

## **International Relations Committee**

Meeting held November 27, 2019

A meeting of the International Relations Committee is held this day commencing at 3:30 o'clock p.m. in Room 204, 350 City Hall Square West, there being present the following members:

Councillor Fred Francis, Chair  
Councillor Fabio Costante  
Councillor Gary Kaschak  
Councillor Ed Sleiman  
Daniel Ableser  
Jerry Barycki  
Maria Belenkova  
Scott Despina  
Ronnie Haidar (arrives at 3:32 p.m.)  
Steven Spagnuolo  
L.T. Zhao

### ***Regrets received from:***

William Ma

### ***Also present are the following resource personnel:***

Sandra Gebauer, Council Assistant  
Karen Kadour, Committee Coordinator

### **1. Call to Order**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 3:30 o'clock p.m. and the Committee considers the Agenda being Schedule A attached hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

### **2. Declaration of Conflict**

None disclosed.

### 3. Minutes

Moved by Councillor Costante, seconded by S. Despina,  
That the minutes of the International Relations Committee of its meeting held June 20, 2019 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.  
Carried.

### 4. Presentation

Rakesh Naidu, President and CEO, Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce is present to provide information relating to a Twin City economic initiative. The highlights of the presentation are as follows:

- The initiative began after speaking to Ambassadors of 3 countries – Argentina, Peru and Ecuador.
- The premise of this initiative is to support our companies as they go global and compete with foreign markets along with assistance from the Economic Development Corporation and the Chamber of Commerce
- There is currently an agreement with Argentina (Ecuador and Peru in the pipeline). We will offer them all of the services that any Chamber of Commerce receives at no cost which includes connecting them to businesses here, economic development, government programs and incubators to allow them to easily tap into the Canadian market.
- The proposal is to go to a selective few countries and ask them to sign a formal memorandum of understanding that will serve to extend a reciprocal relationship with the Chambers at no cost.

Moved by Councillor Costante, seconded by S. Despina,  
That Administration **BE REQUESTED** to draft a letter to be sent to our Sister Cities for the purpose of introducing the Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce along with their associated services in order to gauge interest in this initiative.  
Carried.

### 5. Business Items

#### 5.1 You + Me Sculpture – Jackson Park

The Chair reports the artist of the You + Me Sculpture is no longer involved in this project and he questions if the \$25,000 approved in principle by the IRC at its meeting held September 26, 2013 is still a viable option.

Discussion ensues regarding possibly inviting the current artist to attend a future meeting of the IRC or, to embark on an initiative that is of more interest to the Twin Cities. It is suggested to invite the Manager of Cultural Affairs to attend the next meeting to discuss future endeavours for the IRC.

Moved by Councillor Sleiman, seconded by Councillor Costante,

That the motion by the International Relations Committee passed in 2013 to approve in principle funding for The You + Me Sculpture to honour the current Sister City relationships with the City of Windsor **NO LONGER BE SUPPORTED** and further, that other options for a Sister City initiative be discussed at a future meeting.

Carried.

L. T. Zhao voting nay.

## 6. Communications

The Chair indicates that no delegation from the City of Windsor will be sent to the 10<sup>th</sup> Shonan Fujisawa Citizen Marathon 2020 to be held on January 26, 2020. He requests that administration forward the letter from the Mayor of Fujisawa to local running groups for their information.

Moved by L.T. Zhao, seconded by M. Belenkova,

That the following Communications **BE APPROVED**:

- 6.1 Photographic report on the 450<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Polish-Lithuanian Union signed in Lublin in 1569, including photos of the medal presentation to the City of Windsor.
- 6.2 Photographic report of the May 2019 Mission to Poland.
- 6.3 Letter to Mayor Dilkens from Tsuneo Suzuki, Mayor of Fujisawa inviting Mayor Dilkens and a delegation to attend the "10<sup>th</sup> Shonan Fujisawa Citizen Marathon 2020".
- 6.4 Invitation to the Honourable Krzysztof Zuk, President of the city of Lublin to visit the City of Windsor as Keynote Speaker for the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Polish-Canadian Society Business Dinner to be held on November 20, 2020.

Carried.

## 7. New Business

### 7.1 The Polish-Canadian Business & Professional Association of Windsor 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Polish Canadian Society Business Dinner

Moved by M. Belenkova, seconded by S. Despina,

That the update regarding the Annual Polish Canadian Society Business Dinner to be held on November 20, 2020 at the Caboto Hall **BE RECEIVED**.

