



PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, November 6, 2014 – 5:00 p.m.
Committee Room No. 2
City Hall

NOTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lynne Probyn	- Acting Chair, Community Member at Large
Jacqueline Dionne	- Arts Commission Representative
Ted Drabyk	- Community Member
Mariane Kazemir	- Community Member
Peter Lojewski	- Community Member
Carolyn McLaughlin	- Artist of Recognized Standing

MEMBERS REGRETS:

Laura Moodie, Chair	- Arts Professional
Laura Cuthbert	- Community Member
Christopher Dawson-Murphy	- Community Member
Gabriela Diaconu	- Artist of Recognized Standing
Councillor Bill Harper	- Council Representative
Eric Pattison	- Urban Designer

STAFF PRESENT:

Rob McCullough	- Manager, Cultural Services
Sloane Elphinstone	- Recreation Programmer
Biliana Velkova	- Arts Coordinator
Lauren Blake	- Committee Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m.

1.0 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions.

2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of the September 4, 2014 Minutes

Due to the absence of quorum, this item was tabled to the December 5, 2014 meeting.

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

There were no items.

4.0 NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Traffic Control Cabinets and Solar Recycle Cabinets – Vinyl Wraps

Sloane Elphinstone, Recreation Programmer, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Traffic Control Cabinets and Solar Recycle Cabinets – Vinyl Wraps project, noting that the boxes would be wrapped in spring 2015. Ms. Elphinstone advised that a volunteer would be required to collect images, as well as be able to provide coaching to the public with respect to taking and submitting high resolution photos.

Discussion ensued and the Committee noted the following comments:

- Some of the boxes could feature images of artwork from art societies that operate in New Westminster;
- A dedicated Gmail account be created for submissions for the project; and,
- Different themes could be introduced for boxes.

Ted Drabyk, Committee Member, volunteered to collect images for the project. The following individuals volunteered to be on the selection committee:

- Carolyn McLaughlin
- Peter Lojewski
- Lynne Probyn
- Marianne Kazemir

4.2 SkyTrain Temporary Public Art Initiative Update

Biliana Velkova, Arts Coordinator, advised that TransLink will proceed with the temporary public art initiative at New Westminster SkyTrain station, noting that the project will commence in Spring 2015. The Public Art Advisory Committee will select a Committee volunteer for the project in the new year, and the volunteer will work with TransLink staff on the project.

The Committee requested that Debra Rolfe, TransLink, attend the January 2015 PAAC meeting to provide additional information regarding the project.

4.3 New Westminster Community Development Society Public Art Call Draft

Biliana Velkova, Arts Coordinator, summarized the on-table document regarding the New Westminster Community Development Society Public Art Call Draft and noted the following information:

- The call for artists must be advertised within the current fiscal year;
- The installation must be able to be appreciated from a distance, as well as from an aerial point of view;
- There must be an 18 inch clearance on each side of the median;
- The Engineering department has expressed concerns regarding traffic sightlines, specifically with respect to the westbound merge lane, and the eastbound left-hand turn lane; and,
- It is unclear how far into the ground the installation can be anchored due to the BC Electric tracks located underneath the site.

Ms. Velkova advised that a report will be distributed to the Committee regarding the Engineering department's concerns with respect to the installation.

Discussion ensued and the Committee noted the following comments:

- It was suggested that the call include a reference to the heritage of New Westminster and Columbia Street;
- Concerns were expressed regarding truck traffic near the median;
- It was suggested that the call state the permitted maximum that the installation could be;
- It was suggested that the call advise that the installation would be subject to engineer review, as well as additional conditions; and,
- Concerns were expressed regarding snow build-up on the median.

The Committee suggested that the call include a deadline for submissions of March 31, 2015.

5.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no items.

6.0 REPORTS

There were no items.

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items.

8.0 NEXT MEETING

December 4, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in Committee Room #2

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Certified Correct,

**LYNNE PROBYN
ACTING CHAIR**

**LAUREN BLAKE
COMMITTEE CLERK**