



Meeting of the North Vancouver Recreation & Culture Commission

Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 11:00 am

Via Teams

MEETING MINUTES

Commissioners in attendance: Councillor Lisa Muri, DNV (Chair)
Councillor Holly Back, CNV
Mayor Mike Little, DNV
Dr. Leanne McCarthy, CNV CAO
David Stuart, DNV CAO
Heather Turner, Director of Recreation & Culture

Regrets: Mayor Linda Buchanan, CNV (Vice-Chair)

Staff: Janet Rerecich, NVRC
Jennifer Wilson, NVRC
Rhonda Schell, DNV
Adam Vasilevich, DNV
Derek Priestley, CNV
Kaitlin Hebron, DNV
Jillian Holden, DNV

Guests: Glen D'Mello, Arts and Culture Grants Review
Committee

I. Call to Order – Indigenous Acknowledgment

Commissioner Muri called the meeting to order at 11:00 am and provided the following Indigenous Acknowledgement:

- "On behalf of the Commissioners and those present, I express my gratitude to the Squamish Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation, and we appreciate the opportunity to learn, live and share experiences on these traditional and unceded territories. North Vancouver Recreation & Culture is committed to building relationships with First Nation communities and this acknowledgement is one small step in honoring their culture, history and stewardship of the land."

II. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Back; **seconded** by Commissioner Little

THAT the meeting agenda be approved as circulated.

Carried

III. Adoption of the Minutes of the Last Meeting

Moved by Commissioner Back; **seconded** by Commissioner Little

THAT the minutes of the March 10, 2025 meeting be adopted.

Carried

IV. 2025 Arts and Culture Operating Assistance Grants

Jennifer Wilson introduced the report along with Glen D'Mello, a member of the Arts and Culture Grants Review Committee.

Moved by Commissioner Muri; **seconded** by Commissioner Little

THAT the Commission approve three-year Operating Assistance grants to North Shore Celtic Ensemble in the amount of \$30,000 in 2025 plus anticipated increases of 2% for inflation in each of 2026 and 2027; and

THAT the Commission approve three-year Operating Assistance grants to the Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival Society in the amount of \$37,000 in 2025, plus anticipated increases of 2% for inflation in each of 2026 and 2027.

Carried

V. Director's Update

Commissioner Turner spoke to items in the report and the following additional items:

- The employee survey results have been shared with all staff and focus groups set up to provide other opportunities for engagement. The themes and response plan will be shared with the Commission;
- Centennial theatre utilization increases and the planned review of the role and focus of the theatre in future;
- The opening of the new Lynn Creek Community Recreation Centre and the option for any Commissioner to see the centre if desired;
- The planned addition of more concerts in the summer of 2025; and,
- The Arts Forum held on April 1, 2025 which brought arts organizations together and included well received sessions.

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

THAT the North Vancouver Recreation & Culture Commission (NVRC) receive the Director's update report dated April 15, 2025 for information.

Carried

VI. Outdoor Amenity Fees Framework, Allocation Policies Review and Sport Governance/Advisory System Review

Jennifer Wilson introduced the report and noted that both Councils received an update in November 2024 on this project. This project includes a number of elements which were outlined. Further reports will be presented to the Commission later in 2025.

Moved by Commissioner Little; **seconded** by Commissioner Back

THAT the North Vancouver Recreation & Culture Commission (NVRC) receive the report "Outdoor Amenity Fees Framework, Allocation Policies Review and Sport Governance/Advisory System Review" dated April 15, 2025 for information.

Carried

VII. Next Meetings

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 27 2025 at 11:00 am.

VIII. Adjournment

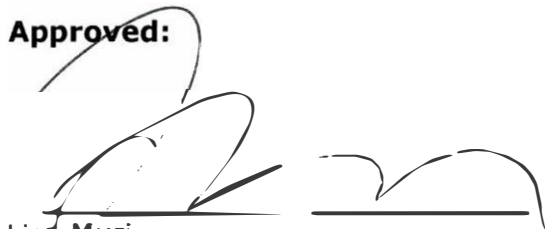
Moved by Commissioner Muri; **seconded** by Commissioner Little

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The regular meeting was adjourned at 11:37 am.

Approved:



Lisa Muri
Chair

Recorded by:



Kaitlin Hebron
Confidential Council Clerk