A meeting of the Arts and Culture Policy Council was held on Tuesday, January 9, 2018, at 5:36 pm, in Committee Room No. 1, Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT:           Donna Spencer, Chair
                  Sue Biely
                  Charmaine Carpenter
                  Belle Cheung
                  Michelle Cyca
                  Andrea Gin
                  Terry Hunter, Vice-Chair
                  Sharman King
                  Brian McBay, Vice-Chair
                  Nigel Prince

ABSENT:            Norman Armour
                  Phillip Djwa (Leave of Absence)
                  Christy Goerzen
                  Nick Gregson
                  Wendy Soobis (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT:      Councillor Heather Deal, Council Liaison
                  Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung, Park Board Liaison
                  Lara Honrado, Assistant Director, Cultural Services
                  Metha Brown, Social Planner, Cultural Services

CITY CLERK’S OFFICE: Maria Castro, Meeting Coordinator

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Sue Biely
SECONDED by Charmaine Carpenter

THAT the Arts and Culture Policy Council approve leaves of absence for Phillip Djwa and Wendy Soobis, for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Nigel Prince
SECONDED by Charmaine Carpenter

THAT the Arts and Culture Policy Council approve the Minutes from the meeting of November 7, 2017, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Liaison Updates

Councillor Deal thanked the Arts and Culture Policy Council for their support of the 2018 Budget, which was approved by Council on December 6, 2017.

2. Chair’s Report

The Chair provided a brief report as follows:

• submitted a letter on behalf of ACPC in support of the 2018 Budget and Creative City Strategy;
• appointment of Sandra Singh as the new General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services; and
• reviewed workshop on future directions and priorities for arts and culture, attended by the Chair and Brian McBay, Vice-Chair.

3. Sub-committee Reports

a) Community Engagement

Next steps will be discussed following the Creative City Focus Group item.

b) Cultural Spaces

Mr. McBay highlighted the priority issues identified in the survey results, and felt that the sub-committee could avail of more members, and therefore, requested approval from the ACPC to amend the sub-committee’s membership limit. It was noted the current membership limit is thirteen members, as stated in its Terms of Reference.

MOVED by Charmaine Carpenter
SECONDED by Michelle Cyca

THAT the Arts and Culture Policy Council approve an increase in the membership of the Cultural Spaces Sub-committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
c) Strategic Liaison

Nigel Prince provided a brief overview of the sub-committee’s mandate and noted that it is currently seeking more membership.

4. Work Plan and Report Back from Working Committee

Staff from Cultural Services reviewed the public engagement phases for the Creative City Strategy, and noted it will be launching an event on January 24 at the Roundhouse Community Centre. Staff also provided an overview of upcoming initiatives centering on the development of a new comprehensive arts and culture plan that will be reported to Council in April.

Staff also responded to questions.

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The following items were discussed informally as a focus group session, after adjournment.

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5. Creative City Focus Group

6. New Business

Adjournment

MOVED by Charmaine Carpenter
SECONDED by Andrea Gin

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, March 6, 2018
TIME: 5 pm
PLACE: Committee Room No. 1
        Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 6:27 pm.

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