

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAAC) MEETING MINUTES
MAIN FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM – NORTH, MUNICIPAL HALL
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2019**

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

Staff: D. Niedermayer, Senior Manager, Cultural Services; and L. de Jesus, Recording Clerk.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the December 11, 2019, Public Art Advisory Committee meeting agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the November 20, 2019, Public Art Advisory Committee meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

REPORTS / ITEMS

4. Vancouver Biennale - Presentation

Natalia Lebedinskaia, Sammie Wei and Jessie Saniuk from Vancouver Biennale (Biennale) attended to present an update on the Message in a Bottle proposal for the 2020 Vancouver Biennale initially presented in August.

The fee for the project and timeframe proposed have changed to a two-year term with an option for the District to purchase the piece once the term is over.

The cost was broken down as follows:

- \$125,000 for fabrication (District of West Vancouver's cost)
- Installation (Biennale's cost)
- Landscaping costs not included

The piece will retain its transparency for an estimated 15 years.

Discussions ensued relative to detailed operating and maintenance costs. N. Lebedinskaia confirmed that Biennale will pay for the maintenance during the two-year term and the District of West Vancouver (District) to cover the cost of electricity.

Further discussions ensued with a number of questions the PAAC members had concerning that this would be a direct commission rather than a call for proposals, details regarding installation, maintenance, the artist's CV, list of previous work and references, vision for this project and artist statement, etc.

N. Lebedinskaia confirmed the contract would be between the District and Biennale; not directly with the artist.

A committee member inquired as to details on the responsibility for curating the content. The software to be used will have standard social media filters built in to remove undesirable images. Images would be shown, not text messages. The computer controlling the content would be housed in the Biennale office.

Action: District staff to prepare list of questions from the meeting, circulate to PAAC members for confirmation and then forward to Biennale. Responses to questions to be provided back to the PAAC in writing for further consideration.

5. December 18 Report to Council

PAAC members are invited to attend the Council presentation which will also be available to watch online via the District website. D. Morton will present the PAAC's 2019 highlights and draft 2020 work plan on behalf of the committee.

Action: Staff will circulate the December 18 Council agenda to the PAAC.

6. Public Art at BPP

Councillor N. Gambioli confirmed that Council approved the next phase of BPP equivalent to \$7 million in community amenity contributions. This amounts to approximately \$70,000 to go towards the public art reserve fund.

Action: Staff to obtain related minutes from the Council meetings and circulate to the committee.

7. Potential Meeting with Arts & Culture Advisory Committee in 2020

Staff will coordinate a meeting date between the two committees and confirm.

8. Other Business

The West Vancouver Community Centre (WVCC) Public Art Project call to artists yielded 23 submissions to date.

Action: Staff will set a meeting for the WVCC Selection Panel to review all the submissions.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting is on Wednesday, January 8 at 9 a.m. at Municipal Hall.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

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There were no questions.

11. ADJOURNMENT

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the December 11, 2019, Public Art Advisory Committee meeting (open session) be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

Certified Correct:



Co-Chair



Committee Clerk