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Subject: Report Back - RTS 11866 - City of Reconciliation - update on two TRC recommendations

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see attached memo from Wendy Au, Assistant City Manager with an update on TRC recommendations.

A short summary of the memo is as follows:

- Status of the reconciliation fund for community youth organizations (TRC recommendation 66), including timeline and what it might entail.
- Progress of the aboriginal health and wellness centre in the DTES in the context of the opioid crisis update.
- Status of TRC recommendation 67 regarding the review of museum policies and what the process for that will be.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ginger Gosnell-Myers at 604.873.7029 or ginger.gosnell-myers@vancouver.ca

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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
Wendy Au, Assistant City Manager

MEMORANDUM

February 9, 2017

TO: Mayor and Council

CC: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager
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FROM: Wendy Au, Assistant City Manager

SUBJECT: RTS 11866 - City of Reconciliation - update on two TRC recommendations

At Regular Council on January 24, 2017, Councillor Reimer requested a memo as below:

- regarding the status of the reconciliation fund for community youth organizations (TRC recommendation 66), including timeline and what it might entail.
- information on the progress of the aboriginal health and wellness centre in the DTES in the context of the opioid crisis update and;

Councillor Deal requested an update on the status of TRC recommendation 67 regarding the review of museum policies and what the process for that will be.

1. Status of the reconciliation fund for community youth organizations (TRC recommendation 66), including timeline and what it might entail.

TRC Recommendation	Department	Initiative	Actions	
#66: We call upon the federal government to establish multi-year funding for community-based youth organizations to deliver programs on reconciliation, and establish a national network to share information and best practices.	Social Policy CMO	Healthy City Strategy City of Reconciliation	• A short term fund is in-development for Reconciliation activities.	• Completed

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- In 2016 the City approved a Reconciliation Fund for the development of reconciliation projects with City departments and Boards, and in partnership with community groups. \$200,000 a year over 3 years was set aside from the Great Beginnings Fund.
- The TRC Recommendation was focussed on a Youth Fund, and when the City looked at options to implement this ‘in the spirit of reconciliation’, the decision was to support a wider variety of reconciliation projects for the general Aboriginal population.
- Since 2016, eight projects have been supported through this fund:

<p>1. The Art of Reconciliation</p>	<p>In celebration of her time as VPL’s 2016 Aboriginal Storyteller in Residence, Renae Morriseau hosted an evening with a group of writers and artists to consider what reconciliation means to those living and writing/creating on the unceded territories of the Salish peoples. The audience experienced poetry and storytelling against the backdrop of traditional and contemporary music.</p>
<p>2. Council Chamber Art project - Short Documentary</p>	<p>The City of Vancouver partnered with artists from the three Host First Nations - Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh to design and produce a wall panel. The artworks are a representation of the Nations and their relationships with one another and with the City of Vancouver. A short video was produced to capture the artists’ vision and project process.</p>
<p>3. Survivors Totem Pole</p>	<p>The Survivors Totem Pole in Pigeon Park was installed and involved community members from the DTES as well as members from diverse communities. The project lead artist is Haida and Coast Salish Nations master carver Skundaal (Bernie Williams), a long-time DTES resident and the only female apprentice of the late master Haida carver, Bill Reid.</p>
<p>4. Urban Native Youth Association - Native Youth Centre - Functional Program Development</p>	<p>The City of Vancouver and the Vancouver Affordable Housing Agency (VAHA) has partnered with the Urban Native Youth Association (UNYA) to build a Native Youth Centre (NYC) along with an affordable housing component that will provide a broad-based preventative and intervention services for Aboriginal youth and their families in Vancouver. A Functional Program will identify all the youth recreation, culture, health, education, and social support and development programs contained within the NYC and how the program space will be laid out. It will also determine the NYC space in relation to how it intersects with the social housing units above.</p>
<p>5. Economic Development & Reconciliation</p>	<p>Bringing together leading thinkers and doers from local First Nations and the City of Vancouver alongside Community Economic Development Professionals and business leaders, this two-part event series opens up an emerging intellectual space for dialogue, challenging and inspiring us to create a better understanding of how the City of Vancouver’s goals to be an economically thriving centre of innovation can align with and an contribute to its goal of being a city of reconciliation.</p>
<p>6. Wild Salmon Caravan Parade</p>	<p>The WSC was a festival style parade and celebration in Vancouver held on Thursday June 11th, 2016 that engaged the public to raise awareness of the ecological and social importance of wild salmon.</p>
<p>7. Urban Aboriginal Female Youth Leadership Program</p>	<p>The Urban Aboriginal Female Leadership Program at Britannia Community Centre is a hands-on, experiential involvement in a number of local programs and initiatives in which girls will experience planning and completion of community, athletic and</p>

<p>8. Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council Business Case & Overview</p>	<p>service programs.</p> <p>This project will support the overall capacity of the Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council and in turn, their ability to support member agencies. This will contribute to the Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council's ability to bring urban Aboriginal voices into City policy, consultations and other matters as per the objectives of the Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council MOU with the City. Increasing the Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council's overall capacity will enable them to work alongside the City to achieve mutual benefits to the City and the urban Aboriginal community (e.g. more social housing, stronger non-profit sector, stronger community plan input and implementation).</p>
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2. Progress of the aboriginal health and wellness centre in the DTES in the context of the opioid crisis update
 - Consultation with MVAEC took place on February 1st, 2017, to hear about the impacts of the Fentanyl crisis and overdoses on the urban Aboriginal community. Vancouver Coastal Health and the First Nations Health Authority were part of this meeting. Next steps will include MVAEC, with City support, to organize a follow-up meeting with other orders of government, including the Ministry of Health, Vancouver School Board, Ministry of Children and Family Development, etc.
 - An upcoming report to council on the Mayor's Task Force on Mental Health and Addiction will include a request for an Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Activities Fund to be added to the Social Policy Grants stream.
 - Staff are identifying a city building to create a space for Indigenous gathering with a focus on healing and wellness activities. Location will be close to, but outside the immediate DTES. This will be a direct response to the calls for an Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Centre, but will not be a mixed medical model centre as previously explored.
3. Status of TRC recommendation 67 regarding the review of museum policies and what the process for that will be

TRC Recommendation	Department	Initiative	Actions	
<p>#67: We call upon the federal government to provide funding to the Canadian Museums Association (CMA) to undertake, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, a national review of museum policies and best practices to determine the level of compliance with the United Nations Declaration on the</p>	<p>Cultural Services</p>	<p>Support to civic institutions on repatriation of objects in their collections</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consult with CMA and Vancouver civic collecting institutions re: participation in the national review of museum policies and best practices. • Work with civic collecting institutions to update their collection policies to comply with both the CMA national policy and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. • Review and revise current 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Underway • Underway

<p>Rights of Indigenous Peoples and to make recommendations.</p>			<p>Repatriation Agreement with Legal Dept. and institutions to comply with the CMA review and United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify any other agreements that need to be developed to comply with the CMA review and United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Underway • Underway
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- The Canadian Museums Association won't be starting their review process till next year and the City's recommendations are contingent upon the results of their work.
- The CMA is in the process of setting up a Museums and Indigenous Council and that Museums holding civic collections are currently responding to repatriation requests and have repatriated items as per their collections policies developed using the AFN Task Force parameters, until such time as the CMA has conducted their national consultation and review which is anticipated to be a two year process.

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