Carried.

## 7.2 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Windsor-Lublin Twin Cities

The Chair states the Mayor's Office will most likely send a request to invite the Lublin delegation to visit the City of Windsor in 2020 as it will be the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the twinning.

The Chair adds 2020 will mark the 40 year Anniversary of twinning with the City of Mannheim, Germany and states a delegation may be invited in June 2020 to visit the City of Windsor to enjoy the fireworks and to showcase the city.

Moved by Councillor Kaschak, seconded by Councillor Costante,  
That the update relating to the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of twinning with the City of Windsor and Lublin, Poland **BE RECEIVED**.  
Carried.

## 8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the call of the Chair.

## 9. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 4:24 o'clock p.m.

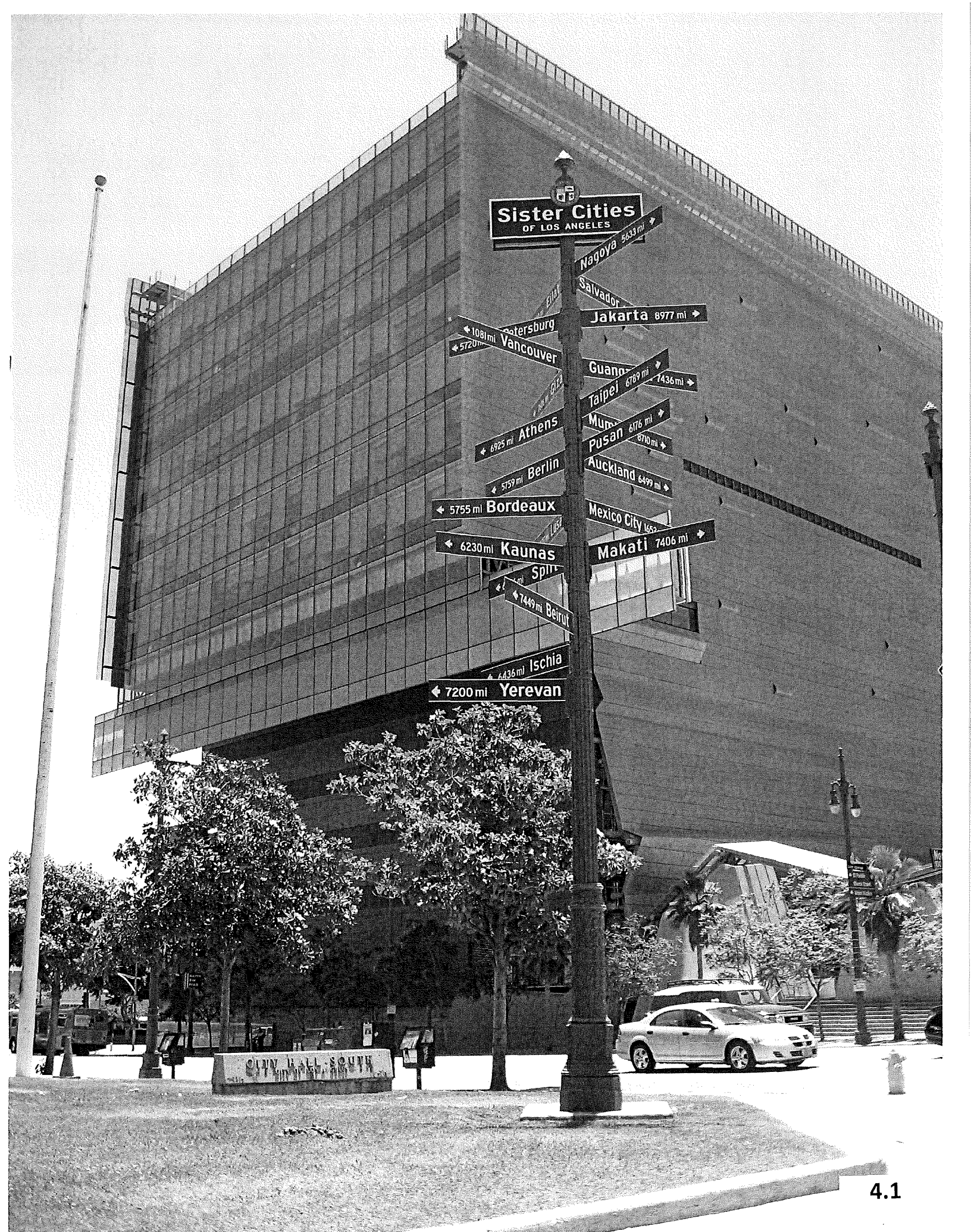
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CHAIR

