



City of Port Moody

Minutes

Arts and Culture Committee

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Arts and Culture Committee held on March 2, 2020 in the Brovold Room.

Present

Councillor Zoë Royer, Chair
Evgeny Demin
Chris Dunnett
Sara MacLellan
Brenda Millar
James Robertson
Katy Sandler
Jill Schuler
Alison White

Absent

Councillor Diana Dilworth, Vice-Chair (Regrets)
Tasha Evans (Regrets)

In Attendance

Devin Jain – Manager of Cultural Services
Philip Lo – Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

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

New Committee Member Introduction

- 1.1 This item was not considered as the new member was not present.

Leave of Absence – Jill Schuler

- 1.2 ACC20/008
Moved, seconded, and CARRIED
THAT a Leave of Absence for Jill Schuler be approved for the following meetings:
- **April 6, 2020;**
 - **May 4, 2020;**
 - **June 1, 2020;**
 - **July 6, 2020; and**
 - **September 14, 2020**

2. Adoption of Minutes

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2.1 ACC20/009

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the minutes of the Arts and Culture Committee meeting held on Monday, February 3, 2020 be adopted.

3. Unfinished Business

4. New Business

Artist Symposium

4.1 The Artist Symposium Subcommittee reported the outcome of their meeting from February 6, 2020, noting the following:

- the proposed theme of the symposium is “On The Edge”, which would connect three thematic categories:
 - the Cutting Edge: inspiration and celebrating new art, new ways of business, and successes;
 - Edge of Survival: the economy of the arts; and
 - The Edgelands: juxtaposition of urban and suburban, the land and the urban environment.
- the theme was developed through discussions around Port Moody’s uniqueness and iconic features;
- the proposed event date is Saturday, October 3, 2020; and
- the event could be book-ended by 1-hour keynotes, with additional speakers, lunch, hosted break-out tables, followed by a reception at the end.

The Committee expressed support for the proposed theme, noting that it is catchy and memorable, addresses prominent issues and a broad spectrum of topics.

Staff suggested that the Subcommittee can meet with the General Manager of Community Services to determine event logistics.

The Subcommittee noted that the next steps would be to flush out the three key themes, and determine event format and potential speakers.

- Micro Artist Studios** 4.2 The 2019 Micro Artist Studio Subcommittee gave a presentation on their work and learnings from 2019, and noting the following:
- Project 24 in Bangor, Ireland was used as a case study;
 - the project seeks to integrate the goals of the arts, tourism, regeneration, and economic development; and
 - the three potential approaches to the project are: partnership with a local construction or training business; converted shipping containers; and locally built tiny homes or RVs.

ACC20/010

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the presentation be supported in principle for presentation to Council.

The Committee discussed the optimal way to present the subject to Council, with staff recommending that it be presented to Council as a Delegation.

ACC20/011

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT an Artist Micro Studio Subcommittee be formed, with Chris Dunnnett as Chair, and Katy Sandler and Sara MacLellan as members.

- Community Plan for Public Art – City of Nanaimo** 4.3 Councillor Diana Dilworth

Link: [City of Nanaimo Community Plan for Public Art](#)

This item was not considered as Councillor Dilworth was not present.

- Art in Public Spaces Master Plan** 4.4 The Manager of Cultural Services provided the Art in Public Spaces Planning Context Report to the Committee for review, and noted that a Workshop on this subject will be scheduled with the Committee.

- Cultural Expressions** 4.5 The Manager of Cultural Services noted that the Port Moody Arts Centre has undergone rebranding, and has launched a new website which includes a searchable artist directory.

Chris Dunnnett noted Esplanade Artist Studios artist Patricia Ballard’s painting, based on “The Coronation of the Virgin” by Giacomo Di Mino, which will be installed in a Vancouver church in the coming weeks.

Jill Schuler noted that Plesantside Elementary School is seeking art donations for its Festival of the Arts event on April 3, 2020.

Councillor Zoë Royer noted a number of exhibition openings at the Port Moody Arts Centre on March 5, 2020.

Brenda Miller noted that the small community library for the Queens Street Plaza has been completed, and that a City process is required to be completed before it can be installed.

Staff advised that the City's Engineering department is undertaking a more formal process for the installation of similar libraries, and that the process will be submitted to Council for review and approval.

2020 Draft Work Plan Revision

- 4.6 Staff advised that the proposed item of "Review the City's service contracts with artists and artist organizations and ensure that there is a clause to compensate artists fairly" on the draft 2020 Committee Work Plan is not within the purview of this Committee to consider.

The Committee concurred with staff's recommendation to change the wording of the item to "Fair compensation for artists", to allow the Committee to potentially forward a recommendation for Council's consideration on this issue.

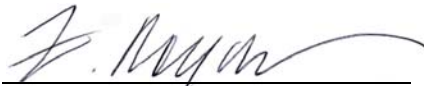
5. Information

Staff Updates


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6. Adjournment

Councillor Royer adjourned the meeting at 8:38pm.



Councillor Zoë Royer
Chair



Philip Lo
Committee Coordinator