

Working together with our community

Notice of Motion

Subject:

Member of Council: Councillor Tom Masschaele

Meeting Motion Considered At: Council-In-Committee Meeting - July 12, 2022

Meeting Notice Provided At: Council Meeting - June 21, 2022

Procedural Process:

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Background:

WHEREAS the Government of Canada continues to be committed to a renewed nation-to-nation relationship with Indigenous peoples based on recognition of rights, respect, co-operation and partnership;

AND WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) issued 94 Calls to Action 5 of which involve municipal governments;

AND WHEREAS all orders of government have a role to play in reconciliation and municipal leaders are being looked to set the tone and be part of the constructive societal change in building Indigenous-Local Intergovernmental Partnerships that are needed and expected;

AND WHEREAS municipalities are not the Crown and therefore do not have the constitutional authority to address the range of issues arising from Aboriginal and Treaty rights, but are able to be better neighbours and partners with Indigenous nations and communities;

AND WHEREAS Relationship Agreements can be helpful in developing mutual understanding and ongoing conversations;

AND WHEREAS the goal of a Relationship Agreement is to establish a long-term relationship of practical cooperation and commitment that respects Indigenous nations and communities;

Motion:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Norfolk County is committed to strengthening relationships with Indigenous nations and community to help ensure greater social equity;

AND THAT staff be directed to investigate the development of an inter-governmental Relationship Agreement with neighbouring Indigenous nations and communities on areas of mutual interest such as economic recovery, tourism, and environmental issues;

AND FURTHER THAT a report related to this matter be brought back for Council's consideration.