



# City of Port Moody

## Minutes

### Arts and Culture Committee

Minutes of the electronic meeting of the Arts and Culture Committee held on July 6, 2020 via Zoom.

#### Present

Councillor Diana Dilworth, Vice-Chair  
Evgeny Demin  
Chris Dunnett  
Tasha Evans  
Brenda Millar

#### Absent

Councillor Zoë Royer, Chair  
Sara MacLellan (Regrets)  
Katy Sandler (Regrets)  
Jill Schuler (Leave of Absence)  
Alison White (Regrets)

#### In Attendance

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

#### 1. Call to Order

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

#### 2. Adoption of Minutes

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#### Minutes

##### 2.1 ACC20/022

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the minutes of the Arts and Culture Committee meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2020 be adopted.**

#### 3. Unfinished Business

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#### 4. New Business

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##### **Sustainability Report Card Review Workshop**

##### 4.1 Sustainability and Energy Coordinator

###### Attachments:

- a) Sustainability Report Card – Mixed Use
- b) Sustainability Report Card Presentation

The Sustainability and Energy Coordinator gave a presentation on the Sustainability Report Card review, noting the following:

- the Report Card is based on four pillars of sustainability (environmental, social, cultural, and economic), and focuses on sustainable design principles;
- the City is unique in incorporating social and culture sustainability in the report card;
- copies of the report card and score are submitted to the Community Planning Advisory Committee and Council for their review;
- the Report Card is continuously updated based on the need to adapt to changes to requirements, priorities, and the development approval process;
- concerns expressed by development applicants and planners regarding the Report Card include: fairness and accuracy of scoring and weighting, reflection of current policy, and the need to provide clarity on how to complete the report card; and
- suggestions to improve the Report Card include providing an alternate grading system, simplifying questions, removing required initiatives, distributing of weighting, and automatic calculation of scores.

The Committee reviewed the Cultural Sustainability Section of the Report Card, noting the following:

- Coast Salish art should be specified for developers that are considering installing First Nations art;
- specify where the art may be included in the development, such as interior and exterior spaces;
- responsibility for ongoing maintenance of the artwork should be specified;
- section C6 should be prioritized within the Arts section, as few developers are opting for artist and gallery spaces;
- contributions to artist and gallery spaces should be prioritized over public art pieces that don't fit in;
- public art included as part of developments feel obligatory and may not contribute overall to arts in the City; and

- include considerations and language around what is “meaningful” art, who the public art consultant is, and have thoughtful ideas about what foliage should be included, including possibly edible plants.

The Manager of Cultural Services advised that the Art in Public Spaces Master Plan is currently in development.

## **Online Artist Talks**      4.2 Online Artist Talks Subcommittee

The Online Artist Talks Subcommittee noted the following:

- the Port Moody Arts Centre has been hosting their own series of artist talks online and posting them on Facebook;
- the City should consider how its own artist talks will differ from the Arts Centre's, or if the City should partner with the Arts Centre; and
- the Library has not hosted artist talks before, but have experience in hosting online content.

The Committee noted the following in discussion:

- over 80% of Arts Centre programming is being run online with a very quick transition;
- Committee members can sign up for the Arts Centre talks to learn how they are run; and
- look into the possibility of hosting the Shuffle online, and have artists do virtual walkthroughs of their workspaces.

## **2020 Arts Award**      4.3 Manager of Cultural Services

Link: <https://www.portmoody.ca/en/city-hall/awards-and-recognition.aspx>

The Manager of Cultural Services reviewed the purpose and criteria of the Arts Award, noting the following:

- the Committee will review nominations at its September meeting;
- Committee members can help spread the word for all of the civic awards; and
- nominations can be done online, and the Committee can also put forward its own nomination for the award.

## **Cultural Expressions**      4.4 Brenda Millar noted that the Blue Mountain Quilters' Guild meet regularly while social distanced, that the Guild has raised funds and food donations for SHARE and has made over 1000 masks for distribution.

**Staff Updates**

5. Information


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- 5.1 The Manager of Cultural Services advised that Council has accepted the Committee's recommendation to accept the donation of the little library at the Queens Street Plaza.

6. Adjournment

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Councillor Dilworth adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.



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Councillor Diana Dilworth  
Vice-Chair



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Philip Lo  
Committee Coordinator