

Minutes of a Meeting of the Public Art Committee held via Electronic Communications in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Wednesday, February 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
Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer, Legislative Services
Caitlin Downie, Supervisor, Culture and Social 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 6:03 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION:

THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Paul Cooke
SECONDER:	Todd Hillier
FOR:	Heading, Muessle, Hillier, Cooke
ABSENT:	Malik

3. Consent Agenda

3.1. Public Art Committee Meeting – January 13, 2021

3.2. Public Art Committee Meeting – January 20, 2021

3.3. Public Art Committee Meeting – January 21, 2021

MOTION:

THAT the recommendations contained in items 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 be approved.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Waverly Muessle
SECONDER:	Todd Hillier
FOR:	Heading, Muessle, Hillier, Cooke
ABSENT:	Malik

4. New and Unfinished Business**4.1. Franklin and Main Park Update & Project Plan Discussion**

Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, provided an update on the public art concepts that are to be included in the Franklin and Main Park, noting that Administration is currently working with 818 Studios to infuse the Lease and Plinth Program, Murals and LCD Screens to display digital art.

The Committee briefly discussed the opportunity to form small working groups to collaborate further on ideas surrounding the Lease and Plinth Program, LCD Screens and Murals.

4.2. Regional Public Art Plan Update

Karen Puga, Lead Coordinator, Community and Protective Services, provided an update on the Regional Public Art Plan. It was noted that a draft booklet that includes key priorities and next steps, will be shared with the Committee in the coming weeks. It was also indicated that the updated plan will be circulated amongst various stakeholder groups and is being targeted to be brought forward to Council on April 13, 2021.

4.3. Indigenous Reconciliation Artwork in Council Chamber Update

Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, provided an update noting that Administration met with the Reconciliation Advisory Circle to present the proposed Acquisition Plan. It was noted that further consultations will occur regarding clarification on the parameters and scope of the project prior to advancing.

4.4. igNIGHT Program Overview & Discussion

Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, provided a brief overview of the igNIGHT program, noting that the temporary public art program focuses on illuminated public art pieces created by local, national, and international artists. It was noted that the Committee previously passed a resolution to align the theme of igNIGHT with 'The Year of Fruits and Vegetables'. Additionally, an overview of the 2021 program parameters

was provided, noting that the igNIGHT event will take place from October 1 - 10, 2021 and the location of the event will be isolated to Lions Park.

The Committee discussed various opportunities on how to get the community involved in this event, including students and schools throughout the region, partnerships with local grocery stores or food banks, and collaborations between the participating artists.

Following the update from Administration on the igNIGHT program, the Committee discussed collaborating via email separately on both igNIGHT and the Franklin and Main Park with ideas coming back to Committee at the March meeting. Paul, Sharon and Waverly will be collaborating separately on igNIGHT, with Todd and Nabil discussing Franklin and Main Park.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Chair