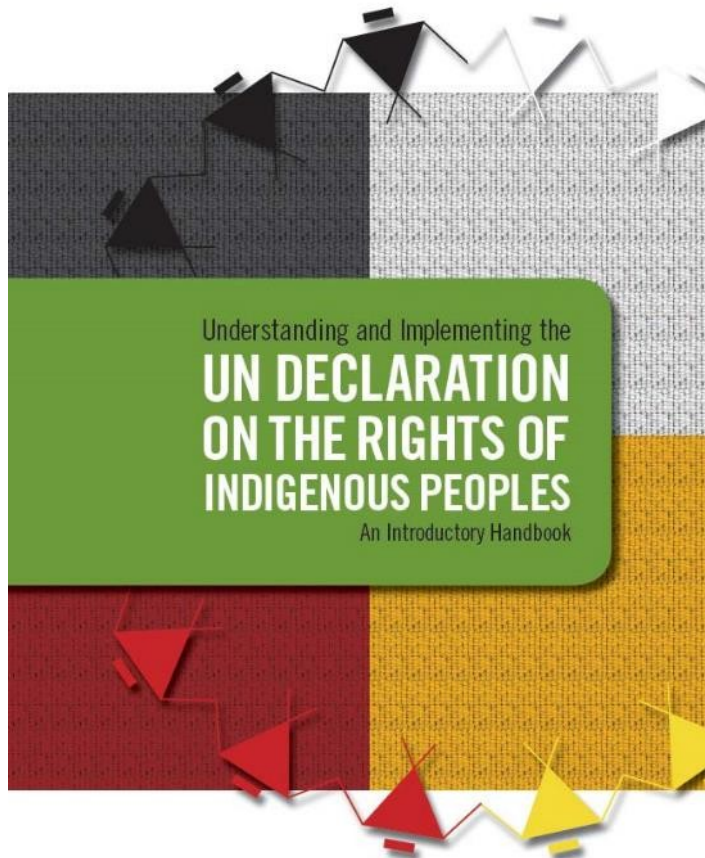
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CONSTRUCTION.
BUILDING RESPECT
FOR SYILX WOMEN.**

TRC Calls to Action

- ▶ 94 calls in total - 16 calls relate to municipal and/or all orders of government
- ▶ Others relate to agencies and organizations with which local government may have relationships and influence (i.e. health, education, arts, sports)



TRC Call to Action #43



We call upon federal, provincial, territorial, and municipal governments to fully adopt and implement the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* as the framework for reconciliation.

TRC Call to Action #57

We call upon federal, provincial, territorial, and municipal governments to **provide education to public servants** on the history of Aboriginal peoples, including the history and legacy of residential schools, the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*, Treaties and Aboriginal rights, Indigenous law, and Aboriginal–Crown relations. **This will require skills based training in intercultural competency, conflict resolution, human rights, and anti-racism.**

(emphasis added)

Local Action – School District 23

- ▶ Orange Shirt Day
 - ▶ Sept 30 each year
- ▶ Aboriginal Education Program



Local Action – Interior Health



Interior Health

- ▶ More than 2,600 employees have completed an online Indigenous Cultural Safety Program
- ▶ IH hired a Cultural Safety Educator in 2015

Other Cities & Agencies

- ▶ Vancouver
- ▶ Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District
- ▶ North Vancouver
- ▶ Prince George
- ▶ Cariboo Regional District
- ▶ UBCM and FCM

Territory Acknowledgement

We would like to acknowledge that we are on the traditional ancestral, unceded, territory of the Okanagan People.

(used by School District 23)

