

### **PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES**

### **NOVEMBER 19, 2012**

A meeting of the Public Art Committee was held on Monday, November 19, 2012, at 4:35 pm, in Committee Room No. 1, Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT: Rachel Lafo, Chair

Naveen Girn Hugh Ker

Richard Tetrault, Vice-Chair

Julien Thomas\* Renee Van Halm

ABSENT: Annie Li (Leave of Absence)

Mitra Mansour (Sick Leave)

ALSO PRESENT: Karen Henry, Cultural Planner, Public Art, Planning and

Facilities Development, Cultural Services

Bryan Newson, Public Art Program Manager, Cultural

Services/Staff Liaison

jil weaving, Coordinator, Arts, Culture & Environment,

Recreation Department/Park Board Liaison

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Pat Boomhower, Meeting Coordinator

## Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Hugh Ker SECONDED by Richard Tetrault

THAT the Public Art Committee approve a Leave of Absence for Renee Van Halm for the January 2013 meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Julien Thomas absent for the vote)

### **Approval of Minutes**

MOVED by Richard Tetrault SECONDED by Renee Van Halm

THAT the Public Art Committee approve the minutes from the meeting held on October 15, 2012, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Julien Thomas absent for the vote)

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

## 1. Portuguese Joe Memorial

Staff sought Committee comments and approval regarding a proposal for a memorial at Brockton Point, to Portuguese Joe Silvey and his First Nation wives who were among the last inhabitants of Stanley Park.

jil weaving, Coordinator, Arts, Culture and Environment, introduced Clive Grout, Consultant and architect working on the project, and noted the artist was unable to attend the November 19, 2012, PAC meeting. Mr. Grout gave a brief history on the Portuguese arrival, Mr. Silvey and his marriages to Coast Salish women, and noted community and Consulate support for the project (*Project proposal distributed - on file*).

Discussion included location options, viewing path, monument base and material, potential models, budget, and a request to have the wives' names included in the title.

MOVED by Richard Tetrault SECONDED by Naveen Girn

THAT the Public Art Committee (PAC) support the *Portuguese Joe Silvey* project in principle, going forward with a request for more detail on the proposed artwork, as soon as possible and by the next PAC meeting on December 10, 2012.

### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 2. Monuments in Thornton Park

jil weaving, Park Board Liaison, gave an overview of the concerns raised by proponents of the Marker of Change, the monument to female victims of male violence installed in 1997 in Thornton Park. Ms. Weaving also outlined the process completed for a proposed Irish Monument and introduced guests present from the Irish Project.

Staff requested a subcommittee address questions and issues raised pertaining to the monuments and report back as soon as possible. The following PAC members volunteered for the Thornton Park Subcommittee: Rachel Lalo, Richard Terault, and Renee Van Halm.

Bryan Newson will provide background material. Ms. Weaving offered a site meeting at both monuments. The Subcommittee will review materials and report back at the next PAC meeting. Guests from the Irish Project requested to meet with the Subcommittee.

## 3. Rogers Arena Public Art Plan

Jan Ballard, Consultant, and Walther Franl, Architect, presented a Detailed Public Art Plan for the new development at Rogers Arena *(on file)*, and along with Riann DeBeer, Development Manager, Mark Mazonne, Project Coordinator, and Scott Michell, responded to questions.

Members discussed potential locations, current public art nearby, art budget, artist selection and installation timeline, use of lighting and greenery. The Committee requested that an artist be on the selection Panel.

# MOVED by Renee Van Halm SECONDED by Richard Tetrault

THAT the Public Art Committee (PAC) approve the Detailed Public Art Plan for the new development at the Rogers Arena complex at 800 Griffiths Way, as presented at the November 19, 2012 PAC meeting.

### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 4. Restructuring Public Art Program Funding

Bryan Newson reported on the anticipated timeline for discussions with City managers, consultation process with PAC, Arts Council, and Park Board, and report to Council.

### 5. New Business

# (a) Future Topics

The Committee discussed the following as potential topics for future meetings:

- lessons learned roundtable discussion by members
- private funding issues
- policy around memorials, donations, and long-term loans.

# (b) Terms ending December 2012

The Committee briefly discussed that three terms are ending in December 2012.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Richard Tetrault SECONDED by Renee Van Halm

THAT the Public Art Committee meeting be adjourned.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **Next Meeting:**

DATE: Monday, December 10, 2012

TIME: 4:30 pm

PLACE: Committee Room 1

Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 6:20 pm.

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