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Windsor, Ontario September 29, 2011

A meeting of the **International Relations Committee** is held this day commencing at 4:00 o'clock p.m. in the Town of Walkerville Meeting Room, 3rd floor, City Hall, there being present the following members:

Councillor Drew Dilkens, Chair
Councillor Ron Jones
Councillor Maghnieh
Jerry Barycki
Blake Roberts
Dr. Frank Simpson

Regrets received from:

Councillor Percy Hatfield (attending the AMO Board Meeting)

Also present are the following resource personnel:

Robert Barlozzari, Council Assistant
Karen Kadour, (A) Committee Coordinator

1.....CALL TO ORDER

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 4:05 o'clock p.m. and the Committee considers the Agenda being Schedule "A" **attached** hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT

None.

3. MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Jones, seconded by J. Barycki,
That the minutes of the International Relations Committee meeting held June 29,
2011 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.
Carried.

4. **PRESENTATION**

Town Twinning Congress in Mannheim 2011

Helga Reidel, Chief Administrative Officer is present to provide a verbal report of her recent trip to Mannheim, Germany. She succinctly provides the following points of interest:

- The CAO thanks the Committee for allowing her to attend the Town Twinning Congress held from July 12-15, 2011.
- Representatives from Mannheim very generous - Provided hotel, food and transportation
- Guests from various sister cities also attended the Congress which included France, China, Poland, Israel, Turkey and Wales
- Attended the "Centre for Business" for women and artists - Business incubators
- Attended two sessions-" Start-Up Centre" and "Change Management"
- Presentations from various countries were tourism oriented
- The CAO's presentation was very well received as she provided an overview of economic development "in Windsor including Infrastructure Funds, Community Improvement Plans, the green energy industry and the downtown core
- Enjoyed the relationship building with other twin cities
- Representatives from Wales shared difficulties very similar to Windsor's

Moved by Councillor Maghnieh, seconded by B. Roberts,

That the verbal report of the Chief Administrative Officer regarding her visit to the Town Twinning Congress in Mannheim, Germany from July 12-15, 2011 **BE RECEIVED.**

Carried.

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

5.1 Moved by Councillor Maghnieh, seconded by Dr. F. Simpson,

That the donation from the Korean Society of Windsor in the amount of \$1,000 for the establishment of the Gunsan, South Korea gardens to be located in Jackson Park **BE RECEIVED.**

Carried.

5.2 Moved by Councillor Jones, seconded by J. Barycki,

That the request from Ms. Julia Moezer and Ms. Kathrin Schnieber, Munich and Asbach, Germany to volunteer for internship positions with Windsor City Council **BE RECEIVED.**

Carried.

- 5.3 Moved by Councillor Maghnieh, seconded by J. Barycki,
That **APPROVAL BE GIVEN** to an expenditure in the upset amount of \$450.00 to purchase a table at the India Canada Association Annual Fund Raising Dinner to be held on November 4, 2011 at the Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Avenue, Windsor.
Carried.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

6.1 **2011-2014 IRC Initiatives**

The following table represents the 2011-2014 initiatives suggested by the members including the general discussion:

Initiative	Discussion
1. Stronger Internet Presence	<i>Speaks to accountability. Want to ensure that the City's website has the capability to allow an extensive number of photos and reports</i>
2. Recognition of Milestone Dates	<i>To recognize the various milestone dates of the Sister Cities - i.e. every 5-10 years. Letter from Mayor Francis could be sent to the Sister City celebrating the milestone date.</i>
3. International Childrens' Games	<i>Outreach and programming - Invite Mayors of the Sisters Cities to attend the August 2013 event (IRC to absorb the cost of the hotels) Possibility to host an event with parents and children(from Sister Cities) participatini? in the Event.</i>
4. Student Exchange Program	<i>Includes high schools and the University of Windsor/St. Clair College. Creation of student exchange relationships. Possibly an agenda item on the City and School Board Liaison Committee meeting.</i>
5. Intern for the International Relations Committee	<i>Student from the University of Windsor or St. Clair College</i>
6. Potential Twin Cities in the Future	

Councillor Maghnieh leaves the meeting at 5:13 o'clock p.m.

B. Roberts volunteers to attend the Board Meeting of the Fogolar Furlan on behalf of the International Relations Committee.

7. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 30, 2011 at 4:00 o'clock p.m. in the Town of Walkerville Meeting Room, 3rd floor, City Hall.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 5:25 o'clock p.m.

CHAIR

COMMITTEE COORDINATOR (A)

AGENDA
and Schedule "A"
to the Minutes of the
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
meeting held
September 29th, 2011
at 4:00 o'clock p.m.

Town of Walkerville Room, 350 City Hall Square West

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held August 19,2011 *-attached.*

4. PRESENTATIONS

- 4.1 Chief Administrative Officer to provide a verbal presentation relating to her recent visit to the Twinning Congress in Mannheim 2011 - Letter from Dr. Peter Kurz dated February 4, 2011 - *attached.*

5. COMMUNICATIONS

- 5.1 Receipt for donation from the Korean Society of Windsor. - *attached.*
- 5.2 Ms. Julia Moezer and Kathrin Schnieber, Munich and Ansbach, Germany requesting voluntary internship with City Council - *attached.*
- 5.3 E-mail from India Canada Association of Windsor Essex County Annual Fundraising Dinner to be held on November 4, 2011 - *attached.*

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