

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Public Art Committee held via electronic communications in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Wednesday, June 9, 2021, commencing at 6:00 PM.

Present:

Sharon Heading, Chair
Nabil Malik, Vice Chair
Waverly Muessle
Todd Hillier

Absent:

Paul Cooke
Krista Balsom, Councillor

Administration:

Deanne Bergey, Director, Community and Protective Services
Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer
Caitlin Downie, Manager, Community and Protective Services
Isela Contreras-Dogbe, Supervisor, Community and Protective Services
Karen Puga, Lead Coordinator, Community and Protective Services
Theresa Buller, Coordinator, Community and Protective Services
Caitlin Sheaves, Clerk, Legislative Services

1. Call to Order

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

2. Adoption of Agenda

2.1. MOTION:

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

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

3. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

3.1. **Public Art Committee Meeting - May 12, 2021**

THAT the minutes of the Public Art Committee meeting held on May 12, 2021 be accepted as presented.

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

4. **New and Unfinished Business**

4.1. **Program Updates**

Public Art Plan

Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, advised that the Public Art Plan was approved by Council at their May 25, 2021 Council meeting.

Indigenous Artwork in Council Chamber

Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, provided an update on the Indigenous Artwork in Council Chamber, noting there has been a decision made regarding artist selection and once the artist has been informed, the selection can be shared with the Committee. It was further noted that the Department continues to work with the Indigenous Community Partners and Knowledge Keepers.

igNIGHT - Selected Artwork

Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, advised that five artists have been selected, two being local and three from other communities in Alberta.

4.2. **Acquisitions Program - Birchwood Trails Potential Acquisition**

Theresa Buller, Department Administrator, advised that in 2018 the Ptarmigan Ski Club had approached the Public Art Committee to request a piece of artwork for the Birchwood Trails located at Doug Barnes Cabin. It was noted that an existing art piece, Amy Keller Rempp's *Winter Solstice - The Longest Hunt*, which was commissioned for igNIGHT in 2020, is the potential acquisition piece.

Concerns were raised by the Committee with respect to proceeding with direct commission. Administration committed to bringing forward more information at the next regularly scheduled Committee meeting.

4.3. Downtown and Waterfront Revitalization Update

Karen Puga, Lead Coordinator, Community and Protective Services, provided an update on the Downtown and Waterfront Revitalization projects noting that the project managers are interested in working with the Public Art Committee on potential artwork for both locations.

The Committee discussed facilitating a presentation with the internal working groups for both the Downtown and Waterfront Revitalization projects to provide education on public art, and how it can fit into their respective plans.

Action Item:

Administration to reach out to both the Downtown and Waterfront Revitalization working groups to propose a meeting with representatives from the Public Art Committee.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Chair