

City of Reconciliation Progress Report

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AGENDA

1. City of Reconciliation

- Progress on furthering the long term goals
- Vancouver's responses to TRC Calls to Action in 2016
- Learnings, challenges, outcomes and opportunities

2. Vancouver Commemorates Canada 150+

- A component of City of Reconciliation work plan
- Branding and purpose
- Signature, Affiliated & Associated Projects
- Budget

City of Reconciliation has 3 long term goals -

1. Strengthen Local First Nations and Urban Aboriginal Relations

- Affordable Housing Strategy - MVAEC Housing Call to Action - City response that up to 700 units
- Building a new Urban Native Youth Association Native Youth Centre, and Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society
- City - Musqueam joint Sea Level Rise plan
- Hosting West Coast Family Night for National Aboriginal Day



2. Promote Aboriginal Peoples Arts, Culture, Awareness and Understanding

- Survivors Totem Pole installed in Pigeon Park
- Re: Address Housing Summit - workshop to explore Indigenous Design Principles for city building
- Research on Aboriginal healing and wellness in the DTES
- Canada 150+



3. Incorporate First Nations and Urban Aboriginal Perspectives for Effective City Services

- VPL formed an inter-library Reconciliation committee
- Recruit Indigenous staff, with planning, policy, & cultural knowledge
- Engineering - First Nations Liaison
- Communications - Aboriginal Engagement Coordinator
- Arts and Culture - History & Arts Consultant
- Park Board - Archeologist to assist with First Nations archeological issues
- Social Policy - two Aboriginal Community Planners



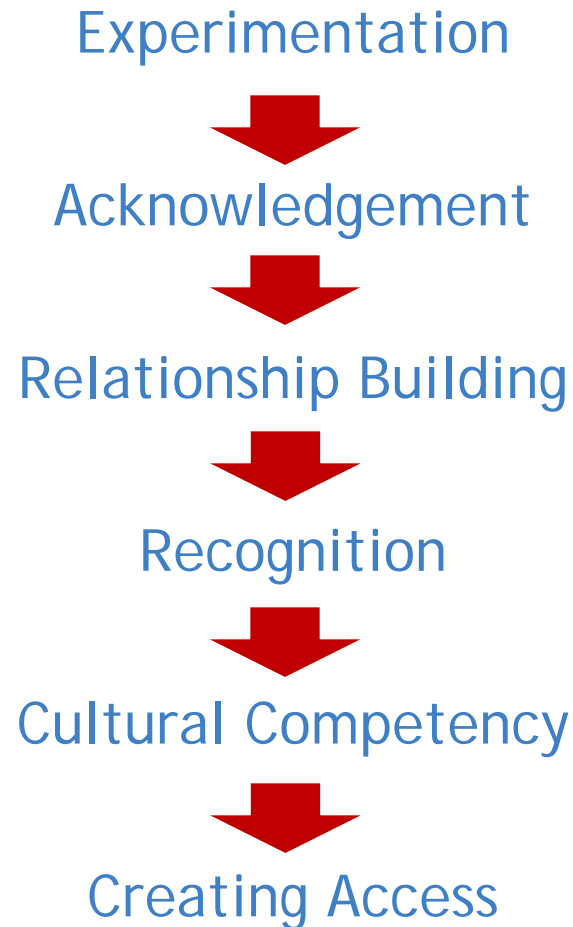
Truth & Reconciliation Calls to Action

Progress Update

- Completed 12 actions
- In Progress 10 actions
- Ongoing 19 actions

(details of actions are in Appendix A)

Key City Learnings : Process to date



Capacity building is key

- Cultural Competency Training - 700+ City staff including the Corporate Management Team and elected official
- Learnings go both ways - City and First Nations governance and priorities



Challenges, Learning Outcomes, Opportunities

Reconciliation provides an opportunity for innovation



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Recognizing Constraints

- Need for flexible timeframes
- There are different engagement approaches between First Nations and urban Aboriginal communities
- Knowing when to set a precedent with a new approach
- Impacts on socio-economic well-being requires Federal and Provincial collaboration

