INDIGENOUS POLICY AND PROCESS RENEWAL ADVISOR

Mover: Councillor R. Zagordo **Seconder**: Councillor C. Gardi

WHEREAS Bawaating in the historical sacred gathering place of all Anishinaabe (Indigenous) people since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS the First Peoples (Ojibway, Metis and Inuit) of this area have for centuries sought peace and friendship with settlers and shared resources and ways of knowing; and

WHEREAS the City of Sault Ste. Marie is committed to pillars of a progressive community, including improving respectful relations, inclusion and the prosperity of Indigenous community members; and

WHEREAS outreach to neighbouring communities and partner agencies has been ongoing throughout this and previous terms of Council through various channels, including the Bawaating Indigenous Advisory Council and the CEDI facilitated economic development training program; and

WHEREAS in an effort to enhance the pillars of a progressive community, the City of Sault Ste. Marie wishes to engrain improvements to the processes and policies at City Hall into the corporate structure of the municipality:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CAO develop a job description for an Indigenous Policy and Process Renewal Advisor that reports directly to the CAO, and that the Bawaating Indigenous Advisory Circle be requested to review and provide feedback on the job description before it returns to Council for further discussion and direction on implementing such an advisory position.

CARRIED

Matthew Shoemaker