

Present:

Chairperson – Mayor McCallum
Councillor Annis
Councillor Elford
Councillor Guerra
Councillor Hundial
Councillor Locke
Councillor Nagra
Councillor Patton
Councillor Pettigrew

Absent:**Staff Present:**

City Manager
City Clerk
General Manager, Corporate Services
General Manager, Engineering
General Manager, Finance
General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture
Acting General Manager, Planning & Development
City Solicitor

A. DELEGATIONS**1. Kuda Mabiza
Koffee With Kuda
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The delegation provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining information regarding "Koffee with Kuda", a YouTube channel that promotes mental health and addiction awareness. The following information was highlighted:

- Koffee With Kuda is a YouTube video interview series with individuals who have a history of substance abuse and addiction, discussing how they were able to cope with these issues. The goal of the series is to help youth with substance abuse and addiction crises through preventative measures. The content is made easily available on social media for youth to access.
- Opportunities to prevent addiction and substance abuse identified through the Koffee With Kuda conversations include empowering youth, educating youth service providers on risk factors and removing the stigma associated with addiction and counselling.
- Koffee with Kuda has expanded the courses offered and targets three groups:
 - 8 – 12 years old: identify potential causes and prevent possible trauma;
 - 13 – 18 years old: heal trauma and promote seeking help before trauma manifests to other coping methods; and
 - Youth Service Providers: education to avoid further traumatization, identify risk factors and education on different techniques to approach youth so they feel accepted and supported.

2. **Niovi Patsicakis, President, Global Peace Alliance, and Hugette Hayden, International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War Global Peace Alliance**

The delegation reviewed and presented reasons for: supporting the Mayors for Peace Appeal; taking decisive steps toward the global elimination of nuclear weapons; and signing the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW). The following information was highlighted:

- Global Peace Alliance was founded by R.B. Herath and is based on his teachings from the book *A New Beginning For Human Kind: A Recipe for Lasting Peace on Earth*. The vision is for a world of lasting peace, trusting on the power of reason, justice, democracy, economic equity and environmental integrity where humans celebrate diversity, respect common values and resolve inevitable conflicts by non-violent means.
- The International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) was formed in 2007 and won the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize for its work. Also in 2017, the United Nations adopted the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW); however, none of the world's nuclear powers have signed the Treaty, including Canada.
- The Mayors for Peace Appeal seeks to gather support for the government of Canada to sign the TPNW. Participating cities are encouraged to send letters to the Canadian government to take decisive steps towards the global elimination of nuclear weapons.

B. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Councillor Guerra

Seconded by Councillor Patton

That the Council-in-Committee meeting be

adjourned.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Jennifer Ficocelli, City Clerk

Mayor Doug McCallum, Chairperson