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COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

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**Sister Cities**  
OF LOS ANGELES

Nagoya 5633 mi

Salvador

Jakarta 8977 mi

Vancouver  
1081 mi  
5720 mi

Guangzhou 7436 mi

Taipei 6789 mi

Athens 6925 mi

Mumbai 8710 mi

Pusan 8710 mi

Berlin 5759 mi

Auckland 6499 mi

Bordeaux 5755 mi

Mexico City 1652 mi

Kaunas 6230 mi

Makati 7406 mi

Beirut 7449 mi

Ischia 6436 mi

Yerevan 7200 mi

CITY HALL SOUTH





SISTER CITIES  
OF  
SAN FRANCISCO

← 6167mi Assisi

Osaka 5376mi →

← 7357mi Lima

Taipei 6443mi →

← 5083mi Cork

Shanghai 6145mi →

← 6601mi Paris

← 5829mi Krakow

← 7430mi Kiel

← 5484mi

← 5955mi Batu

## A Letter from Changchun

Dear Sandra Gebauer,

Foreign Affairs Office of Changchun Municipal People's Government extends its highest compliments.

Now, both the government and all the groups are doing their best to battle with the Pneumonia Caused by Novel Coronaviruses in China. By 22:30 on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020, there were 17 confirmed patients in Jilin Province. Besides, 10 potential patients with suspected cases are being kept in isolation of medical observation. There are 1335 foreigners from all nations working and living in Changchun, including 104 foreign teachers, 1135 foreign students, and 96 foreign staff. Masks, goggles, disinfectants, protective clothing, gloves, and other protective equipment are in large demand.

Changchun as the sister city of Windsor would like to require Windsor's assistance and support. At present, we are in urgent need of medical masks, medical goggles, medical protective clothing and gloves, and disinfectant. (Demand: 3M 9132, FFP3, FFP2, N95, KN95 Disposable Medical Mask; 3M 4565, GB19082-2009,

ENIOS13688:2013 Medical Protective Clothing!)

As this matter is urgent, I would be grateful for a swift response. On behalf of Foreign Affairs Office of Changchun Municipal People's Government, we would like to thank you in advance for your helpful assistance and donations.

The express delivery address is:

3066 South Ring Road, Nanguan District, Changchun City, Jilin Province, P.R.China

Zip: 130022

Contact: No.3066, Nanhuancheng Road Changchun municipal people's government

Cellphone: 86-431-88775327

Yours

Alice

Changchun foreign affairs office.



February 10, 2020

The Honourable Drew Dilkens  
Mayor of Windsor  
350 City Hall Square West  
P.O. Box 1607  
Windsor, Ontario  
N9A 6S1  
Canada

Dear Mayor Dilkens,

I hope this letter finds you well.

Thank you very much for sending us tour de force drawings from young citizens of Windsor for our Art Exchange Exhibition.

As a matter of fact, there was a circumstance that the City of Fujisawa to hold an exhibition that features children's drawing exchange with a sister city; Windsor invited Fujisawa to participate in International Children's Art Exhibition which your city started in 2018. I have learned that Windsor also decided to hold the exhibition responding to a call from its Korean sister city.

This is a wonderful project since it allows children who bear the future to travel a never seen city through creations of one another, and at the same time, it delights eyes of men and women of all ages in the sister city. What is more impressive about the project is that even cities do not have relation directly, passing along this kind of project via a sister city may eventually lead us to mutual understanding and peace in the world. Thus, it could be considered as an important initiative.

I was glad and thankful that our cities could share the opportunity to give a lot of spectators a message, "we are all the same citizens of the earth".

I appreciate friendship of Mayor Dilkens and the City of Windsor for offering us a key to this initiative.

