

## Legislation Text

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### **PRESENTATION BY THE MACLAREN ART CENTRE CONCERNING AN OVERVIEW OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE ORGANIZATION**

Lisa Daniels, Director/Curator and Michael MacMillan Board Chair/President of the MacLaren Art Centre provided a presentation concerning an overview of its organization's services.

Ms. Daniels discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- An overview of services provided by the MacLaren Art Centre;
- The milestones celebrated by the art centre;
- The focus and future of the art centre;
- The benefits the art centre provides to the community such as the following:
  - Building a stronger community;
  - Provides innovation and citizen driven services;
  - Fosters a healthy city through art;
  - Strengthen ties and partnerships with people service agencies to reduce barriers and increase access and inclusion.
- An overview of the organization's financial base;
- A comparative scan of art galleries in other municipalities and their operating budgets;
- The economic impact and tangible benefits to having an art exhibition; and
- The future plans of the organization and opportunities to support downtown Barrie.
- The alignment of priorities and potential opportunity to partner with the City to deliver services and share goals to build a healthy economically strong community.

Members of Council asked a number of questions of Ms. Daniels, Mr. MacMillan and City staff and received responses.