



VANCOUVER CIVIC THEATRES BOARD

MINUTES

September 18, 2025

A meeting of the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board was held on Thursday, September 18, 2025, at 12:02 PM, in the Queen Elizabeth Theatre Boardroom, 649 Cambie Street, and via electronic means.

PRESENT: Frank Durnford, Chair
Diane Brown
Anna Hagan
Scott Robinson
Mike Vulgaris
Mike Wallberg
Wendy Soobis*

ABSENT: Donna Wong-Juliani, Vice-Chair
Adrian Fischer (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Lenny Zhou, Council Liaison
Natalie Lue, Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres; Staff Liaison
Aliyah Amarshi, Associate Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Taimiya Khalid, Coordinator, Planning Committees

*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

MOVED by Mike Wallberg
SECONDED by Mike Vulgaris

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve a leave of absence for Adrian Fischer, for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Anna Hagan
SECONDED by Mike Wallberg

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve the minutes from the meeting of Thursday, June 19, 2025, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Chair Comments

The Chair provided comments.

2. Guest Speaker

Suzie LeBlanc, Artist & Executive Director of Early Music Vancouver (EMV) briefed the board on programs undertaken by EMV and responded to questions and comments.

3. Council Liaison Update

The Council Liaison provided an update and responded to questions and comments.

4. Arts, Culture & Community Services Update

The Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres provided an update on behalf of the General Manager, Arts, Culture and Community Services and responded to questions and comments.

5. Arts and Culture Advisory Committee Liaison Update

The Arts and Culture Advisory Committee Liaison provided an update.

6. Finance Report

The Associate Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres presented the Finance Report and responded to questions and comments.

7. Director's Report

The Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres presented the Director's Report and responded to questions and comments.

Vancouver Civic Theatres staff provided updates to the Board and responded to questions and comments.

9. New Business

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Mike Vulgaris
SECONDED by Mike Wallberg

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Wendy Soobis absent for the vote)

Next Meeting:

DATE: Thursday, November 13, 2025
TIME: 12:00 PM
PLACE: Queen Elizabeth Theatre Boardroom, 649
Cambie St / Teams Online

The Committee adjourned at 1:43 PM.

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