

**Report to
Rapport au:**

**Finance and Economic Development Committee
Comité des finances et du développement économique
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**and Council
et au Conseil
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**SUBJECT: French Language Services Advisory Committee 2015 – 2018 Revised
Work Plan**

**OBJET: Comité consultatif sur les services en français – plan de travail
révisé de 2015 - 2018**

REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Economic Development Committee recommend Council approve the revised objectives contained in the French Language Services Advisory Committee's 2015-2018 work plan, as detailed in Document 1.

RECOMMANDATION DU RAPPORT

Que le Comité des finances et du développement économique recommande au Conseil d'approuver les objectifs révisés présentés dans le plan de travail 2015-18 du Comité consultatif sur les services en français, tel que décrit à la pièce jointe n° 1.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting of 12 September 2012, City Council approved a new structure for its [Advisory Committees](#), which aligns these committees with the Term of Council Priorities. Subsequently on July 8, 2015, City Council approved the [Term of Council Priorities](#) for the 2014 – 2018 Term of Council.

Departmental staff were instrumental in assisting the French Language Services Advisory Committee in preparing its 2015-2018 work plan. As a result, City Council approved the Committee's work plan on October 14, 2015.

DISCUSSION

The French Language Services Advisory Committee reviewed its 2015-2018 work plan and determined that some dates and activities required amending as described below:

- Objective 1: *Support the development of a fully bilingual program and promotional activities for the City of Ottawa celebrations surrounding the 150th anniversary of Canada's Confederation in 2017.*
Activities 1 and 2 – Removed 2018 dates
- Objective 2: *Support the growth of Francophone and Francophile businesses in Ottawa*
Activity 1 - Timelines have changes to be consistent with the meeting agendas
- Revised department/branch names to reflect new titles
- Objective 3: *Approach that helps increase the provision of recreational activities in French*

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- Objective 5: *Continue to increase staff awareness of the active offer of bilingual services*

Activities 1 and 2 – Removed as it was determined that these activities could be provided through the French Language Services Manager's report

Activity 1 (NEW) – Provide advice to the Elections Office on developing training and promotional material related to the active offer of services in both languages as well as provide additional strategies to recruit a great number of staff able to communicate in French at voting places for the 2018 municipal elections.

Attached as Document 1 is the revised 2015-2018 work plan with track changes.

RURAL IMPLICATIONS

Any applicable rural implications are identified in the Council Priorities for each project, as outlined in Document 1.

CONSULTATION

Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public and anyone wishing to speak to an item may do so. No members of the public spoke to this item at the FLSAC meeting of February 9, 2017.

Department staff were consulted with the development of the FLSAC work plan and support the revised objectives found there-in.

COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR(S)

This is a city-wide issue.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE(S) COMMENTS

This is a report from the French Language Services Advisory Committee.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal implications associated with the recommendation contained in this report.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no risk management implications associated with this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implications only reflect the spending of funds by the advisory committee. As such, there are no financial implications directly associated with this report.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

There are no accessibility impacts directly associated with this report.

TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Applicable Term of Council priorities are identified in Document 1.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- Document 1 – Revised 2015-2018 work plan of the French Language Services Advisory Committee (with track changes) (*Held on file with the City Clerk*)
- Document 2 – French Language Services Advisory Committee Terms of Reference (*Held on file with the City Clerk*)

DISPOSITION

The French Language Services Advisory Committee will continue to work with staff to complete the projects identified in the attached work plan.