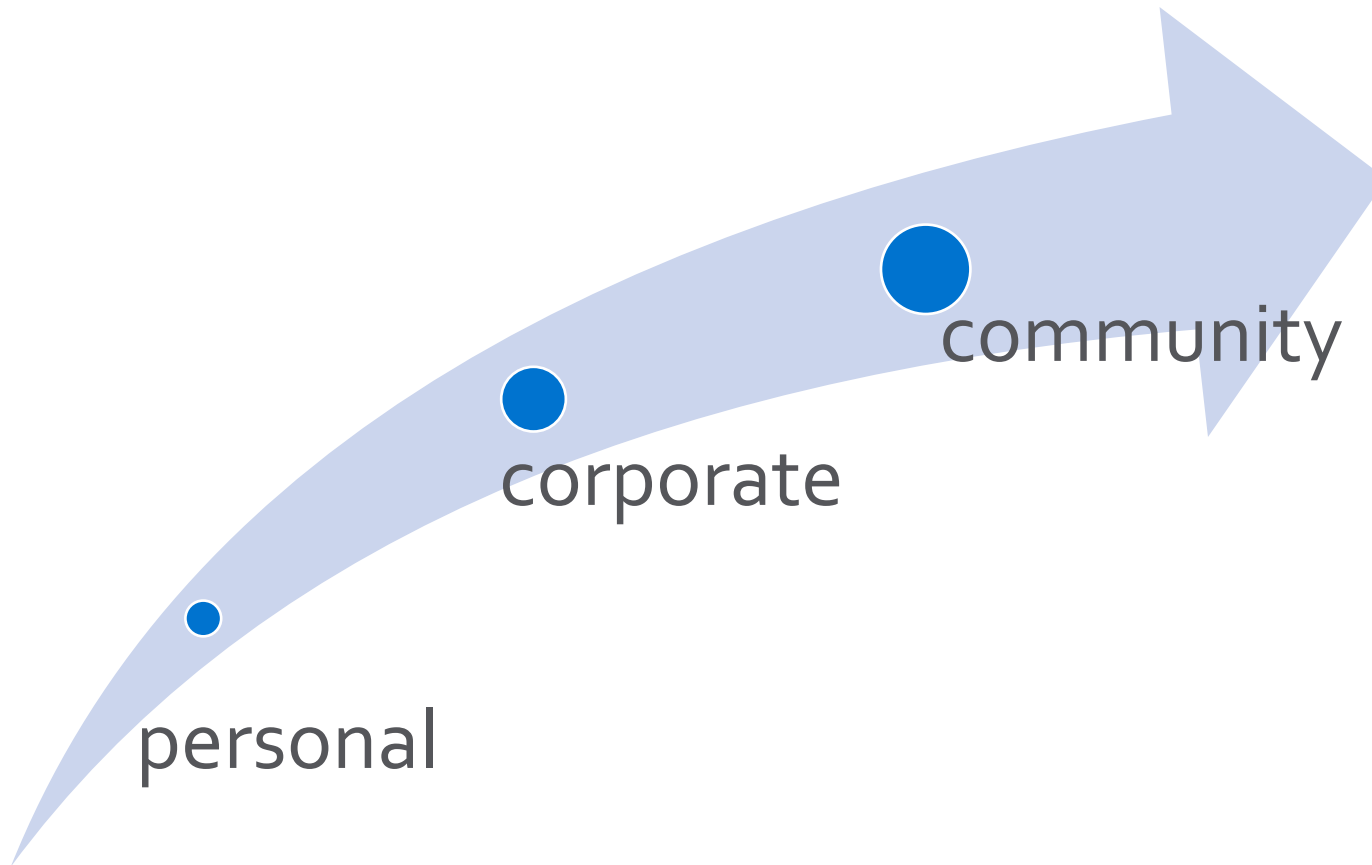
Located on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh peoples

(included in email signature of City of Vancouver staff)

City of Kelowna



From Truth to Action



Next steps

- ▶ Work with the En'owkin Centre and the UBCO Institute for Community Engaged Research (ICER) to:
 - ▶ identify best practices
 - ▶ identify or create practical educational resources and approaches
 - ▶ enable leadership in a broader community context
- ▶ Invite participation in an inter-departmental team
- ▶ Outreach to Westbank First Nation and others

En'owkin Centre

► <http://www.enowkincentre.ca/about.html>

"n'awqen" ~ En'owkin

- The word En'owkin is an Okanagan conceptual metaphor which describes a process of clarification, conflict resolution and group commitment. With a focus on coming to the best solutions possible through respectful dialogue, literally through consensus.

UBCO - ICER

- ▶ <http://icer.ok.ubc.ca/about.html>
- ▶ The Institute for Community Engaged Research (ICER) facilitates research with communities in the Okanagan Valley and across British Columbia.
- ▶ Committed to research that supports diversity, equity and social justice
- ▶ Promotes participation of community members, organizations, students and academics as co-researchers

Parting Thoughts

