A meeting of the Arts and Culture Policy Council was held on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at 5:03 pm, in the Strathcona Meeting Room, Sub-ground, Vancouver City Hall.

**PRESENT:**
Marcus Youssef, Chair
Mary-Louise Albert
Thomas Cannell
Becki Chan
Hugh Cochlin
Chan Hon Goh*
Sharman King
Katherine McManus
Nigel Prince
Esther Rausenberg
Eric Szeto

**ABSENT:**
Graeme Berglund
Amy Kazymerchyk, Vice-Chair (Leave of Absence)
Paddy Macleod (Sick Leave)
Charlie Wu

**ALSO PRESENT:**
Richard Newirth, Managing Director, Cultural Services
Marg Specht, Director, Grants, Awards & Support Programs, Cultural Services
Rob Haynes, Chair, Vancouver Civic Theatres Board

**CITY CLERK’S OFFICE:**
Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

**Leave of Absence Requests**

MOVED by Mary-Louise Albert
SECONDED by Nigel Prince

THAT the Arts and Culture Policy Council approve a Leave of Absence for Amy Kazymerchyk for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Chan Hon Goh absent for vote)
MOVED by Sharman King  
SECONDED by Thomas Cannell  

THAT the Arts and Culture Policy Council approve a Leave of Absence for Nigel Prince, retroactive to June 4, 2013.  

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Chan Hon Goh absent for vote)  

Approval of Minutes  

MOVED by Esther Rausenberg  
SECONDED by Katherine McManus  

THAT the Arts and Culture Policy Council approve the Minutes of the meeting held on June 4, 2013, as amended to note the start time of today’s meeting as 5 pm.  

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Chan Hon Goh absent for vote)  

1. Update of Council Strategies  

The Staff Liaison provided an update on Council strategies related to the Cultural Strategy, Public Art and Civic Theatres and responded to questions.  

In discussion, the Policy Council agreed to schedule a special working group in mid-October to receive a preview of the Report Reference on the Civic Theatres business plan, which is expected to go to Council in late November.  

The Meeting Coordinator will conduct a poll for a special working group in mid-October.  

2. Rize Alliance  

At its meeting held June 4, 2013, the Policy Council requested clarification about the amount of space that the $4.5 million from the Rize Alliance development could purchase and staff agreed to report back.  

Accordingly, the Staff Liaison reviewed a memorandum to Council from the General Manager of Community Services dated July 12, 2013 (on file), which outlined the strategy for the Rize Alliance cultural community amenity contribution (CAC) in respect to supporting artist production space in Mount Pleasant, and responded to questions.  

3. Liaisons to other Cultural Committee Updates  

The Staff Liaison, along with the Chair, Hugh Cochlin and Nigel Prince, updated the Policy Council on relationships with the Public Art, Cultural Facilities and Civic Theatres Committees and responded to questions.
Actions during discussion follow:
- Thomas Cannell will attend the Public Art Committee meeting on September 16th;
- Sharman King will attend the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board meeting on September 19th;
- Mary-Louise Albert will assist the Chair in scheduling a special working group in mid-October.

In response to questions, the Policy Council reviewed sub-committee membership:
- Cross Cultural: Mary-Louise Albert and Eric Szeto; and
- Creative Economy (replaces Finance): Sharman King and Marcus Youssef.

At this point in the proceedings the Chair introduced Rob Haynes, Chair, Vancouver Civic Theatres Board (VCTB).

Mr. Haynes provided a brief overview on the mandate of the VCTB, and membership, noting the Board is working on a future governance model and strategic business plan for the theatres. He also encouraged all members of the Policy Council to attend the VCTB meetings.

4. Sub-Committee Reports + Reformation of Subcommittees

The Policy Council discussed proposed sub-committee models and received updates from the liaisons to existing committees.

5. Engaged City Task Force’s “performance venue operators regarding small performance venues”

The Staff Liaison provided a brief overview on civic policy in relation to civic venues and spaces and responded to questions.

The Chair requested an update from staff at the next regular meeting.

6. Working Meeting Dates

The Meeting Coordinator will conduct a second poll to ensure there is a quorum for the next regular meeting on November 12, 2013.

The Chair advised he will require a Leave of Absence for this meeting.

7. All Council Meeting

The Staff Liaison provided a brief update.

NOTE: the Council of Councils has not been scheduled to date.
8. New Policy focus for ACPC

This item was referred to the next regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Hugh Cochlin
SECONDED by Mary-Louise Albert

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, November 12, 2013
TIME: 5 pm
PLACE: Business Centre Meeting Room
Second Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 6:59 pm.

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