



Meeting of the North Vancouver Recreation & Culture Commission

Thursday, May 18, 2017, 7:00 pm

**Oak Room – Delbrook Community Centre
851 West Queens Road, North Vancouver**

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Commissioner Doug Green
Commissioner James Heth
Commissioner Cheryl Leia
Commissioner Rod Clark
Commissioner Lisa Muri
Commissioner Allison Rzen
Commissioner Mathew Bond
Commissioner Holly Back

Staff: Heather Turner, Director of Recreation & Culture
Cathy Matheson, Manager, Marketing & Administration Services
Jennifer Wilson, Manager, Recreation & Culture Services
Gary Houg, Manager, Maintenance & Engineering Services
John Rice, Cultural Services Officer
Karen Bickford, Financial Controller
Preston Corrigan, IT Section Manager
Veronica Labrosse, Executive Assistant

Regrets: Commissioner David Porter
Commissioner Darren Woodworth
Commissioner Franci Stratton

I. Call to Order

Chair Green called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

II. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Leia; **seconded** by Commissioner Muri

THAT the meeting agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried

III. Adoption of the Minutes of the Last Meeting

Moved by Commissioner Muri; **seconded** by Commission Leia

THAT the minutes of the meeting of March 30, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

IV. Presentation: Update on the Harry Jerome Community Recreation Centre Project

Director Turner introduced Barbara Pearce, Director of Strategic Initiatives & Services, City of North Vancouver. B Pearce presented the update.

Chair Green thanked B. Pearce for her presentation and invited questions from Commissioners. B. Pearce and Director Turner answered questions from the Commissioners and provided information on next steps.

V. Chair's Remarks

Chair Green spoke of his attendance at the 2017 BCRPA Symposium held in Kelowna in April. He commented on the excellent presentations as well as the vast networking opportunities with people from around the province and NVRC staff. He provided details on the sessions he attended and mentioned that he has presentation materials available if Commissioners are interested in reviewing them.

Chair Green added that next year's symposium will be held in Vancouver and highly recommended Commissioner attendance.

VI. Director's Report

Director Turner highlighted items in the report. She thanked Gary Houg, Manager of Maintenance & Engineering Services, for his dedication towards the success of the new Delbrook Community Recreation Centre and spoke to the value of benefitting from his knowledge as a professional engineer throughout the transition process.

Director Turner mentioned the Opening Event on June 24 and stated that Commissioners would be receiving additional information on the event.

VII. Items for Information

a) Parks and Recreation Management System (PRMS) Master Agreement

Director Turner stated that Preston Corrigan, IT Section Manager, was present to answer questions.

P. Corrigan provided background information on the collaborative process; Director Turner added that he was one of the leaders in the process and that he

has ensured the NVRC's needs have been well-met. Director Turner thanked P. Corrigan for his diligent work.

Director Turner informed the Commission that since the School District uses CLASS software for their bookings, the NVRC has ensured that the new system can handle bookings of schools. P. Corrigan confirmed that there is a clause in the agreement that would allow the School District to join the collective.

Chair Green thanked P. Corrigan for his report.

b) Report and Presentation to District Council: New Delbrook Community Recreation Centre Update

Director Turner spoke to the information included in the agenda package.

VIII. Items for Discussion/Decision

a) 2018 and 2019 Fees and Charges

Director Turner presented the report and stated that a second report will be presented at the June Commission Meeting with the fees and charges related to Centennial Theatre, filming and parking. Director Turner asked Cathy Matheson, Manager of Marketing & Administration Services, to speak to the report.

C. Matheson reviewed the report and answered questions from Commissioners related to the 2% fee increase. Director Turner provided additional information and thanked C. Matheson for her report.

Moved by Commissioner Muri; **seconded** by Commissioner Leia

THAT the Commission approves the 2018 and 2019 Fees and Charges effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019.

Carried

b) 2017 Arts & Culture Grants – Operating Assistance Appeals

Director Turner informed the Commissioners that two appeals were received following the grant recommendations approved at the last Commission Meeting.

Director Turner highlighted that the Arts & Culture Grants Review Committee and Appeal Committee spent several hours reviewing and considering the appeals in accordance with the policy that is in place.

Director Turner advised the Commissioners that during the appeal reviews, staff had cause to question the appropriateness of the current grant process for North Vancouver Community Arts Council (NVCAC) and would like to proceed with a consideration of a different model for the future (e.g. a partnership agreement).

Director Turner stated that the following motions are being proposed with the greatest respect for the Appeal Committee's recommendations. She added that

Commissioner Leia and John Rice, Cultural Services Officer, were present at the Appeals Committee meeting and could answer specific questions

Chair Green presented the first motion for deliberation.

Moved by Commissioner Bond; **seconded** by Commissioner Muri

THAT the Commission receive the recommendations of the Arts & Culture Grants Appeal Committee regarding appeals submitted by Lions Gate Sinfonia and the North Vancouver Community Arts Council.

Carried

Chair Green presented the second motion for deliberation.

Moved by Commissioner Leia; **seconded** by Commissioner Rzen

THAT the Commission approve the recommendation of the Arts & Culture Grants Appeal Committee to increase the 2017 grant to Lions Gate Sinfonia by \$10,000.

Carried

Chair Green presented the third motion for deliberation.

Moved by Commissioner Leia; **seconded** by Commissioner Muri

THAT the Commission direct staff to research alternative models of partnership and funding support to the North Vancouver Community Arts Council.

Carried

Chair Green presented the fourth motion for deliberation. Commissioner Clark requested that the votes be recorded.

Moved by Commissioner Rzen; **seconded** by Commissioner Clark

THAT the Commission concur with the recommendation of the Arts & Culture Grants Appeal Committee and maintain the 2017 grant award to the North Vancouver Community Arts Council at \$185,000, as approved in March 2017.

Defeated

The motion was defeated with Commissioners Heth, Rzen and Clark voting in favour, and Commissioners Muri, Bond, Leia and Back voting against. The Chair abstained from voting.

Chair Green presented the fifth motion for deliberation. Commissioner Clark requested that the votes be recorded.

Moved by Commissioner Muri; **seconded** by Commissioner Back

THAT the Commission increase the 2017 grant to the North Vancouver Community Arts Council by \$22,000 to a total of \$207,000 reflecting the level of funding approved in 2016.

Carried

The motion was carried with Commissioners Muri, Back, Leia and Bond voting in favour, and Commissioners Rzen, Heth and Clark voting against. The Chair abstained from voting.

Director Turner informed the Commissioners that the concerns raised by the Arts & Culture Grants Review Committee will be communicated to the applicants, that staff will ensure appropriate follow-up and that the appeals process will be reviewed.

c) 2017 Arts & Culture Grants: Final Intake

Moved by Commissioner Muri; **seconded** by Commissioner Leia

THAT the Commission approve Arts & Culture grants as outlined:

- 1) grants totaling \$69,000 to support the programming, new and/or one-time projects of eleven arts groups;
- 2) grants totaling \$66,500 to support the production and promotion of four community events, two large-scale cultural celebrations and two major arts festivals;
- 3) grants totaling \$22,000 to support three civic events;
- 4) grants totaling \$15,000 to support two community public art projects in the City of North Vancouver and a grant of \$7,000 to support one project in the District of North Vancouver.

Carried

IX. Committee and Liaison Reports

No reports.

X. Other Business

a) North Shore Sports Hall of Fame

Chair Green spoke to the handout relating to the North Shore Sports Hall of Fame that was distributed to the Commissioners and requested support from the Commission to approach City and District Councils with a proposal.

Chair Green answered questions from the other Commissioners.

Moved by Commissioner Muri; **seconded** by Commissioner Leia

THAT the Commission support the re-establishment of a North Shore Sports Hall of Fame;

AND THAT the Commission recommend that the North Shore Sports Hall of Fame Committee appear before City and District Councils with a proposal;

AND THAT the North Shore Sports Hall of Fame Committee request support of from the District of West Vancouver.

Carried

XI. Next Meeting

The next Commission Meeting will be held **Thursday, June 22, 2017 with a 5:00 pm start time.**

XII. Adjournment

Moved by Commissioner Muri; **seconded** by Commissioner Leia

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:42 pm.


Carried

Approved:

Recorded by:



Doug Green, Chair



Veronica Labrosse, Executive Assistant

January 18, 2018 (amended minutes
Date approved at January 18 meeting)