Moving Forward Together



STRENGTHENING OUR RELATIONS

Vancouver Commemorates Canada 150+ PROJECT OVERVIEW

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OUR BRAND

CANADA 150+ LOGO CALL

Call to Musqueam, Squamish & Tsleil-Waututh Artists

Selection process included reps from 3 Host Nations

Thomas Cannell: consensus decision, winning design

Brand launched New Year's Eve



Canada 150+

Moving forward together

"This design is about people coming together. Canada 150+ is a celebration for everyone, which is why I have used so many people in this design, including children.

Designs that include people gives me an opportunity to colour each person differently to represent people from all over the world coming to Vancouver".

Thomas Cannell, November 2016

DRUM IS CALLING FESTIVAL + KANATA

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- Traditional and contemporary Indigenous and cross-cultural arts & culture
- July 22-30, 2017
- Cultural District: Larwill Park and surrounding venues

KANATA

- Build and program Indigenous housing from traditional territories
- June-July 2017, 3 weeks Cultural District: Larwill Park
- Vancouver Native Housing Society



LARWILL PARK – FESTIVAL SITE





QUEEN ELIZABETH THEATRE + PLAZA

VANCOUVER CIVIC THEATRES

- Vancouver Playhouse - performances, speakers, films
- Queen Elizabeth Theatre - Indigenous Fashion Week
- QET PLAZA - carving demonstrations, long table dinners

CAMBIE STREET

- Partial street closure
- Indigenous sports activities and demos
- Connect Larwill Park to Vancouver Civic Theatres complex

GATHERING OF CANOES

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July, 2017

Location: TBD

Support three Nations as Hosts

WALK FOR RECONCILIATION

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Key Note speaker, Indigenous programming and education

Sunset Beach to Vanier Park - walking route of 3 - 4 kms

September 24, 2017

Supportive partnership with Reconciliation Canada



ABORIGINAL PRODUCTION APPRENTICE PROGRAM

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12 weeks of Living Wage employment for 6-8 Apprentices

May 15 - August 4, 2017

For people who self-identify as Musqueam, Squamish or Tsleil-Waututh First Nations, Urban Aboriginal, Inuit or Métis.

Production training and mentoring in cultural industries

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- Walk Vancouver Challenge
- Wild Salmon Caravan
- Youth-directed engagement projects on immigration and anti-racism
- Canada 150+ Mural Program
- Thunderbird Sharing Ceremony
- Vancouver Immigration Partnership
- VPL's Canada 150-funded project is *Story City: Canadian Journeys in Vancouver*
- *IN ADDITION Created an interdepartmental staff team to find synergies in ongoing work*



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- June 23 – Sept 24, 2017
- A 30-min. cinematic event depicting the journey of wild salmon in BC rivers.
- Created specifically for projection across the underspan of the
- Cambie Bridge (from Coopers Park towards Spyglass Place)
- Accompanied by an original nature-based soundscape with no narration.

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- Free, all-ages circus spectacular on board a 100-foot tall ship
- August 9 - September 2, 2017
- Floating theatre, the Amara Zee moored along SE False Creek
- City presents Caravan Stage Company's play

BUDGET

REVENUE

•Department of Canadian Heritage	\$2,313,000
•City of Vancouver	\$2,400,000
•Sponsorship (VIK and cash)	\$1,500,000
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EXPENSES

•Drum is Calling Festival	\$2,000,000
•Canoe Gathering	\$400,000
•Walk for Reconciliation	\$300,000
•VPL, Park Board, Public Art and VIP	\$1,200,000
•External Partnerships	\$300,000
Staff, Marketing & Contingency	2,013,000
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MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER



City of Reconciliation/ Vancouver Commemorates Canada 150+

- Aligned in purpose, goals and values
- Advancing arts, culture, awareness and understanding
- Strengthening Relations
- Moving forward together in hope and healing