

Minutes

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

Burgoyne Woods Room, City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Members:

Catherien Chin Yet, Emma German, Stephen Remus, Peter Vietgen (Chair)

Absent:

Councillor Carlos Garcia, Councillor Joe Kushner, Erica Thorpe, Councillor Bruce Williamson, Michael Zuberec

Staff Liaison:

Rebecca Cann, Olivia Hope

Guest: Rhiannon Barry and Pam Seabrook, Niagara Folk Arts Multicultural Centre

1. Call meeting to order

P. Vietgen brought the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Recognition of Traditional Territories

3. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

4. Motion to approve the agenda for October 25, 2017

Moved: C. Chin Yet Carried.

5. Motion to adopt the minutes of August 22, 2017

Moved: C. Chin Yet Carried.

6. Business arising from the minutes

7. Correspondence

Invitations were sent via email to the unveiling of the Welland Canal Fallen Workers Memorial and to a community consultation with the Niagara Region for a new Immigration Portal.

8. Presentation: Rhiannon Barry, Niagara Folk Arts Multicultural Centre re: Canada 150 Mosaic Mural

The presenters shared a handout about the Canada 150 Mosaic Mural project which is creating murals in communities across Canada. The Niagara Folk Arts Multicultural Centre would like to use this project as part of their 50th anniversary celebrations during the Folk Arts Festival in 2018. They are working with the Downtown Association to identify a mural site, shared some of the options. They are open to ideas for a final site. They are currently fundraising and have reached out to a number of potential donors who have expressed interest. They are asking for \$3,000 from the Public Art Advisory Committee in support of the project. They need to raise \$12,500 plus additional funds for future maintenance.

Motion: To accept the presentation from the Niagara Folk Arts representatives.
Moved: E. German Carried.

9. Business

9.1. Community Proposals

(a) Canada 150 Mosaic Mural

The Committee discussed the presentation and noted the site selection as an important factor. They are supportive of the concept and asked staff to report back next meeting on potential budget sources for the project. Members provided ideas about sites, potential donors and community engagement partners to the presenters.

(b) Niagara Regional Native Centre Pow Wow Community Art

Staff provided images of five large canvases that were painted at the recent Pow Wow in Montebello Park. The project was led by an organization called Seedling for Change in Society and Environment. Staff from the FirstOntario performing Arts Centre had approached cultural services staff about an installation in the PAC. Discussion took place about the development of the project and issues related to displaying the murals at a City site. The relationship between “Seedling” and the Niagara Regional Native Centre is not clear.

Action: Staff will look into it and report back.

(c) Port Dalhousie Lock 1 – no report

Motion: To accept Community Proposals Report

Moved: C. Chin Yet Carried.

9.2. Civic Art Collection

(a) Centennial Totem Pole – no report.

(b) Potential Donations

- Motion:** That the Beaulieu print not be accessioned into the collection.
Moved: C. Chin Yet Carried.

- Motion:** That *Supersized Souvenir Spoon and Spoon Holder* by Wes Frost be acquired by the City, pending receipt of evaluations by Committee members confirming its priority.
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| Moved: S Remus | Carried |
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- Motion:** To accept the Civic Art Collection report.
- Moved: E. German Carried

- (a) Percent for Art Policy – S. Remus and R. Cann have reviewed the draft and are looking to make some changes based on the experiences of the last few years. They will bring a revised document back to PAAC for the next meeting.
- (b) Public Art Policy Addition – a change in the current policy was recommended to clarify the definition of original prints. In 1.5.2 the phrase “original prints, posters and photographs, as the media for original creativity” will be replaced with “Limited run prints, 500 or less, of original artworks and photographs which are signed by the artist or accredited by appropriate artist representation.”

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Motion: To approve policy development report.

Moved: C Chin Yet

Carried

9.4. Exhibit Subcommittee Report

Staff noted there has not yet been a meeting of the Exhibit Committee. They asked that Committee members consider options for a theme for the 2018 Juried Exhibit, to be finalized at the next meeting.

9.5. Public Art Programming

- (a) Exhibit Updates – Kitsch 4 Canada comes down Nov 6th. Staff are looking into options for a replacement, tbd. An exhibit was installed in the Film House Gallery of original art loaned by Sofifran. There has been little promotion since staff are just now in receipt of information about the artwork, mostly in French.
- (b) Carlisle Street Public Art (C-SPA) – R. Cann reported that 6 artists have been shortlisted, and a press release will be shared with them very soon with the names.
- (c) Welland Canal Fallen Workers Memorial – R. Cann shared a brief PowerPoint with slides of the construction. The unveiling is set for November 12, 2017.
- (d) Other

Motion: To accept the Exhibit report.

Moved: C Chin Yet

Carried.

9.6. Report from Cultural Services Office

- R. Cann reported on the staff changes that have taken place in cultural services.
- SCCIP deadline is Friday.

Motion: To accept the Cultural Services report.

Moved: E. German

Carried

9.7. Other Business

(a) Future of Rodman Hall Art Collection

E. German reported she is working on a year-long project to build an exhibit from the art collection, with changes in exhibit spaces every two weeks, engaging visual artists in the process. P. Vietgen reported that the coalition is meeting tomorrow night to discuss a revised effort to re-engage the community in conversations about the future of Rodman Hall. A facilitator is being considered for the process.

(b) PAAC Vacancy

3 applications were received and a recommendation will go forward to the Cultural Sustainability Committee next week.

10. Date of next meeting

Wednesday, November 22, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Burgoyne Woods Room, City Hall

11. Motion to Adjourn

Moved: S. Remus

Attachments:

- <http://canada150mosaic.com/>
- Project handout from Niagara Folk Arts Multicultural Centre
- Cultural Sustainability Committee – Minutes – July 11
- Cultural Sustainability Committee – Minutes – Sept 6