



2021-2022 Work Plan

Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee

Mandate

Terms of reference

The committee will:

- Ensure that effective communication and consultation of Urban Indigenous communities play a major role in the efforts of the committee to fulfill its mandate
- Strive to develop and maintain a positive relationship with other individuals, groups, agencies, and others, who are addressing issues of concern to Urban Indigenous Peoples
- Advise Council and staff on the *City of Reconciliation Framework* as it is developed, implemented and updated

The committee may:

- Assist the efforts of other agencies, organizations, and others who are addressing issues of concern to Vancouver Urban Indigenous Peoples
- Research, study, or investigate areas of concern for Vancouver Urban Indigenous Peoples in order to develop advice and make recommendations
- Solicit input and receive advice, recommendations, reports, or concerns from individuals or groups addressing issues of concern to Vancouver Urban Indigenous Peoples, and recommend appropriate action
- Facilitate decision making on municipal matters, such as community services, planning and design to regularize the consultation process

Policy advice

The Committee:

- Provides input to City Council and staff about issues of concern
- Considers any matters which may be referred to the committee by Council or staff
- May take positions on policy initiatives from other levels of government within the mandate of the committee

Collaboration

The Committee:

- Works co-operatively with other agencies whose activities affect constituent communities, including initiating and developing relevant projects
- Acts as a resource for staff doing public involvement processes and civic events

Awareness and outreach

The Committee:

- Exchanges information with the constituent communities and the general public about relevant programs and issues of interest
- Engages in outreach to disseminate information and encourage participation from constituent communities

Planning and reporting

The Committee:



- Produces an annual work plan with specific objectives by no later than April of each year, in consultation with Council and staff liaisons, for distribution to Council and civic departments for information
- Presents accomplishments and progress to date at the annual Council of Councils event
- Submits an annual report to Council describing its accomplishments for the year, including reference to each objective set out in the work plan and any arising issues to which the committee has responded

2021-2022 Objectives

Objective 1: Housing

Engage with the community, investigate, and collaborate with other agencies and committees to provide recommendations for measures to address the lack of safe and affordable housing faced by the City's Indigenous population, and act as a resource for Council and staff in the implementation of existing measures.

Objective 2: MMIWG Implementation

Ensure that adequate and appropriate engagement is conducted with the community on measures identified to address and remedy issues related to MMIWG, and act as a resource to Council and staff on implementation of these measures, including through implementation of the Equity Framework.

Objective 3: UNDRIP Implementation

Act as a resource for Council and staff and provide advice and direction to ensure that actions taken by the City pursuant to the *Vancouver Charter* are consistent with the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*, including the implementation of the City's Equity Framework.

Objective 4: All-Nations Indigenous Space

Engage with the community and work with staff to work towards the establishment of an All-Nations Indigenous Space to provide space for healing, ceremony, celebration, violence prevention, shelter, youth programs and/or other priorities identified by Indigenous Peoples.

Objective 5: Addictions and the Opioid Crisis

Engage with the community, investigate, and collaborate with other agencies and committees to provide recommendations for measures to address ongoing issues of addictions, including opioids, faced by the City's Indigenous population, and act as a resource for Council and staff in the implementation of existing measures.