



## Meeting of the North Vancouver Recreation & Culture Commission

Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 4:30 pm

Via Teams

### MEETING MINUTES

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Commissioners in attendance:	Councillor Lisa Muri, DNV (Chair) Mayor Linda Buchanan, CNV (Vice-Chair) Councillor Angela Girard, CNV Mayor Mike Little, DNV David Stuart, DNV CAO Heather Turner, Director of Recreation & Culture
Regrets:	Dr. Leanne McCarthy, CNV CAO
Staff:	Mike Hunter, Deputy Director Howard Kiang, Manager of Maintenance & Engineering Karen Pighin, Cultural Services Supervisor Pamela Rooke, Manager of Finance Jennifer Wilson, Manager of Strategic Initiatives Veronica Labrosse, Executive Assistant

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#### I. Call to Order – Indigenous Acknowledgment

Chair Muri called the meeting to order at 4:34 pm 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 Girard; **seconded** by Commissioner Buchanan

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

**Carried**

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

**Moved** by Commissioner Girard; **seconded** by Commissioner Buchanan

**THAT** the minutes of the October 24, 2024 meeting be adopted.

**Carried**

### **IV. 2025 Arts & Culture Grants - Early Intake**

Commissioner Turner introduced the report and Karen Pighin, Culture Services Supervisor, was in attendance to answer questions.

**Moved** by Commissioner Stuart; **seconded** by Commissioner Turner

**THAT** the Commission approve Arts & Culture grants in the amount of \$124,650 as set out below:

• TheaTERRA Productions Society:	\$NIL
• Dance//Novella Arts Society:	\$4,000
• Ruby Slippers Theatre:	\$3,500
• Time Will Tell Arts Society:	\$3,500
• Vancouver Inter-Cultural Orchestra Society:	\$2,500
• Griffin Art Projects Society:	\$15,000
• Lamondance Arts Society:	\$18,000
• Vancouver Chamber Music Society:	\$7,500
• The Gordon and Marion Smith Foundation for Young Artists:	\$15,000
• Lions Gate Sinfonia Society:	\$7,500
• The Blueridge Community Association:	\$2,500
• Hong Kong House Cultural Society:	\$8,000
• Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival Society:	\$8,000
• The Blueshore Financial Centre for the Performing Arts:	\$11,000
• North Shore Celtic Ensemble:	\$3,650
• Lions Gate Hospital Foundation:	\$15,000

**Carried**

### **V. 2025 Provisional Operating Budget Submission**

Commissioner Turner provided an introduction to the report and spoke to the collaborative process with City and District Finance staff. Pamela Rooke, Manager of Finance, was in attendance to answer questions.

**Moved** by Commissioner Girard; **seconded** by Commissioner Buchanan

**THAT** the 2025 Provisional Operating Budget Submission as outlined in Appendix 1 be approved by the Commission and recommended to the City and District.

**Carried**

At this time, Commissioner Little joined the meeting.

## **VI. Capital Plan 2025 and Capital Financial Model 2025-2034**

Commissioner Turner introduced the report and Howard Kiang, Manager of Maintenance & Engineering, was in attendance to answer questions.

**Moved** by Commissioner Girard; **seconded** by Commissioner Stuart

**THAT** the NVRC-City Capital Plan 2025-2034 be approved by the Commission for recommendation to the City (Appendix A);

**AND THAT** the NVRC-District Capital Plan 2025-2034 be approved by the Commission for recommendation to the District (Appendix B).

**Carried**

## **VII. Director's Update**

Commissioner Turner spoke to items in the report.

## **VIII. Other Business**

The Chair asked if there was Other Business.

- a) Commissioner Little asked to speak to the Remembrance Day ceremony at Cates Park and NVRC's role in the event. Chair Muri advised that the District will hold a meeting in January to review lead and support roles.
- b) Commissioner Turner provided an update on work with municipal staff regarding unhoused individuals camping outside or near NVRC facilities.
- c) Commissioner Little related some complaints he received regarding universal changerooms in NVRC facilities. Commissioner Turner advised that any complaints should be forwarded to staff, and that universal changerooms are an industry best-practice with many benefits.

Following a discussion on potential workshop items for 2025, there was no further business.

## **IX. Next Meetings**

The next Closed Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 10 at 1:00 pm via Teams. The next Regular Meeting is to be scheduled.

**X. Adjournment**

**Moved** by Commissioner Girard; **seconded** by Commissioner Stuart


**THAT** the meeting be adjourned.

**Carried**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

**Approved:**

**Recorded by:**

  
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Lisa Muri, Chair

  
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Veronica Labrosse, Executive Assistant

MARCH 10, 2025  
Date