

# **Virtual Meeting of the North Vancouver Recreation & Culture Commission**

# Thursday, November 18, 2021, 6:30 pm

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Attendees: Commissioner Franci Stratton (Chair)

Commissioner Herman Mah (Vice-Chair)

Commissioner Mary Carmichael Commissioner Betty Forbes Commissioner Angela Girard Commissioner John Moore Commissioner Lisa Muri Commissioner Kate Smyth Commissioner Dave Wilson

Staff:

Heather Turner, Director of Recreation & Culture

Jennifer Wilson, Manager, Recreation & Culture Services Howard Kiang, Manager, Maintenance & Engineering Services

Karen Bickford, Manager, Finance

Anne Rodgers, Manager, Communications, Marketing & Special Initiatives

Jennifer Wu, Financial Services Officer Kimberly Fong, Financial Services Officer Karen Pighin, Cultural Services Supervisor Veronica Labrosse, Executive Assistant

Regrets:

Commissioner Holly Back Commissioner Linda Munro

## I. Call to Order - Indigenous Land Acknowledgment

Chair Stratton called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm.

## II. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Muri; seconded by Commissioner Girard

**THAT** the agenda be approved as circulated.

Carried

### III. Adoption of the Minutes of the Last Meeting

Moved by Commissioner Muri; seconded by Commissioner Girard

**THAT** the minutes of the September 16, 2021 meeting be adopted.

Carried

## IV. Director's Report

Director Turner introduced Anne Rodgers, Manager, Communications, Marketing & Special Initiatives, and Karen Pighin, Cultural Services Officer, and provided highlights of the report. A. Rodgers presented a new recruitment video and spoke to current recruitment strategies.

Director Turner answered Commissioner questions.

### V. Items for Information

a) Corporate Sponsorship of NVRC's Arts & Culture Events

Director Turner spoke to the report.

Moved by Commissioner Mah; seconded by Commissioner Carmichael

**THAT** the report be received for information.

Carried

# VI. Items for Discussion/Decision

a) Arts & Culture Operating Assistance Grant Extensions

Director Turner spoke to report and invited Jennifer Wilson, Manager, Recreation & Culture Services, and K. Pighin to provide clarification as needed.

Moved by Commissioner Moore; seconded by Commissioner Mah

**THAT** the Commission approve a one-year extension to the Operating Assistance funding (adjusted by 2% for inflation) to North Vancouver Arts Council (North Van Arts) and BC Photography & Media Arts Society (the Polygon Gallery).

Carried

b) Appointments to the Arts & Culture Grant Review Committee

K. Pighin thanked the outgoing Committee members noting she was very grateful for their contribution.

Moved by Commissioner Moore; seconded by Commissioner Mah

**THAT** the Commission appoint Jennifer Breckon and Peter Zednik to the Arts & Culture Grants Review Committee.

Carried

- c) Reports from the Finance Committee of the Whole:
  - i. 2022 Provisional Operating Budget Submission

Moved by Commissioner Mah; seconded by Commissioner Smyth

**THAT** the 2022 Provisional Operating Budget as outlined in Appendix 1 be approved for submission to the City and District of North Vancouver.

Carried

ii. Capital Plan 2022 and Capital Financial Model 2022-2031

Moved by Commissioner Carmichael; seconded by Commissioner Mah

- 1. **THAT** the NVRC-City Capital Plan 2022 Funding Requests, in the amount of \$870,822, be approved by the Commission and recommended to City Council for approval (Appendix A);
- 2. **THAT** the NVRC-District Capital Plan 2022 Funding Requests, in the amount of \$2,105,000, be approved by the Commission and recommended to District Council for approval (Appendix B);
- 3. **THAT** the NVRC-City Capital Financial Model 2022-2031 be approved by the Commission and recommended to City Council for approval (Appendix C); and
- 4. **THAT** the NVRC-District Capital Financial Model 2022-2031 be approved by the Commission and recommended to District Council for approval (Appendix D).

Carried

#### VII. Other Business

a) Report from School District #44

Chair Stratton shared two items:

- Brad Baker is moving from School District #44 to the Ministry of Education as of December
- Mark Pearmain will be moving to the Surrey School District as of March 2022

Following a Commissioner question, Chair Stratton provided details on the meeting between the Commissioners and School Board to be rescheduled for early 2022. She will work with Director Turner on the planning.

# b) Decision regarding the Commission Holiday Reception

Director Turner shared that following a conversation with the Chair, it was decided to not hold an in-person reception this year.

A suggestion was that a tour of the new Lions Gate Community Recreation Centre in the new year could be followed by a social gathering for the Commissioners.

### c) 2022 Meetings

Director Turner spoke to a conversation with the Chair around what will prompt the Commission to restart in-person meetings, in line with applicable Ministerial Orders. In consultation with the Chair, Director Turner will keep this under review.

## **VIII. Next Meeting**

The next Commission Meeting is tentatively scheduled for either Thursday, January 20 or January 27, 2022 at 5:30 pm. The Commissioners will be canvassed on their availability.

# IX. Adjournment

Date

**Moved** by Commissioner Smyth; **seconded** by Commissioner Mah

**THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 7:46 pm.

**Carried** 

Approved:	Recorded by:
Franci Stratton, Chair	Veronica Labrosse, Executive Assistant
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