

City of Maple Ridge  
***PUBLIC ART STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES***

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Public Art Steering Committee, held in the  
Coho Room, at Maple Ridge City Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia, on  
Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Wayne Bissky, Chair	Architect
Leanne Koehn, Vice-Chair	Community at Large Member
Councillor Duncan	City of Maple Ridge
Barbara Duncan	Arts Council Representative
Donald Luxton	Developer
Don Miskiman	Community at Large Member

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Yvonne Chui	Manager, Arts and Community Connections
Amanda Allen	Committee Clerk

**REGRETS/ABSENTS**

Wan-Yi Lin	Artist
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**1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

There being a quorum present the Chair called the meeting to order at 3:10 pm.

**2. 2018 CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR ELECTIONS**

The Staff Liaison opened the floor to nominations for a Chair.

R/2018-001

It was moved and seconded

**That Wayne Bissky be elected Chair of the Public Art Steering Committee for 2018**

CARRIED

The Staff Liaison opened the floor to nominations for a Vice Chair.

R/2018-002

It was moved and seconded

**That Leanne Koehn be elected Vice Chair of the Public Art Steering Committee for 2018**

CARRIED

### **3. AGENDA APPROVAL**

R/2018-003

It was moved and seconded

**That the Public Art Steering Committee agenda dated January 30, 2018 be amended to add item 7.1 Developer Public Art, that items be renumbered accordingly and that the agenda as amended be adopted.**

CARRIED

### **4. MINUTES APPROVAL**

R/2018-004

It was moved and seconded

**That the Public Art Steering Committee minutes dated November 28, 2017 be approved.**

CARRIED

### **5. DELEGATIONS - Nil**

### **6. QUESTION PERIOD – Nil**

### **7. NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **7.1 Developer Public Art**

Barbara Duncan acknowledged that the Developer Public Art Guidelines have been on hold due to Canada 150 initiatives and proposed a return to the project as interest and feedback from developers has been positive. There was discussion around current and proposed development in Maple Ridge and how the guidelines can be an asset to the community. The Staff Liaison will schedule a Guideline review meeting and will provide a draft to members for review in advance of a discussion at an upcoming meeting.

#### **7.2 Cultural Plan – next steps**

The Staff Liaison advised that the Cultural Plan will be presented to Council at the February 20, 2018 Workshop meeting and invited Committee members to attend. The Staff Liaison will forward the final version of the Cultural Plan to the Committee and task group members for review.

#### **7.3 Merkley Park/LeBlanc Field Update**

The Staff Liaison provided an update on the project. Maple Ridge Secondary Students attended two workshops led by Glen Anderson, with Wan-Yi Lin and Susan Hayes in attendance, and developed the theme of the piece. The theme of the artwork is footsteps over the field throughout time, ranging from animal tracks and ending with the footprints of Karina LeBlanc. The Staff Liaison informed that the Opening Ceremony for the Field will be April 7, 2018 and requested a Committee member speak at the ceremony.

#### **7.4 Leisure Centre Public Art Call – Draft**

The Staff Liaison circulated and summarized the draft Leisure Center Public Art Call and advised that the Expression of Interest will be released next week and will close end of March. The Staff Liaison confirmed that the call outlines three possible locations for the art and that it is the artist's choice on which location(s) they propose for their art. There was

discussion and revision to the call to increase the maximum project budget to a total of \$60,000. There was discussion about Statutory Declarations and whether the Committee should consider utilizing this resource in the future with projects that have a budget greater than \$50,000.

The detailed proposal and presentation honorarium/fee to finalists for the call was discussed and the Staff Liaison reported that research indicates they are priced at 1%-2% of the project budget. At the completion of the Leisure Centre Public Art Call, the Committee would like to solicit feedback from the artists who applied with regards to the honorarium amount.