Sincerely,

鈴木恒夫

Tsuneo Suzuki  
Mayor of Fujisawa



ウィンザー市長

ドリュー・ディルケنز市長

親愛なるディルケنز市長

お元気でお過ごしのことと存じます。

この度は児童絵画交流展のためにウィンザー市の若い市民の皆さんの力作をお送りいただき、ありがとうございました。

今回、藤沢市において姉妹都市との児童絵画交流を主体とした展示会を開催した経緯となったのは、ウィンザー市が2018年より開催している International Children's Art Exhibition にお誘いいただいたことがきっかけでした。また、ウィンザー市もその展示会を実施することに至ったのは韓国の姉妹都市からの呼びかけによるものと伺いました。

未来を担う子供たちがお互いの作品を通じて見知らぬまちへ旅をするこの事業は、同時に姉妹都市に住む老若男女の目も楽しませる素晴らしい事業です。また、さらに素晴らしいことに都市同士に直接の関係がなくても姉妹都市を介してこのように意義のある事業が伝わることは、やがては世界中に住む人々の相互理解や平和にも結びつく大切な取組みととらえることができます。

「私たちは同じ地球の市民である」ということを多くの人に伝える機会を共有できたことは、非常にうれしくありがたいことでした。

この取組みにヒントを与えてくださったディルケنز市長とウィンザー市の友情に感謝いたします。

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2020年2月10日

藤沢市長

鈴木恒夫

## Kadour, Karen

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**From:** Gebauer, Sandra  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 18, 2020 5:41 PM  
**To:** Kadour, Karen  
**Subject:** FW: personnel transfer updated

Hi Karen,  
Can you add this email to the IRC agenda also.  
Request for information regarding the Children's Art Exhibit and possible delegation.

**From:** chatonton@korea.kr <chatonton@korea.kr>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 09, 2020 8:28 PM  
**To:** Gebauer, Sandra <sgebauer@citywindsor.ca>  
**Subject:** personnel transfer updated

**CAUTION:** This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Hello, It's Yi Yeongju, who would chage in international cooperation section in Gunsan city.  
There was personnel trasnfer last Tuesday, and I got your name and conact from Chief Jo.

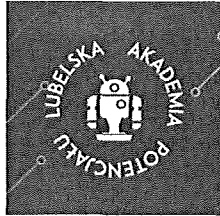
I was very happy that I could work with such a beautiful city that has river front and rich biodiversity of numerous protected wildlife habitats.

I have two questions related working for international exchanges.  
First, We'd like to proceed 'Children's Art Exchange' like last year. Is there any specific dates that you'd like to set? The exhibition last year lasted for 9days from 15th, July to 23rd, July.  
Second, We'd like to know if it's available that Gunsan delegates and citizens could visit BLUESFEST 2020.

I just happend to know the festival few days ago when I googled the city' annual events.  
Although we have some classic music performances, we don't have a festival which actual city people can join and enjoy themselves.  
We will wait for seeking your kind assistance in evaluating of BLUESFEST 2020.

I hope that the relationship between Gunsan and Windsor will become more solid and active by sharing our accumulated knowledge and experiences of various fields for city's prosperity.  
Sincerely,

Yi Yeongju  
Administrative officer  
International Cooperation Section  
Gunsan city, Republic of Korea.



LUBELSKA FUNDACJA WSPIERANIA BIZNESU  
I WSPÓŁPRACY MIĘDZYNARODOWEJ



Polish Investment  
& Trade Agency  
PFR Group



POLISH CANADIAN  
CHAMBER of COMMERCE

# Invitation

The Polish Canadian Chamber of Commerce  
in collaboration with the

Lublin Foundation for Business Support and International Cooperation,  
the Lublin Academy of Potential  
and the Polish Investment and Trade Agency

would like to cordially invite you to participate  
in an **exclusive business meeting**  
with the Polish delegates of the  
**Metallurgy, Machinery and Automation Industry Mission**

These companies provide innovative solutions for manufacturing & mechanical industry  
and are looking for potential partners, sharing of best-practices, joint-ventures,  
and business opportunities both in Canada and Poland.

Profiles available on the second page.

