



## **Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee**

### **Minutes**

May 12, 2022, 4:00 p.m.

Via Microsoft Teams

PRESENT:	Jim Adams, Community Member Elaine Cheung, Community Member Denice Thompson, Community Member
NON-VOTING MEMBERS:	Karin Bjerke-Lisle, White Rock Museum & Archives
COUNCIL:	Mayor Walker (non-voting) Councillor Manning, Chairperson (non-voting)
ABSENT:	Louise Taylor, Community Member
STAFF:	Eric Stepura, Director of Recreation and Culture Elizabeth Keurvorst, Manager of Cultural Development Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk

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#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m.

#### **2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion Number 2022-ACAC-011:** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee adopts the agenda for the May 12, 2022 meeting as circulated.

**Motion CARRIED**

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Motion Number 2022-ACAC-012:** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee adopts the minutes of the April 14, 2022 meeting as circulated.

**Motion CARRIED**

4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM ACTION AND MOTION TRACKING DOCUMENT**

The Director of Recreation and Culture provided an update regarding the Committee's three (3) recent recommendations that were endorsed by Council at their April 25, 2022 meeting.

Committee members, E. Cheung and D. Thompson, were selected as the Committee's representatives for the upcoming multi-Committee workshop for the creation of a report around placemaking in the City.

**ACTION ITEM:** Committee Clerk to canvas Committee Chairpersons, staff liaisons and selected Committee representatives from the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee, Public Art Advisory Committee, and Economic Development Advisory Committee to determine a date for the upcoming multi-Committee placemaking workshop.

Regarding the White Rock Promenade Sculptures Competition, the Chairperson noted that the Call to Sculptors has gone out, so he encouraged Committee members or members of the public to advise any sculptors they know in case they are interested in applying.

5. **PUBLIC ART DISPLAYS IN VACANT STOREFRONTS**

Following Council's endorsement during the April 25, 2022 Regular Council meeting, the Committee discussed plans for preparing a report, in collaboration with the White Rock Business Improvement Association (BIA), informing of the benefits of allowing vacant storefronts to be used to display artwork from local artists, with the intention of presenting this report to local commercial business owners.

**ACTION ITEM:** Committee member, E. Cheung, to begin designing a PowerPoint presentation for the Vacant Storefront Public Art Displays report.

The Director of Recreation and Culture shared feedback around this topic that was provided during discussion with the Public Art Advisory Committee at their May 10, 2022 meeting.

**6. DISCUSSION AROUND ART TOURS OF LOCAL ARTISTS' HOMES**

The Chairperson led the Committee in a roundtable discussion, at which time members shared their feedback regarding a recent Crescent Beach artists' walk event and discussed ideas around planning more City events of this type.

**ACTION ITEM:** Mayor Walker to obtain relevant information about an upcoming artists' walk event that a friend of his is involved in and share this information with the Committee's Chairperson or staff liaison.

**ACTION ITEM:** Committee member, J. Adams, to contact Bayview Arts Collective, the organizers of the recent Crescent Beach artists' walk event, to obtain information around what inspired them, how they organized their event, what challenges they faced, etc., and to bring this information forward for discussion during the next meeting.

**ACTION ITEM:** Committee member, E. Cheung, to contact the organizers of the South Rock Art Tour to obtain information about their upcoming artists' walk event, and to bring gathered information forward to the upcoming multi-Committee workshop.

**ACTION ITEM:** The Director of Recreation and Culture to connect with his neighbour, who hosts an annual garden party showcasing local artists' work, and to share any helpful information with the Committee at their next meeting.

The Manager of Cultural Development noted that the City does not currently have any guidelines, or a framework, in place for residents and/or organizations interested in applying to facilitate community block party style, pop-up events.

**Motion Number 2022-ACAC-013:** It was MOVED and SECONDED

**THAT the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee includes a discussion around establishing a framework and guidelines for residents and/or organizations who are interested in facilitating block party style, pop-up community events in the City as an agenda item for their next meeting.**

**Motion CARRIED**

**7. MULTI-COMMITTEE DISCUSSION WORKSHOP FOR THE CREATION OF A CITY PLACEMAKING REPORT**

The Manager of Cultural Development informed the Committee that planning for this workshop is underway. Following the appointment of two (2) representatives from the Economic Development Advisory Committee, after their May 18, 2022 meeting, the Committee Clerk will move forward with setting up a date.

A Committee member inquired about the possibilities around fundraising for initiatives that may be suggested during this upcoming multi-Committee workshop, in cases when the City does not have the required budget to fund proposed initiatives on its own. A roundtable discussion followed.

**ACTION ITEM:** The Director of Recreation and Culture to look into whether the Peninsula Community Foundation is still up and running and, if so, whether it has a component for providing funding for the arts.

**Motion Number 2022-ACAC-014:** It was MOVED and SECONDED

**THAT the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee recommends that Council endorse the Committee establishing their 2021-2022 Work Plan item 1.3.1, *“Explore the options for creating an Arts Endowment Fund,”* as their top priority going forward.**

**Motion CARRIED**

**8. 2021-2022 WORK PLAN UPDATE**

The Chairperson introduced this item and asked the Committee if they had any comments or questions.

A Committee member raised the topic of the City’s marketing and tourism promotion processes, in relation to multiple priority items on the 2021-2022 Work Plan. A roundtable discussion followed.

**9. OTHER BUSINESS**

The Manager of Cultural Development provided an update and highlights to the Committee regarding a recent lunch meeting that she attended with Mayor Walker, the Director of Recreation and Culture, the Manager of Communications and Government Relations, and representatives from the Semiahmoo First

Nation (SFN), Chief Harley Chappell, Councillor Joanne Charles, Councillor Jennine Cook, along with their Communications representatives.

Following this update, the Committee engaged in a roundtable discussion, during which time Mayor Walker and the Director of Recreation and Culture shared their highlights from the meeting as well.

**10. INFORMATION**

None

**11. 2022 MEETING SCHEDULE**

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

- June 9, 2022;
- July 14, 2022; and,
- September 8, 2022.


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

**12. CONCLUSION OF THE MAY 12, 2022 ARTS AND CULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Chairperson declared the meeting concluded at 5:30 p.m.

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Councillor Manning, Chairperson



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Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk