

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
RAVEN ROOM, MUNICIPAL HALL
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019**

Committee Members: J. Carruthers; C. Creed; P. Kiss; S. Michener; D. Morton (Meeting Chair); P. Patkau; D. Vaughan; and Councillor N. Gambioli. Absent: S. Des Lauriers.

Staff: D. Niedermayer, Senior Manager, Cultural Services; and L. de Jesus, Recording Clerk. Guest: I. Gallant, Artist for public art at Municipal Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the February 28, 2019, Public Art Advisory Committee meeting agenda be amended by moving Item 7 to be considered immediately following Item 5;

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the January 10, 2019, Public Art Advisory Committee meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

REPORTS / ITEMS

4. Work Plan: Maintenance of Public Art Inventory in 2019 - Discussion

The art piece by Richard Tetrault which was restored and moved to Municipal Hall in 2018 requires signage which will cost \$248. Staff will move forward to purchase. The mural on the chimney of the Music Box, also by Richard Tetrault, is covered in moss and the paint is fading. The PAAC agreed to wait for the Arts Facilities Plan due in June before taking further steps on any maintenance of the piece.

There was discussion regarding the District's policies and procedures in maintaining murals as many municipalities consider outdoor contemporary murals as temporary installations with a lifespan of 10 to 20 years due to weathering and vandalism. The District does not have a policy on outdoor murals in the current Policies and Procedures.

There was discussion regarding the water foundation at the foot of 14th Street which has been deteriorating for some time. Staff to ascertain if this is a public art or a Parks responsibility.

Action: Staff will purchase and install a sign for the Richard Tetrault piece at Municipal Hall.

Staff will look into the maintenance responsibility of the water fountain.

5. Public Art at West Vancouver Community Centre - Discussion

The West Vancouver Community Centre Society (WVCCS) has donated \$100,000 to the District to commission a piece of public art for the West Vancouver Community Centre. The WVCCS has requested that the PAAC and staff lead the project by developing a Call for Entry open to all artists across Canada; create a selection panel including two Directors from the WVCCS; and make any presentations to Council to gain approval to implement the project.

The WVCCS outlined a vision and theme for the piece of public art that reflects the values of the WVCCS. This includes that the piece be engaging, interactive, reflective of community values, inclusiveness, learning and innovation, responsibility and trust.

There was discussion regarding clarity in who has the authority on developing the selection panel and making the final decision on the chosen artist for recommendation to Council.

It was confirmed that once this piece is installed, the asset will belong to the District and be the District's responsibility to maintain. The Cultural Services operating budget has an annual provision for the maintenance of the District's public art inventory.

The PAAC discussed the need to include a requirement of maintenance manuals as part of any future contract with artists engaged to produce public art owned by the District. This will assist in informing the PAAC and the District on the future costs for maintaining assets belonging to the District.

The PAAC also discussed the need for selection panels to include more artists and professionals familiar with public art.

Action: Future Call for Artists to request information on long-term maintenance of submitted proposals.

It was Moved and Seconded:

Resolved that the PAAC recommend to Council that the District of West Vancouver accept a \$100,000 donation from the West Vancouver Community Centre Society to develop a piece of public art at the West Vancouver Community Centre.

CARRIED

Action: Staff will clarify with the WVCCS Executive Director on process and authority for the project.

Staff to bring the current Public Art and Municipal Art Collection Policy and Procedures to the next meeting. PAAC will review current policies and procedures related to selection panels and make any recommended amendments.

6. Public Art at Municipal Hall – Meeting with Artist

Illarion Gallant joined the meeting to discuss PAAC's feedback and possible minor modifications on the submitted proposal for the Municipal Hall piece. The PAAC held a round table discussion with I. Gallant who expressed his openness to suggestions and modifications. I. Gallant to revise the proposal and any budget implications on revisions.

In terms of timeline, it was emphasized again that seismic upgrades are forthcoming on the old Municipal Hall building. Any installations on the plaza between the old and new building will have to wait until work is completed.

Action: I. Gallant to submit updated design for PAAC's review.

7. Other Business

Staff provided an update as to the status of the Reserve Fund. As of December 31, 2018, the balance in the Fund was \$126,434.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

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There were no questions.

9. ADJOURNMENT

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the February 28, 2019, Public Art Advisory Committee meeting (open session) be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Certified Correct:



Co-Chair



Committee Clerk