**Date: February 28<sup>th</sup> , 2020**

**Time: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm**

**Place: Ontario Investment and Trade Centre  
250 Yonge St, Gallery Room**

RSVP: [a.nowak@pccc.pl](mailto:a.nowak@pccc.pl)

## Profiles of companies

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| 1  | Evotec   | Protective covers for robots<br>"We cover your robot"                 | <a href="https://evotec.com.pl/en/">https://evotec.com.pl/en/</a>                                       |
| 2  | Gestar   | Automation of production systems                                      | <a href="http://www.gestar.com.pl/en/">http://www.gestar.com.pl/en/</a>                                 |
| 3  | JG Group   | Production of machinery and metal components                          | <a href="http://jg-group.pl/en/main-page/">http://jg-group.pl/en/main-page/</a>                         |
| 4  | Masz-ZAP   | Repair and regeneration of machines and fittings                      | <a href="https://maszzap.com.pl/?lang=en">https://maszzap.com.pl/?lang=en</a>                           |
| 5  | Multi Frigo  | Professional catering equipment                                       | <a href="http://www.multifrigo.pl/">http://www.multifrigo.pl/</a>                                       |
| 6  | RS Engineering   | Industrial constructions  | <a href="http://www.rs-e.pl/en/">http://www.rs-e.pl/en/</a>   |
| 7  | SIGMA s.a.   | Technologies for industry   | <a href="http://www.sigmasa.pl/? locale=en">http://www.sigmasa.pl/? locale=en</a>                       |
| 8  | SLC Automation   | Construction of production lines                                      | <a href="https://www.slc-automation.pl/">https://www.slc-automation.pl/</a>                             |
| 9  | SIM Ltd.   | Design and production of electronic and IT solutions                  | <a href="https://sim.com.pl/en">https://sim.com.pl/en</a>   |
| 10 | USM  | Unmanned aerial vehicle systems                                       | <a href="http://usm.net.pl/">http://usm.net.pl/</a>   |
| 11 | WOLCO  | Manufacturer of specialized thin wires made of steel, copper or brass | <a href="http://www.wolco.pl/page/index/index/lang/en">http://www.wolco.pl/page/index/index/lang/en</a> |
| 12 | The Centre for the Transfer of Modern Technologies (CTNT Polska) | Design, implementation and optimization of machines and systems.      | <a href="http://www.ctntpolska.pl/en/">http://www.ctntpolska.pl/en/</a>                                 |



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Lublin, 27.12.2019

**Notes from meeting  
on strengthening the cooperation as partners between Windsor and Lublin**

**Town Hall, 19 December 2019**

**Present:**

- Mr. Krzysztof Żuk, Mayor, City of Lublin
- Ms. Beata Stepaniuk-Kuśmierzak, Deputy Mayor, City of Lublin
- Mr. Lech Sprawka, Lubelskie Voivode
- Mr. Zbigniew Wojciechowski, Vice Marshal, Lubelskie Voivodeship
- Ms. Agata Gula, Director General, Lubelskie Voivodeship Office
- Mr. Krzysztof Stanowski, Director, Office of International Collaboration Centre, Office of the City of Lublin
- Mr. Jerry (Jerzy) Barycki, President of the Polish-Canadian Business and Professional Association of Windsor

**Account of meeting**

Mr. Jerry (Jerzy) Barycki recalled the collaboration up to now between Windsor and Lublin and talked about changes taking place in Canada. The main subject of the meeting was strengthening of the enduring partnership between the cities Lublin-Windsor as well as setting the conditions for cooperation on commercial and economic development of the cities and the [neighbouring] regions. Jerry Barycki drew attention to the growing significance of persons of Polish heritage in Canadian political life. He gave the example of Member of Parliament Irek Kuśmierczyk, elected to represent Windsor-Tecumseh in the Canadian House of Commons in the federal elections of 2019. Before the elections he was a councillor of the city of Windsor.

Krzysztof Żuk, Mayor of the City of Lublin, Lech Sprawka, Lubelskie Voivode, and Zbigniew Wojciechowski, Vice Marshal of the Lubelskie Voivodeship, emphasized the significance of the good relations of our cities as well as a desire to strengthen the cooperation as partners.

During the meeting, there was a discussion of the possibility of organizing visits in a "3 + 10" format (3 representatives of government from the voivodeship and the city as well as 10 people from the business sector). The timing of the visits was set provisionally: in the summer of 2020 a visit to Lublin, in the autumn of 2020 to Windsor. It was agreed that on the Polish side, the Office of the Marshal is the coordinator of the undertaking. In the course of preparation for the visits, both the Canadian and the Polish sides assumed responsibility for confirming the expectations of business people in the time frame of the economic cooperation.

