



ARTS AND CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

March 4, 2025

A meeting of the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 5:34 pm, in the Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall, and via electronic means.

PRESENT:

Ashley Daniel Foot, Chair
Noor Abouchehade, Co-Chair
Mark Busse
Hanna Cho
Brent Constantine
Brian McBay
Shora Parvaresh

ABSENT:

Joshua Beamish (Leave of Absence)
Diane Brown (Leave of Absence)
Henry Lu (Leave of Absence)
Kaile Shilling (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT:

Councillor Pete Fry, Council Liaison
Jorge Amigo, Head of Cultural Programming, Vancouver
Public Library Liaison
Metha Brown, Social Planner III, Arts, Culture and
Community Services, Staff Liaison

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:

Alyse Stewart, Meeting Coordinator

WELCOME

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Peoples. We thank them for having cared for this land and look forward to working with them in partnership as we continue to build this great city together.

MOVED by Brent Constantine

SECONDED by Brian McBay

THAT the Arts and Culture' Advisory Committee suspend the rule of section 15.13 of the *Procedure By-law* for the duration of this meeting, to allow the use of consensus-based decision-making.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

Leave of Absence Requests

THAT the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee approve leaves of absence for Joshua Beamish, Diane Brown, Henry Lu, and Kaile Shilling for this meeting.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

Approval of Minutes

THAT the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of Tuesday, January 14, 2025, as circulated.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

1. Working Session Updates

The Chair provided an update on last the working session held Tuesday, February 11, 2025.

2. Liaison Updates

The Staff Liaison provided updates on the following and responded to questions and comments:

- Staff changes in ACCS
- [2025 Juno Awards](#)
- [Capital Planning processes](#)
- Coordinating presenters to visit ACAC
- [Granville street plan](#)

The Council Liaison provided an overview of upcoming Council meetings, as well as an update on the following:

- [Uplifting the Downtown Eastside and Building Inclusive Communities that Work for All Residents Motion: Progress Update](#)
- Updates to the [Temporarily Pausing Net-New Supportive Housing Investments in Vancouver to Prioritize Replacing Existing Stock and Promoting Regional Equity](#) motion
- Public washroom access and feasibility
- [Gastown Public Spaces plan](#)

The VPL Liaison provided updates on the following and responded to questions and comments:

- [Upcoming music events being hosted by VPL](#)
- Processes for selecting artists the Vancouver Public Library works with
- [Special events](#) upcoming in March and April, including: author readings, classes, and workshops

3. Subcommittee Updates

The Spaces Subcommittee lead provided an update, followed by Committee discussion.

4. New Business

None.

ADJOURNMENT

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

Next Meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, May 6, 2025
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall
/ Microsoft Teams Online

The Committee adjourned at 6:50 pm.

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