

MOTION ON NOTICE

2. Endorsing the Recommendations from the Fresh Voices Report

At the Regular Council meeting on September 30, 2014, Councillor Reimer submitted the following Notice of Motion.

MOVER: Councillor Reimer

SECONDER:

WHEREAS

1. The Fresh Voices from Long Journeys project is a joint initiative of Vancouver Foundation and the BC Representative for Children and Youth to provide a voice to immigrant and refugee youth;
2. In 2013 the Fresh Voices from Long Journeys initiative culminated in a "Fresh Voices Report" (<http://make-it-count.ca/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/FreshVoices-Web-report-2013.pdf>) which contained 16 policy recommendations on pages 13 to 17, including support for the Make It Count Campaign (recommendation 1);
3. The "Fresh Voices Report" was presented to City Council by youth from the Vancouver Foundation on February 19, 2014, and there was broad agreement from Council that it would welcome advice from the City's Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee (CYFA) on the recommendations;
4. CYFA is a civic agency appointed by Vancouver City Council to provide advice and recommendations to Council on matters that relate to children, youth and families;
5. At its meeting on May 22, 2014, CYFA approved requesting Mayor and Council to support the recommendations of the Fresh Voices Report and Make It Count Campaign.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT City Council thank the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee (CYFA) for their time to review the recommendations in the Fresh Voices Report and provide advice to City Council.
- B. THAT City Council endorse the 16 recommendations from the Fresh Voices Report including support for the Make It Count Campaign (recommendation 1).

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