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(Approved November 28, 2017)

## **Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee**

### **Date**

2017/09/19

### **Time**

6:00 PM

### **Location**

Civic Centre, Committee Room A - Second Floor,  
300 Civic Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1 Ontario

### **Members Present**

Joseph Zammit, Citizen Member (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor Karen Ras, Ward 2  
Councillor John Kovac, Ward 4  
Wendy Davies, Citizen Member  
Irfan Malik, Citizen Member  
Kris Noakes, Citizen Member  
John Pegram, Citizen Member

### **Members Absent**

Mira Coughlan, Friends of the Museums of Mississauga  
Joyce Delves, Citizen Member  
Anne Fabierkiewicz, Citizen Member  
Alla Petritsyna, Citizen Member  
Barbara Hazel Tabuno, Citizen Member  
Descendent of the Harris Family (*ex-officio*)

### **Staff Present**

Stuart Keeler, Manager and Chief Curator  
Sonja Banic, Manager, Culture Operations  
Mumtaz Alikhan, Legislative Coordinator

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<http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/heritageadvisory>

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:05pm

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA  
**APPROVED** (Councillor K. Ras)

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1. Approval of Minutes of June 20, 2017 Meeting

**APPROVED** (K. Noakes)

5. DEPUTATIONS – Nil.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - Nil

7. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

7.1. Update on MOMAC Work Plan - Joe Zammit, Chair

There was no update.

7.2. Update – Museums of Mississauga

Stuart Keeler, Manager and Chief Curator, reviewed the Museums of Mississauga activities over the Summer months and spoke to upcoming exhibits and events at the Bradley Museum and Benares House as well as the marketing efforts through digital promotions and social media. He noted that the *Story of M* is the driving force for the future work plan and spoke to the various public engagement workshops, including youth focus groups as well as external events to engage the public. He said that the stories collected will be used to influence Museum artifacts and collections, interpretation, exhibitions and programming, public art and events, and the priorities for designating heritage properties. Mr. Keeler distributed the schedule of the workshops to Committee Members.

In response to Councillor Kovac, Mr. Keeler advised that over 19,000 artifacts not in use are in storage and the Museums will be deaccessioning between 500 to 1000 inconsequential artifacts this year. He said that current collections are tied to the historical houses, namely Benares House and Bradley Museum. The Chair noted that

the overflow artifacts are professionally stored by an internationally known company and Mr. Keeler noted that the storage at Thomsons Storage in Mississauga costs \$20,000 annually. Mr. Keeler stated that the goal for the *Story of M* project is to create themes of heritage relevance tied to all residents of Mississauga.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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That the update on the Museums of Mississauga as outlined in the Memorandum dated September 1, 2017 from Stuart Keeler, Manager and Chief Curator, be received for information.

**RECEIVED** (I. Malik)

#### 7.3. Update from Friends of the Museums of Mississauga

Wendy Davies spoke to the success of the History & Hats Garden Party September 9 held at Benares House.

The Chair spoke to the resignation of Mira Coghlan, the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga (Friends) Representative on the Museums of Mississauga. In response to his question regarding Ms. Coghlan's continuation as a Committee Member of MOMAC, Mumtaz Alikhan, Legislative Coordinator, advised that Ms. Coghlan's appointment on MOMAC was agency appointment and therefore she could no longer continue as such due to her resignation from the Friends. The Chair stated that at this stage in MOMAC's Term, it might be prudent for a Committee Member, who also sits on the Friends' Board, to provide updates at future MOMAC meetings.

#### 8. INFORMATION ITEMS – Nil.

#### 9. OTHER BUSINESS

##### 9.1. Chair's Message - Verbal

The Chair stressed the importance of representation from MOMAC Members at the series of *Story of M* Workshops and requested Committee Members to advise him of their availability.

#### 10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - November 28, 2017

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT – 6:47 pm