



CULTURAL COMMUNITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

April 9, 2015

A meeting of the Cultural Communities Advisory Committee was held on April 9, 2015, at 5:32 pm, in the Strathcona Meeting Room, Subground, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT: Demitri Douzenis, Acting Chair
Francisco Javier Barajas
Angela Brown
Diego Cardona
Fumiko Ito
Thanh Lam
Paola Murillo*
Mita Naidu
Jason Shabestari
Will Tao

ABSENT: Nellie Cheng (Leave of Absence)
Kat Cureton (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Stuart Mackinnon, Parks Board Liaison
Baldwin Wong, Staff Liaison

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Bonnie Kennett, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Mita Naidu
SECONDED by Francisco Barajas

THAT the Cultural Communities Advisory Committee approve leaves of absence for Nellie Cheng and Kat Cureton, for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Paola Murillo absent for the vote)

1. Introductions

The meeting commenced with roundtable introductions of Committee members and staff.

2. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

The Committee agreed to postpone election of Chair and Vice-Chair to the next meeting to allow new members to become acquainted with the Committee. Subsequently, the Committee agreed on consensus to appoint Demitri Douzenis as Acting Chair for this meeting.

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At this point in the proceedings, Demitri Douzenis assumed the Chair.

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3. Committee Orientation - Roles and Relationships

The Meeting Coordinator provided an overview of the Committee's role as an Advisory Body and its relationship to Vancouver City Council and staff.

4. Meeting Schedule

MOVED by Paola Murillo
SECONDED by Francisco Barajas

THAT the Cultural Communities Advisory Committee approved the 2015 meeting schedule as follows:

Meeting Date	Meeting Room	Type of Meeting
Thursday, April 9	Strathcona Meeting Room, Subground, City Hall	Regular Meeting
Thursday, May 7	Committee Room #1, Third Floor, City Hall	Working Session
Thursday, June 4	Committee Room #1, Third Floor, City Hall	Regular Meeting
Thursday, July 16	Town Hall Meeting Room, Main Floor, City Hall	Working Session
Thursday, September 10	Committee Room #1, Third Floor, City Hall	Working Session
Thursday, October 8	Town Hall Meeting Room, Main Floor, City Hall	Regular Meeting
Thursday, November 26	Town Hall Meeting Room, Main Floor, City Hall	Regular Meeting
Thursday, December 10	Town Hall Meeting Room, Main Floor, City Hall	Working Session
TIME: 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm		

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Workplan

Baldwin Wong, Staff Liaison, along with Demetri Douzenis and Mita Naidu, lead a discussion on workplan options and ideas. The Committee agreed to begin brainstorming ideas and start working on tentative workplan options in preparation for the working session on May 7.

6. Nomination to the Civic Asset Naming Committee

MOVED by Thanh Lam
SECONDED by James Shabestari

THAT the Cultural Communities Advisory Committee appoint Francisco Javier Barajas as the Committee representative to the Civic Asset Naming Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. New Business

None.

Adjournment

MOVED by Mita Naidu
SECONDED by Angela Brown

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Paola Murillo absent for the vote)

Next Meeting:

DATE: June 4, 2015
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Committee Room #1
Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 7:15 pm.

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