

The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes

Committee of the Whole Report

Report Number ED2020-002

Meeting Date: January 14, 2020

Title: Kawartha Lakes Cultural Centre Task Force

Description: Report to close out work of the Cultural Centre Committee Working Group and establish the Kawartha Lakes Cultural Centre Task Force to support the 2020 Cultural Centre Feasibility Study

Ward Number: All

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Recommendation(s):

That Report ED2020-002, **Kawartha Lakes Cultural Centre Task Force**, be received;

That the Terms of Reference for the **Kawartha Lakes Cultural Centre Task Force** in the form of Appendix A to report ED2020-002 be approved and adopted by Council; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Department Head: _____

Financial/Legal/HR/Other: _____

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Background:

At the Council Meeting of March 26, 2019, Council adopted the following resolution:

CR2019-224

That the City work with the Cultural Centre Committee to establish a working group to prepare an RFP for a Cultural Centre(s) Feasibility Study to be conducted by an independent qualified consultant;

That representatives from the municipality, including Economic Development staff and other required staff and Councilor's Seymour-Fagan and Richardson, be added to the Cultural Centre Committee or working group;

That the City include up to \$100,000 as a decision unit in the 2020 budget as the City's contribution towards the Cultural Centre(s) Feasibility Study;

That the working group, in consultation with staff, propose options for the oversight of the feasibility study for Council's consideration; and

That staff be directed to complete the 2019 Cultural Master Plan by the end of 2019 which will include engagement with community stakeholders on their needs and aspirations for a future cultural centre and their future vision and strategies for Kawartha Lakes cultural sector growth.

Carried

At the Special Council Meeting of November 26, 2019, Council adopted the following resolution:

CR2019-672

That Decision Unit Identifier 202, Cultural Centre Feasibility Study in the amount of \$50,000.00, be added to the 2020 Special Projects Budget.

Carried

This report addresses that direction.

Rationale:

Since the establishment of the Cultural Centre Committee and Council joint Working Group in March 2019, the group has met to develop a draft terms of

reference scope and discuss a potential structure for oversight of the Feasibility Study.

Establishing a Task Force to support the 2020 Feasibility Study, was chosen as the most appropriate committee structure. The blending of public and private dollars to fund the hiring of a consultant necessitated the establishment of a public process with community and administrative oversight.

The Task Force will stand for one year. Its' mission is to provide advice and recommendations to Council and Staff to:

- Participate in the RFP process
- Assess the proposed model of a Cultural Centre/hub
- Recommendations for a proposed site(s) following up on the City's Core Services review
- Recommendations for associated capital and operating model(s)
- Review and recommend potential funding sources
- Recommend potential governance models

The Task Force will have 5 members of the public; one from the Kawartha Lakes Arts Council, one from the Culture and Heritage Network, one from the creative economy, two members at large; and two elected officials. It will be supported by staff from the Economic Development Division.

The Task Force will be established in Q1.

Other Alternatives Considered:

No other alternatives were considered.

Financial/Operation Impacts:

A \$50,000 contribution to the feasibility study was included as a decision unit in the Special Projects budget for 2020. This will be matched with \$50,000 from the Kawartha Lakes Arts Council.

Relationship of Recommendation(s) to the 2016-2019 Strategic Plan:

The striking of a Task Force to undertake a Cultural Centre Feasibility Study responds to Goal 2 of the Council Adopted 2016-2019 Strategic Plan.

Goal 2 – An Exceptional Quality of Life

Objective 2.1: A more culturally vibrant community promoting culture, arts and heritage

2.1.1 Strengthen existing cultural and heritage assets

Consultations:

Cultural Centre Committee Working Group

Attachments:

Appendix A - Terms of Reference



201912 Terms of
Reference CCTask Fc

Appendix B – Budget Brief



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