

PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 29, 2016

A meeting of the Public Art Committee was held on Monday, February 29, 2016, at 5:03 pm, in the Business Centre Meeting Room, Second Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT: Renee Van Halm, Chair

Nick Gregson Chris Jones Hannah Reinhart Marisa Sanchez Steven Tong

ABSENT: Mitra Mansour

Debra Rolfe (Leave of Absence)

Jon Stovell

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Heather Deal (Council Liaison)

Karen Henry, Senior Cultural Planner

Bryan Newson, Public Art Program Manager (Staff Liaison)

Alix Sales, Cultural Planner

jil weaving, Coordinator, Arts, Culture and Engagement,

Parks & Recreation

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Laura Kazakoff, Meeting Coordinator

Leave of Absence Requests

None.

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Renee Van Halm was elected Chair by acclamation. Hannah Reinhart was elected Vice-Chair by ballot.

MOVED by Renee Van Halm SECONDED by Chris Jones

THAT the ballots be destroyed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Chris Jones SECONDED by Hannah Reinhart

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on January 18, 2016, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Vietnamese Boat People Memorial

Ninh Huu Nguyen, President, Little Saigon Vancouver Foundation, introduced representatives of the Foundation also present at the meeting, and provided an overview of a proposed memorial for the Vietnamese Boat People to be located on a City-owned site at Kingsway and Fraser Streets.

Following discussion, it was,

MOVED by Chris Jones SECONDED by Hannah Reinhart

THAT the Public Art Committee recommends acceptance of the Vietnamese Boat People Memorial at the site offered by the City, with installation details to be provided to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee discussed the issue of memorials and gifts of public art to the City. It was, therefore.

MOVED by Marisa Sanchez SECONDED by Steven Tong

THAT the Public Art Committee recommends that City and Parks staff develop a joint policy and process to consider gifts to the City that are public memorials, as distinct from public art works having no memorial purpose.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Signature Public Art Projects

Alix Sales, Cultural Planner, provided an overview of the Signature Projects program, whereby funds from several development projects may be pooled in order to create significant public art projects. She noted developers are able to contribute to the Signature Projects Fund when they choose Option B for the public art requirement. Ms. Sales reviewed the East Fraser Lands as an example of pooled public art funds on a major planning project, provided information on other major projects which will provide pooling opportunities, and along with Bryan Newson, responded to questions.

A report back to City Council on the Signature Projects program is expected within the next couple of months.

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VARY AGENDA

The Committee agreed to consider Item 4 before Item 3. For ease of reference, the agenda items are minuted in numerical order.

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3. Brenhill Development - 1111 Richards Street

Jan Ballard, Public Art Consultant, provided an introduction to the 35-storey mixed-use development at 1111 Richards Street, and the proposed options for the related public art opportunity. Ms. Ballard reviewed the proposed selection process and budget, and responded to questions and feedback from the Committee.

4. Bosa Development - 988 Broadway (at Oak Street)

Barbara Cole, Cole Projects, Public Art Consultant, provided an introduction to the 10-storey Bosa development at 988 Broadway, and reviewed possible options for public art on the site. Ms. Cole sought feedback with regard to the public art opportunity and responded to questions and comments from Committee members.

5. Civic Projects Update

This item was postponed to the next meeting.

6. New Business

None.

ADJOURN MEETING

MOVED by Steven Tong SECONDED by Nick Gregson

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Monday, March 21, 2016, at 5 pm

PLACE: Business Centre Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 7:30 pm.

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