



Meeting Minutes

International Decade for People of African Descent Advisory Committee

Date: July 13th, 2022, from 5:17pm to 6:50pm via MS teams

Attendees: Dominique Makay, Kenny Panza, Dr. Christian Kumi, Hissein Idris, William Goldiet,

Council Liaisons: Councillor Dubow, Mayor Helps

City Staff: Silvia Mangué, Albert Galiev, Pierre-Paul Angelblazer, Layla Monk

Regrets: Barbra Hudlin

Time of Meeting: 5:17 p.m.

Item	Description	Notes
1.	Welcome and Land Acknowledgement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dominique Makay gave the land acknowledgement
2.	Approval of the June 13 th minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approved as circulated
3.	Debrief on the town hall engagement	<p>Attending community members were engaged and receptive to the grant program. While some operational details, wide-spread consensus that the beneficiaries of the grant should be “youth.”</p> <p><i>Finding and creating community space:</i></p> <p>Feedback from the town hall was that finding, or creating a community space was needed to provide a hub for building community awareness on existing programs and local educational and recreational opportunities.</p> <p>The committee discussed receiving a dedicated timeslot at the Neighbourhub, or finding space in a local church, in order to advertise the space as a part of the application process, thereby opening applications to programming for the space.</p> <p><i>Programming:</i></p>

		Members of the committee discussed the importance of programming in schools and creating safe and welcoming spaces for children of African descent.
	Report on the IDPAD grant program development process	<p>Layla Monk; Financial Analyst, discussed the basic standards and criteria of City grant programs. Emphasis was placed on the inability of businesses to apply for the grant.</p> <p><i>Definition of youth:</i> Committee discussed youth as grant beneficiaries. Youth was defined as people under 26, with no restrictions on geographic location.</p> <p><i>Report to Council:</i> Mayor Helps was tasked with drafting a report to Council in order to secure funding and set guidelines before any change in Council. A draft of the report will be circulated ahead of the next IDPAD meeting, in order to allow members to provide input before it appears on the agenda.</p> <p><i>Applicant Eligibility:</i> Committee discussed whether organizations or individuals, or both ought to be able to apply for the grant.</p> <p>Organizations have access to resources, and the ability to apply for other grants, however they also have expertise to make use of the grant. Individuals can apply with creative ideas and programs, but may only represent themselves, and have trouble reaching the broader community.</p> <p>Ultimately, as the committee may select the grant recipients, it was decided that leaving it open to all would be best in order to receive a diverse range of applications.</p> <p>“Organizations, or initiatives, led by people of African descent, creating positive social impacts for black youth.”</p>
	Grant streams prioritization	<i>Referred to the next meeting.</i>

	Delegation of authority and next steps	<i>Referred to the next meeting.</i>
4.	Closing remarks	<p><i>Next Meeting:</i></p> <p>By unanimous consent, the Committee agreed to meet on the 25th of July, 2022 in order to discuss the grant further.</p> <p>The Committee will discuss members' level of interest in determining criteria, communications, and the selection of the grant recipient.</p>
5.	Meeting Adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.