

Minutes of a Meeting of the Public Art Committee held via Electronic Communications in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Wednesday, March 10, 2021, commencing at 6:00 PM.

Present:

Sharon Heading, Chair
Nabil Malik, Vice Chair
Waverly Muessle
Todd Hillier
Paul Cooke
Krista Balsom, Councillor

Administration:

Deanne Bergey, Director, Community and Protective Services
Sonia Soutter, Acting Chief Legislative Officer, Legislative Services
Caitlin Downie, Supervisor, Neighbourhood & Community Development
Karen Puga, Lead Coordinator, Community and Protective Services
Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, Community and Protective Services
Caitlin Sheaves, Clerk, Legislative Services

1. Call to Order

Chair, Sharon Heading, called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION:

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Waverly Muessle
SECONDER:	Todd Hillier, Safety and Security Sector
FOR:	Malik, Heading, Muessle, Hillier, Cooke

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1. Public Art Committee Meeting - February 26, 2021

MOTION:

THAT the minutes of the Public Art Committee Meeting held on February 26, 2021 be accepted as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Todd Hillier, Safety and Security Sector
SECONDER:	Nabil Malik
FOR:	Malik, Heading, Muessle, Hillier, Cooke

4. New and Unfinished Business

4.1. Regional Public Art Plan Update: Annalee Adair, A. Adair and Associates Ltd.

Annalee Adair, Consultant, A. Adair and Associates Inc., presented the draft Public Art Plan, and provided an overview of the Key Insights, Future Directions and Vision and Purpose. A brief review of the expansion of Public Art Programs was provided, including the Acquisition Program, Indigenous Public Art Advisory Circle, and the proposed Governance Structure.

Further discussion was held regarding the programs funding allocations, it was noted that Administration is working with the Finance Department to determine the appropriate formulas for allocations. Additionally, Committee members also engaged in conversation regarding the Interdepartmental Working Group, Administration advised that they are committed to continually supporting the Working Group and ensuring it is a priority.

4.2. Working Group Updates

Franklin and Main Park:

Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, provided an update on behalf of the Franklin and Main Park Working Group. It was noted that the group discussed the inclusion of functional design elements in this space, specifically enhanced chain link fencing and a Bench Program with the Region's rural communities.

MOTION:

THAT the Public Art Committee rescind the Motion passed at their January 21, 2021 meeting in relation to Franklin and Main Park, and consider;

THAT the Public Art Committee recommend to Council the inclusion of public art elements into Franklin and Main Park through mural(s) and functional design elements with funds of up to \$100,000 coming from the Public Art Reserve, and

THAT the required notice provision be waived in relation to this motion.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Sharon Heading
SECONDER:	Nabil Malik
FOR:	Malik, Heading, Muessle, Hillier, Cooke

igNIGHT:

Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, provided an update on behalf of the igNIGHT Working Group. It was noted that the theme will remain aligned with the "International Year of Fruits and Vegetables". Notable dates for the program were indicated including submission deadlines, installation periods and the igNIGHT exhibition dates which have been set for October 1 to 10, 2021.

4.3. Program Updates**Indigenous Reconciliation Artwork in Council Chambers:**

Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, provided an update on the Indigenous Reconciliation Artwork for Council Chambers. It was advised that invitations have been sent out to the leaders of various communities in the Region, and responses and feedback have been received regarding the Knowledge Keepers and interested artists. It was also noted that the Sharing Circle is moving forward.

Street Banner Program:

Karen Puga, Lead Coordinator, Community and Protective Services, advised that the theme for this program was slated to be "Northern Spirit, Culture and Games" however; due to the recent postponement of the 2022 Alberta Winter Games, Administration is looking to determine a new theme. The Committee suggested alternative concepts and will work with administration to come to a final theme recommendation.

Engagement Moccasin Flats:

Karen Puga, Lead Coordinator, Community and Protective Services provided an update on a motion that was adopted at the December 3, 2020 Council meeting regarding a memorial to recognize the impact of Moccasin Flats. It was noted that the Indigenous and Rural Relations Department will be commencing with stakeholder engagement and reporting back to Council at the April 13, 2021 Council Meeting.

Cultural Infrastructure Request for Proposal:

Karen Puga, Lead Coordinator, Community and Protective Services, advised that the Request for Proposal will be brought forward in the coming weeks.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Chair