

Learning culture and inclusive access

I will make everyday participation easier and more affordable. A city is stronger when residents can use its facilities, learn skills and take part in cultural life.

WHAT I WILL BRING FORWARD

- Review recreation waitlists, registration, fee assistance and accessible opening hours. Publish gaps and prioritize practical improvements before new prestige projects.
- Work with the School Board, libraries and community centres on shared spaces, after-school learning, maker activities and family supports. Seek childcare opportunities on suitable City sites with qualified operators.
- Support Indigenous-led and community-led cultural programming, affordable artist space, neighbourhood festivals and Chinatown activities through transparent grants and venue access.
- Improve multilingual information, physical access, accessible washrooms and in-person service. Include seniors and people without reliable phones or identification in service design.

Delivery. Publish a neighbourhood access plan and funding choices. Major pool and recreation decisions should receive evidence, lifecycle costing and Agora input; Council, the Park Board and the School Board retain their respective responsibilities.

Public measures. Report waitlists, fee-assistance uptake, accessibility repairs, program completion, participation and venue affordability.

Conditions. Do not promise curriculum changes, free universal childcare or new facilities without the responsible authority and operating funds. Small-business and cultural funding must be transparent and available on fair terms.

Connects to: 18, 19, 20, 22, 24, 26

Evidence notes: S01 in the full policy package.