



Public Art and Culture Advisory Committee

Minutes

April 8, 2026, 4:00 p.m.

Gallery Room, White Rock Community Centre Council Chambers
15154 Russell Ave, White Rock, BC, V4B 0A6

- PRESENT:** Art Beaulieu, Community Member
Gary Kennedy, Community Member
Marnee Williams, Community Member
Karin Bjerke-Lisle, White Rock Museum & Archives Representative
- COUNCIL:** Councillor Elaine Cheung, Chairperson (non-voting) (left meeting at 5:11 p.m.)
Councillor Anthony Manning, Vice-Chairperson (non-voting)
- ABSENT:** Jim Black, Community Member
Helmut Gruntorad, Semiahmoo Arts Society Representative
Sabine Lapointe, Youth Representative
- STAFF:** Rebecca Forrest, Manager of Cultural Development
Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk
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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion Number: 2026-PACAC-017 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Public Art and Culture Advisory Committee adopts the agenda for the April 8, 2026 meeting as circulated.

Motion CARRIED

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Motion Number: 2026-PACAC-018 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Public Art and Culture Advisory Committee adopts the minutes of the March 11, 2026 meeting as circulated.

Motion CARRIED

4. **STREET BANNERS - ART SELECTION PANEL'S DECISION**

The Manager of Cultural Development provided an overview of the application and selection process for the 2026 Street Banner Program. The Committee reviewed the designs selected by the Art Selection Panel.

The Vice-Chairperson asked whether the White Rock Museum & Archives could sell postcards featuring the selected banner designs. Museum representative K. Bjerke-Lisle advised that this would depend on whether the artists choose to donate their artwork for the museum's use.

Action Item: The Manager of Cultural Development to contact the White Rock Museum and Archives Director to see if they would like to move forward with engaging with the artists, and if so the Manager will extend an invitation.

Motion Number: 2026-PACAC-019 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Public Art and Culture Advisory Committee recommends that Council endorse the 2026 Street Art Banner designs as selected by the Art Selection Panel.

Motion CARRIED

5. **PASSENGER SIGN PLACEMENT**

The Manager of Cultural Development provided an overview of considerations for the placement of new signage for *The Passenger*, the sculpture located in front of the historic White Rock Train Station. Three (3) potential sign locations were presented for the Committee's review. Committee members expressed concern that the sign could obstruct the view of the suitcase, a key element of the sculpture. An alternative option of mounting the sign on the adjacent bench was suggested.

Following discussion, the Committee agreed that the sign should not obstruct any part of the sculpture. Staff will take the feedback forward.

6. CULTURAL CREATORS AND AWARDS DISCUSSION

The Chairperson introduced this item and noted that a project of this scale may be more appropriately considered by the Committee in the future term. A member of the Cultural Corridor Working Group suggested that exploring the potential development of a Cultural Creators and Awards program would align with the group's current work.

Action Item: The Cultural Corridor Working Group will gather information on the potential creation of a Cultural Creators and Awards program to be shared with the incoming Committee in the next term.

7. ARTIST REGISTRY RESOURCE WEBPAGE

The Manager of Cultural Development invited members to email the Committee Clerk links to reputable artist registry sites for inclusion on a new resource page on the City's website. Submissions will be compiled and presented for review in the next meeting's agenda package.

8. WORKING GROUP UPDATES

8.1 Rotary Partnership Working Group

There were no updates available at this time.

8.2 Cultural Corridor Working Group

The Manager of Cultural Development provided a brief update, noting that she has reached out to a few consultants to request quotes for services that would cover the facilitation of a stakeholder workshop, the development of a Cultural Corridor Strategy, as well as preliminary cost modelling.

8.3 Arts Endowment Fund Working Group

The Chairperson provided a brief update, noting that staff will be preparing a report for Council, exploring logistics in consideration of establishing this type of fund for the City.

9. STAFF REPORT

The Manager of Cultural Development provided an update regarding relevant developments and events happening in the Recreation and Culture department.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

None

11. INFORMATION

11.1 COMMITTEE ACTION AND MOTION TRACKING

Corporate Administration provided the action and motion tracking document for information purposes.

12. 2026 MEETING SCHEDULE

The following meeting schedule was previously approved by the Committee and was provided for information purposes:

- May 13, 2026;
- June 10, 2026;
- July 8, 2026; and,
- September 9, 2026.

All meetings are scheduled to take place in the Council Chambers at White Rock Community Centre from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

13. MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC ART AND CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (OPEN SESSION) AND PROCEED TO A CLOSED MEETING

The Public Art and Culture Advisory Committee recessed in order to consider a matter that is Closed to the public, pursuant to the Community Charter Section 90(1)(a).

Motion Number: 2026-PACAC-020 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the meeting of the Public Art and Culture Advisory Committee scheduled for April 8, 2026 be closed pursuant to the Community Charter provision, *Community Charter Section 90(1)(a)*

90 (1) A part of a Council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject a matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

(a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality.

***PURPOSE:* Artists' Expression of Interest Review**

AND THAT the Open Session for the Public Art and Culture Advisory Committee now be concluded.

Motion CARRIED

The Open Session for the meeting was paused at 4:43 p.m.

14. ARTISTS' EXPRESSION OF INTEREST REVIEW

The Chairperson left the meeting at 5:11 p.m.

The Vice-Chairperson assumed the role of Chairperson and reconvened the Open Session for the meeting at 5:12 p.m.

The Committee discussed next steps for the International Yacht Club of BC's Legacy Project, following a review of Expression of Interest submissions.

Action Item: The Manager of Cultural Development to connect with Engineering and Parks staff to investigate the feasibility of a concrete mosaic art installation along the Promenade, as a potential plan for the Yacht Club of BC's Legacy Project.

Action Item: Pending staff feedback regarding feasibility, Working Group members to connect with the Yacht Club to share an update and ensure they support the updated project plan.

15. **CONCLUSION**

The meeting was concluded at 5:13 p.m.



Councillor Cheung, Chairperson

Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk

Unapproved