

Deborah Liske

Subject: FW: VURD - Advisory Panel Gathering Invitation
Attachments: VURD_AgencyActivity.docx; ATT00001.htm; Mayor_Dejardins_Invite.pdf; ATT00002.htm

From: Barb Desjardins
Sent: January-29-19 12:06 PM
To: Laurie Hurst
Subject: Fwd: VURD - Advisory Panel Gathering Invitation

Should this questionnaire go to council or can staff help

Sent from my iPhone

Barbara Desjardins
Mayor
Tel: 1-250-883-1944

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT		
For Information:		
<input type="checkbox"/> CAO	<input type="checkbox"/> Mayor/Council	
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
RECEIVED: JAN 29 2019		
Referred: <i>Anja</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> For Action	<input type="checkbox"/> For Response	<input type="checkbox"/> COTW
<input type="checkbox"/> For Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Agenda	<input type="checkbox"/> IC

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jodi Graham <Jodi.Graham@esquimalt.ca>
Date: January 29, 2019 at 9:55:51 AM PST
To: Barb Desjardins <Barbara.Desjardins@esquimalt.ca>
Subject: FW: VURD - Advisory Panel Gathering Invitation

You are confirmed and I have forwarded to members of council.

***They have asked you complete the attached questionnaire for their information.**

Thanks,
jodi

Jodi Graham
Executive Assistant | Office of the Mayor & CAO
Tel: 1-250-414-7101

From: Barb Desjardins
Sent: January-25-19 4:37 PM
To: Jodi Graham
Subject: Fwd: VURD - Advisory Panel Gathering Invitation

Can I do this, can you see if it's open to others on council?

Sent from my iPhone

Barbara Desjardins
Mayor
Tel: 1-250-883-1944

Begin forwarded message:

From: Dialogue <thedialogue@vnfc.ca>
Date: January 25, 2019 at 3:31:17 PM PST
To: "barb.desjardins@esquimalt.ca" <barb.desjardins@esquimalt.ca>
Subject: VURD - Advisory Panel Gathering Invitation

Hello,

The Victoria Urban Reconciliation Dialogue will be hosting their second Advisory Panel Gathering on February 25, 2019 and we would like to formally invite you. The attached invitation contains all pertinent information.

Also attached is a short survey for your agency to complete and return prior to the Gathering. Even if your agency is not able to attend Gathering, the information in this survey will be of great assistance to the group and so we still request a submission. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions about the Gathering or survey, feel free to contact me directly. Also, we encourage you to bring your business cards to the event as there will be time for networking and making connections.

In the Spirit of Reconciliation,

Katrina

Katrina Philpotts | Administrative Assistant | Victoria Urban
Reconciliation Dialogue | Hosted by Victoria Native Friendship Centre |
Office: 250 384 3211 ext. 2201 | Fax: 250 984 1586

"I respectfully acknowledge the territory of the Coast Salish Peoples on whose land I am a guest in my life, work and play."

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Agency Survey

This is a general survey to gather a baseline of information about what agencies in Victoria are doing in relation to reconciliation. Only one survey needs to be submitted per agency.

Even if your agency is not able to participate in the VURD Advisory Panel Gathering, it would benefit our process to receive your completed survey. Please return surveys by **Friday, February 15, 2019**, to TheDialogue@vnfc.ca. A summary of all surveys will be presented at the Advisory Panel Gathering, February 25, 2019.

Agency Name:

1. List your agency's current activities that support the concept of reconciliation? *This could include participation in committees, developing new partnerships, programs being developed or run, etc.*
2. What is your agency's next priority in the area of reconciliation? *This could be a broad topic, like health barriers, or something specific like recruit an Indigenous Board member.*
3. Describe any written or long-term reconciliation commitments that your organization has made. *This could include declarations or MOUs with new partners, joining a reconciliation initiative, applying for programming funds, etc.*
4. Does your organization's mandate and/or constitution accommodate dialogue and activities around reconciliation? If so, please provide the wording. If not, has there been any consideration for changing the mandate and/or constitution to specifically speak to reconciliation?
5. Feel free to share any other information, questions or ideas you consider relevant to the reconciliation dialogue for the Victoria area, or include attachments which document your reconciliation efforts, conversations or philosophies.

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January 25, 2019

Barb Dejardins, Mayor
Township of Esquimalt - Municipal Hall
1229 Esquimalt Road
Esquimalt, BC V9A 3P1

Re: Invitation to Participate in the Victoria Urban Reconciliation Dialogue

Dear Barb Dejardins,

The Victoria Urban Reconciliation Dialogue (VURD) Steering Committee would be honoured to host you at their second Advisory Panel Gathering:

Monday, February 25, 2019
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Victoria Native Friendship Centre Gymnasium, 231 Regina Avenue
Breakfast Refreshments and Hot Lunch Provided

This second Advisory Panel Gathering will build on the excellent work done at the first Advisory Panel Gathering, held November 26, 2018.

As a background for this Gathering, in March 2018, urban Indigenous community agencies, community members including an Elder and an artist, and the federal, provincial and some municipal local governments gathered at the Victoria Native Friendship Centre in response to the shared desire to begin a Victoria Urban Reconciliation Dialogue. From this group a Steering Committee was formed to enable an ongoing conversation within the community.



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The Steering Committee hosted the first Advisory Panel Gathering in November 2018, where 40 people participated in an open dialogue with the intent to collectively assess what reconciliation means among Indigenous and non-Indigenous community members, organizations, governments and educational institutions located in the Victoria area. While many wonderful conversations were shared, the day went by fast and it became clear that we needed to gather again to continue The Dialogue.

For our second Advisory Panel Gathering we will discuss the findings of the first Gathering, build on identified priority conversations and provide direction on how best to start including the larger community. We will also be inviting an enhanced list of participants to bring more voices to the table.

Please note that we are in the process of developing a website so all our background information and supporting documentation is readily available to the public. We hope to go live at www.TheDialogue.ca in early February 2019.

We hope you will join us at the VURD Advisory Panel Gathering and contribute your unique perspective. We hope to create a space inclusive of a diverse array of perspectives that cover a wide demographic of the Victoria area.

You can contact Katrina Philpotts, Administrative Assistant, at TheDialogue@vnfc.ca, or 250-384-3211 ext. 2201, if you have questions about the Gathering or to request background information on the Victoria Urban Reconciliation Dialogue. You can also send her your RSVP, which we request by **Friday, February 8, 2019**.

We hope you will choose to join us for this important Dialogue and contribute to our shared vision of reconciliation for the Victoria area.

In the Spirit of Reconciliation,



Ron Rice
Co-Chair, VURD Steering Committee &
Executive Director, Victoria Native Friendship Centre

Cc: Stuart Gale, Co-Chair, Victoria Urban Reconciliation Dialogue Steering Committee &
Executive Director, Ministry of Indigenous Relations & Reconciliation