

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
ARTS & CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
VIA ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION FACILITIES
TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2022**

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

Staff: D. Niedermayer, Senior Manager, Cultural Services (Staff Liaison); and F. Costa, Cultural Services Department Secretary (Committee Clerk) attended the meeting via electronic communication facilities.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the April 5, 2022, Arts & Culture Advisory Committee meeting agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

J. Baxter and S. Swan absent at the vote

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the March 10, 2022 Arts & Culture Advisory Committee meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

J. Baxter and S. Swan absent at the vote

REPORTS / ITEMS

4. Council Liaison Update

There was no report.

S. Swan entered the meeting at 3:12 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

5. Arts Facilities Advisory Committee Update

R. Finley updated the Committee about the Arts Facilities Advisory Committee (AFAC) and informed the Committee that the AFAC 2022 Work Plan was approved by Council on March 28, 2022. The AFAC has also created the Governance Subcommittee and the Capital Funding Subcommittee.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the verbal report regarding Arts Facilities Advisory Committee Update be received for information.

CARRIED

J. Baxter absent at the vote

6. 2022 Work Plan Review

Committee reviewed and discussed the 2022 Work Plan.

Regarding Item 3 of the 2022 Annual Work Plan, the Committee discussed opportunities to: support initiatives that increase awareness of and investment in the sector; encourage collaboration; and engage the community. It was suggested a strategic planning session be scheduled to brainstorm how the Committee can advance this specific work plan item. One suggestion was to align with other community initiatives to promote giving to the cultural sector, such as the Give Where You Live campaign by the West Vancouver Foundation.

Regarding Item 5 of the 2022 Annual Work Plan, a discussion was held about opportunities to hold meetings with key community groups to: clarify the role of the Committee; align on the implementation of the Arts & Culture Strategy (2018-2023); and discuss emerging opportunities to grow the sector.

Regarding Item 6 of the 2022 Annual Work Plan, the Committee discussed opportunities to work with other groups to align priorities and implementation of the Arts & Culture Strategy. It was suggested that meetings be arranged with the Heritage Advisory Committee, Art Museum Advisory Committee, Community Grants Committee, Public Arts Advisory Committee, North Shore Artists' Guild, and West Vancouver Memorial Library.

J. Baxter entered the meeting at 3:25 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT Work Plan 2022 Items 3, 5 and 6 be prioritized for the Committee and Staff be directed to coordinate meetings as discussed.

CARRIED

7. Artist Registry Discussion

K. Rosin connected with Linda Williams of the Coast Cultural Alliance (CCA) (suncoastarts.com). The CCA is a membership-based organization with 350 members and a hub for all arts-related information on the Sunshine Coast. The CCA publishes an art map called the Purple Banner which lists all the artists and artists' teams, events, classes, and art calls. It is funded by grants, membership, and donations from businesses.

The Committee agreed that this is a very interesting model and would be a good opportunity for an organization to umbrella for the North Shore.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the discussion regarding Artist Registry Discussion be received for information.

CARRIED

8. Staff Update

Staff reported on the following:

- The Ferry Building construction has been delayed due to issues with BC Hydro. Expected to open in late June or July. Staff is working to relocate one exhibition to another venue and postponed two others.
- The Harmony Arts Festival and the Bridge Festival planning is fully underway, and the response has been very good with many applications for community programming. The Nowruz event was held in March and the attendance was high.
- The Community Grants Committee has completed adjudications of the 2022 grants. The Arts, Culture & Heritage Subcommittee reviewed 27 grant applications. The funding recommendation will be approved by Council on June 27, 2022.
- There are four public art projects underway, and the Public Arts Advisory Committee has been working to identify some key potential locations for public art in the Ambleside area.

It was Moved and Seconded:

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

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

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There were no questions.

NEXT MEETING

10. NEXT MEETING

Staff confirmed that the next Arts & Culture Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2022 at 3 p.m. It was suggested that the future Strategic Planning session will be conducted in-person to enable robust discussion.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT

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

CARRIED

11. ADJOURNMENT

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the April 5, 2022 Arts & Culture Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Certified Correct:



Chair



Committee Clerk