



City of Port Moody

Minutes

Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee

March 14, 2024
7:00pm
Electronic Webinar via Zoom

Present: Councillor H. Lurbiecki, Vice-Chair
Robyn Biggar
Dianna Brown
Jace Byers
Ryan Geoffrey
Jessie Kaur
Bill Lawrie
Brenda Millar
Gaetan Royer
Megan Tucker
Janet Zlotnik

Absent: Councillor A. Lubik, Chair
Gavin Hainsworth

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 vice-chair called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Territorial Land Acknowledgement

The vice-chair provided the territorial land acknowledgement.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

3.1 Agenda

ACHC23/006

THAT the agenda of the March 14, 2024, Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

4. Adoption of Minutes

4.1 Minutes

ACHC24/007

THAT the minutes of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee meeting held on February 8, 2024, be adopted.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

6. New Business

6.1 Inspirations

Presentation: Manager of Policy Planning

Staff gave a presentation entitled "Inspirations - Woonerfs" and referred to slides contained within the on-table package.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- appreciation for mixed transit approaches such as those incorporated in a Woonerf;
- appreciation for examples of this direction starting to develop in Port Moody;
- the tools available to the City to encourage this type of landscaping in developments; and
- the criteria for Arts, Culture, and Heritage inspiration items.

Jace Byers volunteered to provide an inspiration item for the next meeting.

6.2 Heritage Week 2024 Update

Update: Heritage Week Organisers and Attendees

There was no update on this item at this time.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the Hope Meets Action exhibition by the BC Black History Awareness Society in partnership with the Royal BC Museum until April 22, 2024, at the Port Moody Museum.

6.3 National Indigenous Peoples Day

Verbal Report: Manager of Cultural Services

Staff provided an update on National Indigenous Peoples Day and noted the following:

- a Blessing Ceremony is confirmed for June 22, 2024;
- staff are investigating the possibility of hosting a large blanket exercise earlier that day; and
- the feast will be hosted as part of the ceremony.

6.4 Archival Feasibility Study– initial discussions

Verbal Report: Manager of Policy Planning and Robyn Biggar

Staff gave a presentation entitled "Archival Feasibility Study Discussion" and referred to slides contained within the on-table package.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- the desire to have greater retention and public accessibility of historical records;
- the nature of the website as a tool but not an official repository of records;
- the possible use of Artificial Intelligence to improve public accessibility to records;
- the expected timeframe or next steps on this project;
- desire for information, engagement with stakeholders, and approaches and general costing;
- the desire to include a consultant to help in making decisions;
- the possibility of an individual with knowledge to speak to the committee on the matter; and
- the desire to have plentiful community engagement involved in the creation of an archive.

ACHC24/008

THAT the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee recommends:

THAT staff be directed to investigate options and approximate preliminary costs and engagement approaches to implement a City Archive Program.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

ACHC24/009

THAT the foregoing motion be amended by adding the following:

"and report back to the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee."

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

The question on the main motion (ACHC24/008) as amended (by ACHC24/009) was put to a vote; the motion following was CARRIED:

THAT the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee recommends:

THAT staff be directed to investigate options and approximate preliminary costs and engagement approaches to implement a City Archive Program and report back to the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee.


7. Information

7.1 Staff Updates

Staff noted that there will be an update on Provincial Housing Initiative including heritage exemptions at the next meetings.

8. Adjournment

The Vice-Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:44pm.



Councillor H. Lurbiecki, Vice-Chair



A. Shroff, Legislative Services
Coordinator