

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MUSIC BOX
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021**

Committee Members: E. Fiss (Chair), P. Azarm-Motamedi, B. Kaiser, P. Patkau, N. Von Meyenfeldt; and Councillor S. Thompson attended the meeting via electronic communication facilities.

Staff: D. Niedermayer, Senior Manager, Cultural Services; and D. Godfrey, Committee Clerk, attended the meeting via electronic communication facilities.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

It was Moved and Seconded:

WHEREAS the Order of the Provincial Health Officer on Gatherings and Events ("order") prohibits members of the public from attending committee meetings in-person until the order is rescinded or replaced;

WHEREAS the District of West Vancouver is required to prohibit in-person attendance at committee meetings pursuant to the order; and

WHEREAS the District of West Vancouver has enabled public participation at committee meetings via electronic means to ensure openness, transparency, accessibility and accountability, including via the use of live streaming (video and audio) for public viewing, and electronic communication facilities (video-conferencing software) for public participation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the June 16, 2021 Public Arts Advisory Committee meeting be held without in-person public attendance.

CARRIED

P. Patkau absent for the vote

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the June 16, 2021 Public Art Advisory Committee meeting agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

P. Patkau absent for the vote

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the May 19, 2021 Public Art Advisory Committee meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

P. Patkau absent for the vote

REPORTS / ITEMS

P. Patkau and Councillor S. Thompson joined the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

4. Guest Speaker – Lori Phillips, Public Art Officer, City & District of North Vancouver

L. Phillips shared a presentation and spoke to North Vancouver's public art program.

Key points discussed with the committee included:

- Protecting Council's role which is to set high level policy, planning, procedure and budget. It is the role of the expert arms-length Artist Selection Panel to select artists and concept proposals for each project. The Selection Panel's decisions are subsequently supported by the North Vancouver Public Art Advisory Committee and approved by Directors (North Vancouver Recreation and Culture Commission and Planning). Therefore, any selections that create controversy in the community can be dealt with on the committee/staff level rather than by Council;
- Private developer's contributions and the involvement of the North Vancouver Public Art Advisory Committee in the determination of art installations by private developers;
- The involvement of the North Vancouver Public Art Advisory Committee in the Community Development Plan in North Vancouver;
- Historical response of North Vancouver Council to negative public feedback around a public art piece. North Vancouver includes a "managing controversy" section in the Procedures manual;
- Including a procedure in the Procedures manual regarding working with other District departments. While this should be included, it is still the relationships built with people in other departments that helps the most;
- The inclusion of a developer representative on a Public Art Advisory Committee.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the presentation by Lori Philips, Public Art Officer, City and District of North Vancouver be received for information with thanks.

CARRIED

5. Council Liaison Update

Councillor S. Thompson noted the presentation was very informative and she would be sharing the information with Council. She responded to questions from committee members.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT Councillor S. Thompson's report be received for information with thanks.

CARRIED

6. Ambleside Seawalk Public Art Discussion

Discussion was held regarding the memo with draft resolution to Council to develop a plan for the Centennial Seawalk.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT consideration of items 6, 8, and 10 be deferred to the next meeting.

CARRIED

7. Navy Jack Point Park & Weston Park Public Art Next Steps

Committee members discussed convening a subcommittee selection panel to work with staff on advancing the Call for Artists and timeline for the project. Discussion was also held regarding creating two separate calls instead of one, holding back approximately \$10,000 for discretion, contingency or shortlisted honorariums.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT a subcommittee consisting of B. Kaiser, P. Azarm-Motamedi, and P. Patkau be established to work with staff on developing the artist call(s) for Navy Jack Point Park & Weston Park Public Art.

CARRIED

8. Public Art Long Term Strategy Discussion

Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.

9. Public Art Reserve Fund Update

Staff confirmed the current balance of the Public Art Reserve Fund (restricted and unrestricted amounts) which includes the annual \$50,000 allocation from the District's annual budget and Community Amenity Contributions (CACs) allocated to public art.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Public Art Advisory Committee receive the staff report on the balance of the Public Art Reserve Fund for information.

CARRIED

10. Art Mural at Ambleside Peter Sullivan Skatepark

Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

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There were no questions.

12. ADJOURNMENT

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the June 16, 2021 Public Art Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Certified Correct:



Chair



Committee Clerk