

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER  
PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAAC) MEETING MINUTES  
ELECTRONIC MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2021**

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Committee Members: P. Azarm Motamedi; E. Fiss; B. Kaiser; P. Kiss; P. Patkau; R. Penhall; N. von Meyenfeldt; and Councillor S. Thompson. Absent: S. Michener.

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

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m.

It was Moved and Seconded:

WHEREAS the February 5, 2021 Order of the Provincial Health Officer on Gatherings and Events ("order") prohibits members of the public from attending committee meetings in-person until the order is rescinded or replaced;

WHEREAS the District of West Vancouver is required to prohibit in-person attendance at committee meetings pursuant to the order; and

WHEREAS the District of West Vancouver has enabled public participation at committee meetings via electronic means to ensure openness, transparency, accessibility and accountability, including via the use of electronic communication facilities (video-conferencing software) for public participation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the February 10, 2021 Public Art Advisory Committee meeting be held without in-person public attendance.

CARRIED

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the February 10, 2021, Public Art Advisory Committee meeting agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the January 13, 2021, Public Art Advisory Committee meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the October 27, 2020, WVCC Selection Panel Subcommittee meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

## REPORTS / ITEMS

### **4. Selection of Committee Chair or Co-Chairs**

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT by acclamation, Eric Fiss and Peter Kiss are elected Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively, for the Public Art Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

### **5. Review and Approve 2021 Work Plan**

Discussions ensued regarding the committee's mandate and practical courses of action to ensure alignment with the PAAC's Terms of Reference and the District's Arts & Culture Strategy.

**Action:** At a future meeting, include opportunity to:

- develop a long-term plan for public art in West Vancouver including a definition of public art;
- consider an approach to collaborate with other District departments regarding any projects that has or may have public art aspects with annual meetings of senior staff from other Departments including Planning, Engineering, Communications, Parks;
- invite public art staff from other municipalities to learn best practices of public art policies and programs in other jurisdictions;
- meet with District Communications Department to discuss opportunities to use District social media and communications vehicles to increase awareness of public art in West Vancouver; and
- Review current funding models for the District's public art program.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT Public Art Advisory Committee approve the 2021 Work Plan as circulated.

CARRIED

### **6. Horseshoe Bay Park Redevelopment Update**

E. Fiss, R. Penhall, and D. Niedermayer met with Parks staff and PWL Landscape Architects to discuss the plans for the Horseshoe Bay Park Revitalization. There is no funding available for a significant piece of public art as part of this phase of the project so input was on artful elements such as pathways, planters, lighting, etc. E. Fiss and R. Penhall were supportive of the themes and ideas presented at the meeting. They suggested inclusion of Indigenous stories in the navigation/harbour theme and potential relocation of the *Samarinda* 4-bladed propeller in the water fountain. This piece of public art will have to be decommissioned and hopefully relocated. The Public Art and Municipal Art Collection Policy includes a process for deaccessioning public art (Item 8).

Construction is scheduled for summer/fall of this year and takes approximately 12 months. The PAAC can still pursue future opportunities for public art and this may include incidental or freestanding pieces.

**Action:** At a future meeting, determine future of the *Samarinda* piece in collaboration with the Parks Department.

## 7. Horseshoe Bay Local Area Plan

PAAC members were sent the link to the draft plan. Feedback can be sent via the project page or email until February 26.

## 8. Public Art Projects Update

Municipal Hall project: Staff from Cultural Services and Facilities met with artist, I. Gallant, last month to discuss the timeline for installation of the piece. Due to the construction on the plaza of Municipal Hall and public access required for upcoming tax season, it was agreed that installation will take place in August.

Community Centre project: Cultural Services and Enhance West Van staff met with Brent Comber to discuss a media campaign to raise excitement for and document the development of the *Small Worlds* project. Staff is now working with the Communications Department to develop a Communications Plan that will include ongoing updates on the District's website and social media as the project progresses. The piece will be completed and installed this summer.

**Action:** Staff will circulate the social media links to the committee once created.

Marine Drive/Taylor Way project: was delayed due to COVID-19 but will resume in 2021 pending approval of the District's budget.

**Action:** Staff to connect with Planning department to determine how the PAAC can resume involvement to the project.

## 9. Public Art Maintenance Update

The marble sculptures in front of the Silk Purse Arts Centre (*Dialogue*) will be cleaned in March.

**Action:** At a future meeting, the committee to discuss creating a maintenance manual.

Staff to provide more detail on the inclusion of the public art pieces in the District's capital asset management system.

## 10. Next Meeting

The next meeting is on Wednesday, March 10 at 3 p.m.

The meeting dates from April to December are scheduled as follows:

- April 21 at 2 p.m.
- May 19 at 3 p.m.
- June 16 at 3 p.m.
- July 21 at 2 p.m.
- September 15 at 3 p.m.
- October 20 at 3 p.m.
- November 17 at 2 p.m.
- December 14 at 2 p.m.

**11. Other Business**

PAAC was reminded to submit the committee evaluation surveys by March 31.

If the committee wishes to hold a longer strategic planning session in the future, staff can arrange this type of meeting.

E. Fiss offered to meet with new PAAC members to provide a brief history of public art in West Vancouver; the previous work of this committee; the current climate, limitations, and opportunities.

In the future, agendas will be better tailored so that there is enough time to have more in-depth discussions per item.

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

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There were no questions.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the February 10, 2021, Public Art Advisory Committee meeting (open session) be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

Certified Correct:

  
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Chair

  
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Committee Clerk