R/2018-005

It was moved and seconded

**That a subcommittee be formed consisting of Don Luxton (alternate: Leanne Koehn) and Barbara Duncan (alternate: Don Miskiman) to review the selection for the Leisure Centre Public Art Call.**

CARRIED

#### **7.5 New Parks, Recreation & Culture Civic Infrastructure - Considerations**

The Staff Liaison reported that the Alternate Approval Process is underway and that City staff will be meeting to discuss potential facilities that could be targeted for public art. The Staff Liaison requested the Committee begin to strategically think of possible locations for art in the proposed facilities. Discussion around whether the Developer Public Art Guidelines could generate additional funds useful for these types of public art pieces.

Note: The Chair left meeting at 4:13pm. He did not return.

Note: The Vice Chair assumed the Chair.

Note: The Vice Chair excused herself from discussion of Item 7.6 due to conflict of interest and Donald Luxton assumed the Chair

#### **7.6 Community Public Art Grant – March 30 deadline**

The Staff Liaison reported that a grant request has been received from the Art Studio Tour. In celebration of their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Art Studio Tour is proposing a 'Faces over the Fence: Discover the Artists in Your Neighbourhood' project which will engage residents at the different events and festivals of 2018. The artists will work with event /festival goers to help them build and create their portrait to attach to the ever-growing fence.

R/2018-006

It was moved and seconded

**That the Public Art Steering Committee approve a \$1500 grant to the Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Art Studio Tour for the 'Faces over the Fence' project through the Community Public Art Program.**

CARRIED

Note: The Vice Chair returned to meeting at 4:37pm and resumed as Chair.

**7.7 Artist in Residence Program – next intake call for 2019 and program update**

The Staff Liaison reported that the term for the current Artists in Residence, Kat Wahama and Robi Smith will conclude in January 2019. The Staff Liaison recommends a review of the Artist in Residence program. Discussion on forming a subcommittee to review the program, the program partners, and to gather feedback from the existing artists. The Staff Liaison will provide a summary of the key points of the program and outline funding opportunities for review and further discussion.

**7.8 Annual reporting to Council – May**

The Staff Liaison advised that the annual PASC presentation to Council, which highlights Committee accomplishments and future plans, is scheduled for May.

**8. ROUNDTABLE**

Barbara Duncan acknowledged the new exhibition with Roger Luko. Life drawing classes will be moved from Yennadon Elementary to the Art Gallery and will be held Thursday evenings starting in March.

Note: Councillor Duncan left the meeting at 4:56 pm

Don Miskiman shared details of a recent trip to the Vancouver Art Gallery. The City of Abbotsford is developing two parkettes that will include public art.

Donald Luxton reported on the opening of the Burrard Bridge and advised the historic braziers have been refurbished and celebratory lighting on bridge can be turned any colour. Haney House making great progress in returning the house to a much more accurate and authentic heritage site.

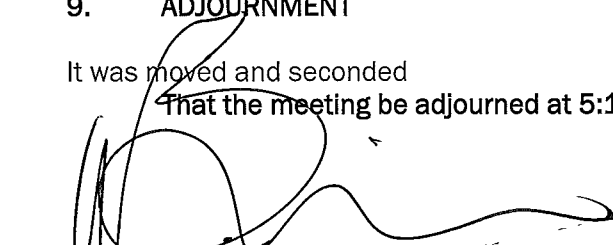
Leanne Koehn advised that Earth Day is April 21, 2018 and has a theme of DIY: Make it, Grow it, Fix it, Share it. There are several Earth Day lead up events scheduled in March/April and can be found on the website [www.mrearthday.ca](http://www.mrearthday.ca). A penny floor has been installed at the Hammond Forever House and a two minute video of the process can be viewed at [www.hammondfh.ca](http://www.hammondfh.ca).

Yvonne Chui reported the opening of the restored Haney House is tentatively planned for May. Heritage Week begins February 19, 2018 and the Heritage Awards are scheduled for February 22, 2018 at St. Andrews Church. Ms. Chui thoroughly enjoyed and recommends the Surrey Art Gallery's exhibit "Many Visions, Many Versions: Art from Indigenous Communities in India".

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved and seconded

~~That the meeting be adjourned at 5:11 pm.~~



Leanne Koehn, Vice Chair

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