

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
ARTS & CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
VIA ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION FACILITIES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022**

Committee Members: P. Bowles (Chair), J. Baxter, R. Finley, B. Milley, E. Oram-Killas, K. Rosin, S. Swan, S. Tsangarakis; and Councillor P. Lambur attended the meeting via electronic communication facilities.

Staff: D. Niedermayer, Senior Manager, Cultural Services (Staff Liaison); and L. Gillan, Senior Community Planner, Economic Development, attended the meeting via electronic communication facilities.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m.

2. Election of Chair for 2022

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT P. Bowles be elected as Co-Chair for 2022.

CARRIED

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT S. Tsangarakis be elected as Co-Chair for 2022.

CARRIED

3. Committee Meeting Schedule for 2022

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for 2022 be adopted as follows:

- February 8, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- March 10, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- April 5, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- May 12, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- June 9, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- July 7, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- September 7, 2022 at 1 p.m.
- October 6, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- November 3, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- December 8, 2022 at 3 p.m.

CARRIED

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT

1. all remaining Arts & Culture Advisory Committee meetings, including subcommittee meetings, for 2022 be held via electronic communication facilities only;
2. the Atrium in the Municipal Hall be designated as the place where the public may attend to hear, or watch and hear, the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee and subcommittee meeting proceedings; and
3. a staff member be in attendance at the Atrium in the Municipal Hall for each of the scheduled meetings.

CARRIED

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the January 13, 2022 Arts & Culture Advisory Committee meeting agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the December 16, 2021 Arts & Culture Advisory Committee meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

REPORTS / ITEMS

6. Welcome and Introductions

Chair welcomed the committee members back to the committee for another term.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the discussion regarding Welcome and Introductions be received for information.

CARRIED

7. Committee Orientation

Members were reminded to advise the Chair, Staff Liaison, and Department Secretary if unable to attend a meeting or take a leave of absence if planning to miss more than three consecutive meetings.

Member contact information is confidential and for committee business only.

New members will receive binders with key documents including Committee Terms of Reference, Council Committee Procedure Bylaw, General Council Committees Policy, Privacy Policy, Conflict of Interest Policy, and key reports. If any returning members are missing documents, please advise the Department Secretary.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the discussion regarding Committee Orientation be received for information.

CARRIED

8. Council Liaison Update

There was no new update.

9. Home-Based Business Discussion

Linda Gillan, Senior Community Planner-Economic Development joined the meeting to provide a short presentation on enabling sales from home based artist studios. Planning has been working on proposed changes to zoning bylaws in response to Council's strategic direction to support home based businesses. The changes are also supported in the Official Community Plan (to encourage compatible economic activities and encourage the creation of versatile spaces that support arts and culture sector development). The Arts & Culture Strategy (2018-2023) also supports the expansion of arts and culture opportunities for individual artists with recommended changes to some bylaws.

Planning will propose amendments to sections 130.04 (1)(b) and 130.04 (4)(f) of the Zoning Bylaw to permit the sale of artwork and crafts produced on the same premises and offer retail sales directly from the site.

Members asked a number of questions related to the proposed changes and requested notification of the Council meeting date where the proposed changes will be considered.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the discussion regarding Home-Based Business be received for information.

CARRIED

10. Staff Update

Staff will reach out to the Ambleside Dundarave Business Improvement Association (ADBIA) to request a meeting to discuss opportunities to pilot a street performers program in conjunction with summer events the ADBIA produces or partners with the District to present.

A meeting has been confirmed with Park Royal for February 8th that will be attended by P. Bowles and S. Swan. Park Royal will be launching their own street performer program.

Staff reminded the committee that R. Finley was appointed by Council to represent the committee on the Arts Facilities Advisory Committee. Their first meeting under a new Terms of Reference will be held on January 25th at 2 p.m.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the verbal report regarding Staff Update be received for information.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

11. Public Questions

J. Lord of the West Vancouver Community Arts Council mentioned many small arts organizations are challenged to find funds to rent performance, workshop, or rehearsal space. Staff reminded the committee that the committee had successfully worked with the Community Grants Committee (CGC) to receive Council approval of increased funds for the arts, culture, and heritage sector to pay for rental spaces. These funds were suspended when the pandemic affected the District budget and public performances and rehearsals were suspended. There is an opportunity to reengage with the CGC to go back to Council to reinstate this funding once normal operations are achieved.

NEXT MEETING

12. NEXT MEETING

Staff confirmed that the next Arts & Culture Advisory Committee is scheduled for February 8, 2022 at 3 p.m.

CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the January 13, 2022 Arts & Culture Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Certified Correct:



Chair



Staff Liaison