

**RESOLUTION – 2020-14**

**Resolution to Create Ad Hoc Committee to Develop Inclusionary Policies**

*Whereas*, the Borough of Lansdowne and Lansdowne Borough Council strives to create cultural programming that includes members of all demographic communities in Lansdowne; and,

*Whereas*, the Borough of Lansdowne is a culturally, religiously, ethnically, and racially diverse community and we want to incorporate all communities into the decision-making and cultural celebrations of Lansdowne; and,


*Whereas*, past research into the arts, cultural, and recreational programming of Lansdowne have identified weaknesses in the area of diverse programming; for example, the summary findings of the Philadelphia Cultureworks in a 2013 study states:

“There was also a lack of diversity in cultural and other offerings, a feeling that activities and events don’t reflect the community.”

“These were thought to be generationally diverse but not racially diverse. There is a need to reach out to other ethnic and socioeconomic communities and engage them in programs or develop programming for them.”

*Therefore, be it resolved*, an ad hoc committee comprised of Benjamin Hover, Sinoe Najji-Taylor, and Wardell Holt will meet through December 31<sup>st</sup> 2020 to develop inclusionary policies and recommendations for Lansdowne Boards and Commissions to ensure the development of arts, recreational, cultural, and economic planning that includes all members of the Borough of Lansdowne.

**ADOPTED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2020**

  
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Benjamin D. Hover  
Council President

ATTEST:

  
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Craig Totaro  
Assistant Borough Secretary