

Public Art Advisory Committee

Minutes

October 12, 2021, 4:00 p.m. Via Microsoft Teams

PRESENT:	Jim Adams, Community Member
	Barbara Cooper, Community Member
	Yvonne Everson, Community Member
	Gary Kennedy, Community Member
COUNCIL:	Councillor Christopher Trevelyan, Chairperson (non-voting)
ABSENT:	Patti Ghuman, Community Member
	Patryk Stasieczek, Community Member
STAFF:	Eric Stepura, Director of Recreation and Culture
	Elizabeth Keurvorst, Manager of Cultural Development
	Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Number 2021-PAAC-012: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Public Art Advisory Committee amend the October 12, 2021 meeting agenda with the inclusion of:

- On table item, Bryant Park Update, under Item 4: Centre Street Walkway Project Update; and,
- On table Other Business Item 8.1: Public Artist Database Overview.

AND THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

Motion CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion Number 2021-PAAC-013: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Public Art Advisory Committee adopts the minutes of the September 14, 2021 meeting as circulated.

Motion CARRIED

4. CENTRE STREET WALKWAY PROJECT AND BRYANT PARK UPDATES

The Manager of Cultural Development provided an update on the status of the Centre Street Walkway project after it was considered by Council at their October 4, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

It was noted that Council chose Option B (which can be viewed on the October 4, 2021 Regular Council meeting agenda), and they inquired specifically about public art and the possibility of integrating it within this project. It was suggested that this would be an opportunity for the Committee to work with staff on an art plan.

The Manager of Cultural Development also provided an update regarding a potential upgrade for Bryant Park, following her meeting with the Manager of Parks. It was noted that there is the possibility of developing an art plan for the park with a theme of community connection. The Manager of Cultural Development will continue to provide further updates to the Committee as they develop.

Motion Number 2021-PAAC-014: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Public Art Advisory Committee recommends that Council direct staff to work together to develop an art plan for the integration of public art in the Centre Street Walkway project.

Motion CARRIED

5. FINALIZATION OF UPDATED PUBLIC ART AND PLACEMAKING ART POLICY 708

The Manager of Cultural Development led a brief discussion regarding the updated Public Art and Placemaking Art Policy 708. It was noted that no further feedback was brought forward after the September 9, 2021 meeting, and the Committee agreed they were satisfied with the updates.

Motion Number 2021-PAAC-015: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Public Art Advisory Committee endorses the Public Art and Placemaking Art Policy 708.

Motion CARRIED

Motion Number 2021-PAAC-016: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Public Art Advisory Committee recommends that Council approves the updated Public Art and Placemaking Art Policy 708.

Motion CARRIED

6. SCULPTURE WALK UPDATE

The Manager of Cultural Development provided an update regarding the Sculpture Walk project, after meeting with Deanna Pederson and Cindy Poppy from the White Rock Events Society, followed by a roundtable discussion with the Committee.

It was noted that, although this project is like an event, there is definitely a public art component to it. Some concerns were expressed regarding the process by which the planners of this event plan to pay artists or purchase sculptures, as it may not align with current City policies.

7. <u>2021-2022 WORK PLAN</u>

The Manager of Cultural Development facilitated a brainstorming/discussion session with the Committee and populated the Work Plan template with the following priority tasks determined by the group:

- Centre Street Walkway Project Art Plan;
- Street art banners;
- Intersection Art Plan;

- Inventory of civic mural locations;
- Murals on Hoarding Policy;
- Public Art and Placemaking Art Policy;
- Monitor to completion the Monaco Developer Art Project;
- Decorative crosswalks (to mark the Cultural Corridor); and
- Develop a multi-year integrated art plan for the City, including areas to focus on such as the cultural corridor (crosswalks, banners, etc.).

<u>ACTION ITEM</u>: Staff to further populate the Work Plan document and present it to the Committee at the next meeting for their review and approval.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 PUBLIC ARTIST DATABASE OVERVIEW

The Manager of Cultural Development provided an overview of the Public Artist Database, which was created by the Semiahmoo Arts Society with funding from the City. It was noted that the online form can be accessed on the City's Arts and Culture webpage, and Committee members were asked to encourage any local artists they know, who work in the public realm, to visit the City's website and input their information. The database will stay online for ongoing input and be accessed as needed for public art calls.

8.2 WHALING WALL STATUS DISCUSSION

A Committee member inquired about how we might save the Whaling Wall since the building it is located on has been purchased by a new owner, which led to a discussion amongst the Committee.

It was noted that the City currently has no plans in front of them for the destruction of this building, but it will be dependent on the property holding group that has purchased the building and what they decide to do with the building going forward.

<u>ACTION ITEM</u>: Committee to include a statement regarding the important significance of the Whaling Wall to the White Rock community in the development of their multi-year integrated art plan.

8.3 PROCEDURE FOR USED STREET ART BANNERS

The Chairperson inquired about whether the City has a policy regarding what happens to street art banners that are still in decent shape when they come down. It was noted that the City does not currently have a policy regarding this process.

The Committee engaged in a roundtable discussion about this idea and decided to include it within the street art banner item on their Work Plan, revising the item to be "Street art banner and re-use plan."

9. INFORMATION

9.1 COMMITTEE ACTION TRACKING

Corporate Administration provided the action and motion tracking document to the Committee for information. This document is updated after each meeting and provided to members for information.

10. 2021 MEETING SCHEDULE

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

• November 9, 2021.

All meetings are scheduled to take place from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

11. <u>CONCLUSION OF THE OCTOBER 12, 2021 PUBLIC ART ADVISORY</u> <u>COMMITTEE MEETING</u>

The Chairperson declared the meeting concluded at 5:46 p.m.

Councillor Trevelyan, Chairperson

Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk