



INDIGENOUS TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP

# 2023-2024 **Priorities and Outcomes**





# Indigenous Technical Advisory Group 2023-2024

## PRIORITIES AND OUTCOMES

### PRIORITIES RANKED DURING THE JANUARY 27, 2023 MEETING:

1. Systemic Barriers
2. Municipal Elections
3. Placemaking & Place Keeping
4. City use of Indigenous Languages & Territory Acknowledgments
5. Honoraria for Indigenous People and Expertise



### MEETINGS AND TOPICS:

#### 2023

- **January 27, 2023** – ITAG priority discussion and rankings
- **April 14, 2023** – Introduction to Systemic Barriers – initial brainstorming
- **June 16, 2023** – Introduction to Elections – brainstorming
- **October 20, 2023** – Systemic Barriers – recommendation identification
- **December 8, 2023** – Systemic Barriers – recommendation prioritization

#### 2024

- **April 12, 2024** – Election Updates and Systemic Barriers Report update
- **June 7, 2024** – Legacy Review project presentation/discussion and COS Strategic Plan introduction
- **September 20, 2024** – Strategic Plan conversation and ITAG Administration



### 2023-2024 OUTCOMES:

- **Completion of the Recommendation Report on Systemic Barriers**
  - Major Accomplishment
    - Incorporation of languages into the report.
- **Elections** – input and direction.
  - Sharing information on the importance of representation, access to employment opportunities, and recommendations on identification requirements.
- **Legacy Review** – feedback on the importance of representation and shared experiences.
- **City of Saskatoon Strategic Plan 2026-2029** – feedback on engagement and process; importance of language and representation

## Additional Outcomes and successes

- Commitment to respectful communication and good meetings that are grounded in ceremony.
- Realignment of ITAG approach to identifying and addressing priorities
- Thoughtful adjustments to leadership and flexibility in member participation.

## 2023-2024 ITAG Membership

### ELDERS & KNOWLEDGE KEEPERS:

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Louise Oelke

Dorah Montgrande

Harry Lafond

This year, we lost our Elder Gilbert Kewistep. Gilbert guided the group as a Sacred Pipe Carrier and Knowledge Keeper and, as an original member, he has been a strong advocate and a positive guide for ITAG. Throughout the years, he shared his teachings with patience and kindness as we worked through many important topics impacting our community. His quiet strength and supportive spirit will be missed at our table and throughout the community.

### ADVISORY GROUP MEMBERS (PAST AND PRESENT)

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Aubrey-Anne Laliberte-Pewapisconias

Margaret Bear

Faith Bosse

Cheyenna Hunt

Jordy Ironstar

Hayley Linklater

Margaret Naldzil

Darlene Okemaysim-Sicotte

Shelby Redman

Eva Sinclair

Curtis Standing

Ian Thomas

Shawn Waskewitch

Sheena Yew

Andrea Lafond

Audrey Armstrong

Candace Lafferty-Wasacase

Marc Okihcihtaw

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