## **Office of City of Lublin**

In connection with the twentieth anniversary of the Windsor-Lublin partnership and also the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Polish-Canadian Business and Professional Association of Windsor during the coming year, Jerry Barycki invited Mayor Krzysztof Żuk to appear as the Keynote Speaker during the Twenty-Fifth Polish-Canadian Society Business Dinner, which will take place on November 20, 2020, in Windsor.

Documented by: Krzysztof Stanowski

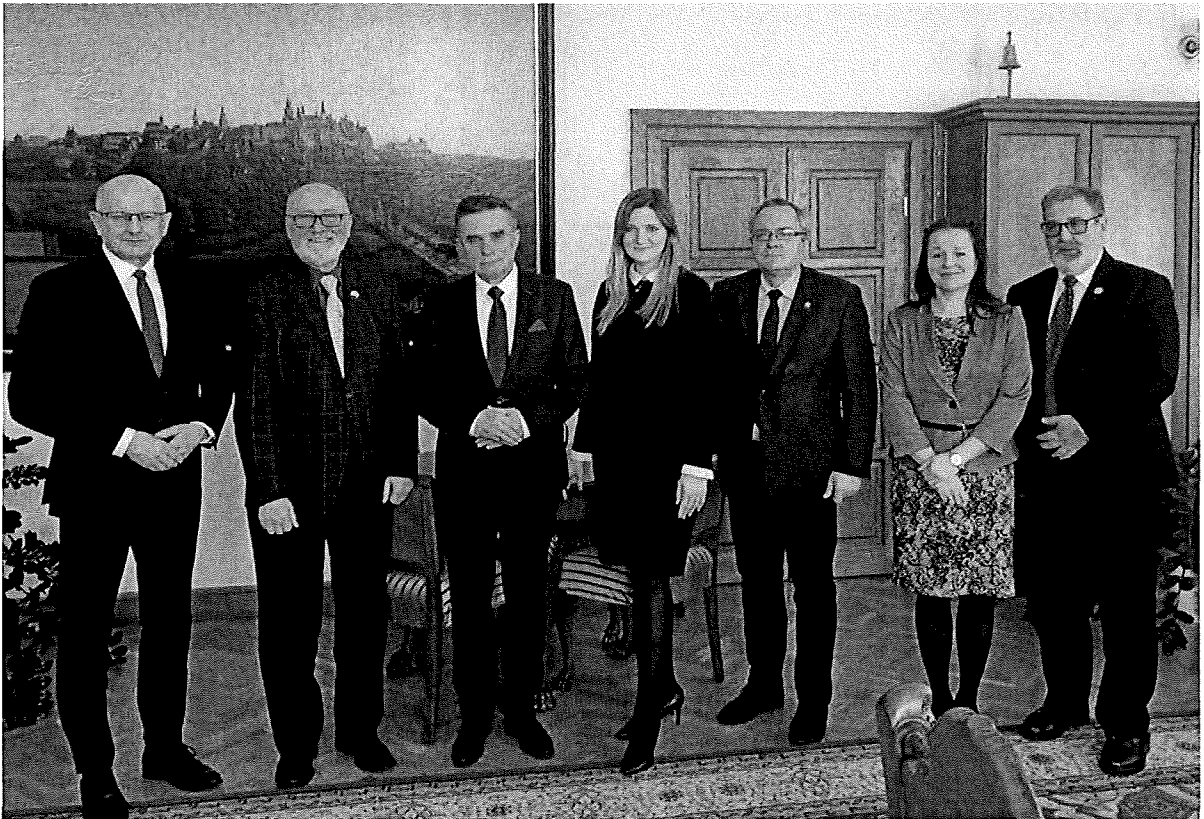
**Director, Centre for International Cooperation**

**Krzysztof Stanowski** (electronic document with approved electronic signature)

Translated by Frank Simpson, University of Windsor, Ontario, Canada

**The initiating meeting regarding broader economic cooperation of the Lublin region with Canada.**

December 19, 2019, the office of the Mayor of Lublin.



Present, from the left: President - Krzysztof Żuk, Jerzy Barycki, President of PCBPAW, Voivode - Lech Sprawka, Vice President - Beata Stepaniuk-Kuśmierzak, Vice-Marshal - Zbigniew Wojciechowski, General Director at the Voivode Office - Agata Gula and Director of the International Cooperation Office of the City of Lublin - Krzysztof Stanowski.