



VANCOUVER CIVIC THEATRES BOARD

MINUTES

November 21, 2024

A meeting of the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board was held on Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 12:10 PM, in the Queen Elizabeth Theatre Boardroom, 649 Cambie Street, and via electronic means.

PRESENT: Ann-Marie Copping, Chair
Diane Brown
Frank Durnford
Adrian Fischer
Anna Hagan*
Wendy Soobis*
Mike Vulgaris
Mike Wallberg
Donna Wong-Juliani*

ALSO PRESENT: Margaret Wittgens, General Manager, Arts, Culture and
Community Services
Natalie Lue, Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres; Staff
Liaison
Aliyah Amarshi, Associate Director, Vancouver Civic
Theatres

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Kevin Burris, Manager Civic Agencies
Julie Emmerson, Committee Clerk

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

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.

Leave of Absence Requests

None.

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Donna Wong-Juliani
SECONDED by Anna Hagan

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve the Minutes from the meeting of Thursday, September 19, 2024, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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VARY AGENDA

*MOVED by Diane Brown
SECONDED by Mike Walberg*

THAT the Committee vary the agenda to hear Item 2: Guest Speakers first, followed by Item 5: Arts, Culture and Community Services Update, followed by Item 1: Vancouver Civic Theatres Board Roles and Responsibilities.

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY
THE REQUIRED MAJORITY*

For ease of reference, the minutes are recorded in chronological order.

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2. Guest Speaker

The Artistic Director and Executive Director of the Vancouver Youth Choir provided a presentation and responded to questions and comments.

5. Arts, Cultural and Community Services Update

The General Manager provided an overview of the Arts, Culture and Community Services department, followed by a general update highlighting the following, and responded to questions and comments:

- [2024 Cultural Grants \(Equity, Indigenous, Individual Artists, Cultural Spaces, Chinatown\)](#)
- Special Council – Budget, December 3, 2024

1. Vancouver Civic Theatres Board Roles and Responsibilities

The Manager, Civic Agencies provided a presentation and responded to questions and comments.

The Committee engaged in a discussion on meeting frequency.

3. Chair's Comments

The Chair provided an update and responded to questions and comments.

4. Council Liaison Updates

The Council Liaison provided an update on the following, and responded to questions and comments:

- [Sponsorship and Sponsorship Naming Rights Policy](#)
- Special Council – Budget, December 3, 2024

6. Arts and Culture Advisory Committee Liaison Update

Diane Brown provided an update and responded to questions and comments.

7. Finance Report

The Director and Associate Director provided a presentation and responded to questions and comments.

MOVED by Frank Durnford
SECONDED by Wendy Soobis

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board endorse the VCT 2025 Operating Budget as presented by staff at the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board meeting on November 21, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Anna Hagan and Donna Wong-Juliani absent for the vote)

MOVED by Mike Wallberg
SECONDED by Adrian Fischer

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board endorse the VCT Rental rates as presented by staff at the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board meeting on November 21, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Anna Hagan and Donna Wong-Juliani absent for the vote)

8. Director's Report

The Director provided an overview of the report and responded to questions and comments.

9. New Business

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Frank Durnford
SECONDED by Mike Vulgaris

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Anna Hagan and Donna Wong-Juliani absent for the vote)

Next Meeting:

DATE: Thursday, February 20, 2025
TIME: 12:00 PM
PLACE: Queen Elizabeth Theatre Boardroom, 649
Cambie Street/ Webex Online

The Committee adjourned at 2:06 PM.

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