

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Public Art Committee held via Electronic Communications on Wednesday, August 12, 2020, commencing at 6:00 PM.**

**Present:**

Sharon Heading, Chair  
Nabil Malik, Vice Chair  
Todd Hillier  
Waverly Muessele  
Krista Balsom, Councillor

**Absent:**

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**Administration:**

Toni Elliott, Senior Manager, Community Services  
Caitlin Downie, Supervisor, Neighbourhood & Community Development  
Karen Puga, Department Administrator, Community Services  
Sonia Soutter, Manager, Senior Legislative Officer, Legislative Services  
Caitlin Sheaves, Clerk, Legislative Services

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Sharon Heading called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**MOTION:**

THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Nabil Malik
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Todd Hillier
<b>FOR:</b>	Hillier, Malik, Heading, Muessele
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Pessi

**3. Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**3.1. Public Art Committee Meeting - July 8, 2020**

THAT the minutes of the Public Art Committee Meeting held on July 8, 2020 be approved as presented.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Waverly Muessle
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Sharon Heading
<b>FOR:</b>	Hillier, Malik, Heading, Muessle
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Pessi

#### **4. Introductions**

##### **4.1. Organizational Restructuring - New Managing Department**

Karen Puga, Department Administrator advised that due to organizational restructuring administration of the Public Art Committee has transitioned to Community Services and welcomed Toni Elliott, Senior Manager, Community Services and Caitlin Downie, Supervisor, Neighborhood and Community Development to the meeting.

#### **5. New and Unfinished Business**

##### **5.1. igNIGHT**

Karen Puga, Department Administrator, noted that based on research conducted, it was confirmed that the igNIGHT event could go ahead for 2020. The Committee reviewed various options for potential dates and themes for the event, as well as ways to keep COVID-19 safety measures in place. It was indicated that putting out an artist call would be an important factor in deciding when and how to move forward with event planning. It was noted that with a number of cancelled community events due to COVID-19, this would be a good opportunity to showcase igNIGHT.

#### **MOTION:**

THAT the Public Art Committee Strike a working group that will liaise with Administration to plan and facilitate an igNIGHT event December 2020 and;

THAT Committee members Sharon Heading, Nabil Malik and Waverly Muessle be assigned to the working group, with the first meeting being scheduled for August 18, 2020

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Sharon Heading
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Todd Hillier, Safety and Security Sector
<b>FOR:</b>	Hillier, Malik, Heading, Muessle
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Pessi

## **5.2. Public Art Plan**

Karen Puga, Department Administrator, provided an update on the Public Art Plan, and indicated that the Art Consultant will be in attendance at the September Public Art Committee Meeting. It was noted that the Communications Department is working on getting the Visual Culture Survey posted on the Municipal website, and the link will be shared with the Committee when it is available.

## **5.3. Research Canadian Public Art Programs**

Nabil Malik, Vice Chair gave a brief overview of Vallea Lumina, an art exhibit in Whistler, BC, which is a multimedia light show that takes visitors on an interactive night hike, telling a story along the way.

## **5.4. Public Art Reserve**

Karen Puga, Department Administrator, indicated that the Public Art Reserve has a current reserve of over \$2.7 Million; however, it was also noted that not all projects have been factored into this number.

Administration also advised that the Art Consultant would assist the Committee develop a five-year plan to aid in identifying such things as key projects, and identifying annual reserve fund expenditures.

## **5.5. Action Log**

Karen Puga, Department Administrator, provided an overview of the action log, advising that they were unable to connect with the Creative Circle regarding the Indigenous art for the Council Chamber. It was also noted that Public Works has advised that, due to acoustic wall paneling, there is currently no space for the Indigenous art in the Council Chamber, and that alternatives would be researched.

## **5.6. Councillor Update**

Councillor Krista Balsom advised that, despite the recent flood, things are moving forward with Downtown and Waterfront Revitalization. Councillor Krista Balsom indicated that it would be ideal if the Public Art Plan was completed in time for the budget presentations to Council in November.

Administration committed to reviewing the Public Art Plan project timelines with the consultant.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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Chair