

City of Port Moody

Minutes

Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee

November 9, 2023 Electronic Webinar Via Zoom 7:00 pm

Present: Councillor Kyla Knowles, Chair

Laurie Beckwith
Jacquie Boyer
Dianna Brown
Jessie Kaur
Brenda Millar
Gaetan Royer
Rebeca Salas
Megan Tucker
Geoffrey Ryan

In Attendance: Devin Jain - Manager of Cultural Services

Mary De Paoli – Manager of Policy Planning Adam Shroff – Legislative Services Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Territorial Land Acknowledgement

The Chair provided the territorial land acknowledgement.

- 3. Adoption of the Agenda
 - 3.1 Agenda

ACHC23/016

THAT the agenda of the November 9, 2023, Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Adoption of Minutes

4.1 Minutes

ACHC23/017

THAT the minutes of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee meeting held on October 12, 2023, be adopted.

CARRIED

6. New Business

6.1 Changes to the Annual Report Process

Verbal Report: Legislative Services Coordinator and Manager of Cultural Services

6.2 Comments on Arts and Business Coalition Recommendations

Verbal Report: Chair

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- concern over the previous resistance to fund the things mentioned in this report;
- desire to expand the definition of the arts;
- increase art inclusion, funding, etc;
- the desire for wider consultation with arts groups;
- the specific mandate and timeline of the task force;
- the development of a larger City of the Arts strategy;
- the integral role played by the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee;
- the desire to include the fibre arts group in consultation;
- the desire for more cohesiveness between the buildings being built including to provide space for art work and maintenance for the artwork;
- the desire to create a walk-through tour experience of art;
- opportunities for partnerships between land owners and artists to include or provide space for art in new developments;
- a unified colour palette for new developments;
- leveraging emergent development and funding complexity with new legislation;
- the employment nature and conditions of the Executive Art Director position;

- the desire is to keep the organisation at arms length and make the Arts Council self-sustaining:
- agreements with developers and strata's for ongoing maintenance of artworks; and
- James Harry, the artist involved in the "In The Presence of Ancestors" project as well as house post carvings.

6.3 General Feedback on Committee Experience for 2023 and Suggestions for 2024

Verbal Report: Chair

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- the slow start this year;
- the possibility of a committee action plan (assigned by Council);
- the desire for more structure;
- a number of heritage items in the Tri-City news that doesn't get brought up at this committee;
- a perceived lack of impact on heritage;
- the need of an archive for Port Moody;
- the desire to have the Arts and Heritage Committee be more informed on relevant topics;
- the potential to provide an archive through the library staff;
- the desire to add an item to update the heritage register list to the following year's workplan;
- heritage-related planning reports about buildings being moved, removed, etc by developers;
- the desire to present the heritage strategy and arts strategy to this committee.

7. Information

7.1 Staff Updates

8. Adjournment

The Chair Adjourned the meeting at 7:57pm.

K. Knowles, Chair

A. Shroff, Legislative Services

Coordinator