

## Minutes

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

Burgoyne Woods Room at 4:30pm

### Attendance:

Susan Ashukian, Catherine Chin Yet, Elizabeth Chitty, Councillor Carlos Garcia, Michael Zuberec

**Absent:** Councillor Joe Kushner, Stephen Remus, Scott Ritchie, Peter Vietgen (Chair), Councillor Bruce Williamson

### Staff Liaison:

Olivia Hope, Asta McCann

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1. **Call meeting to order**  
C. Chin Yet brought the meeting to order at 4:30 pm
2. **Recognition of Traditional Territories**
3. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**
4. **Motion to approve the agenda for July 25, 2018**  
Moved: E. Chitty Carried.
5. **Motion to adopt the minutes of June 27, 2018**  
Moved: S. Ashukian Carried.
6. **Business arising from the minutes**  
No new business arising.
7. **Correspondence**  
No correspondence.

## 8. Business

### 8.1. Community Proposals

#### (a) Port Dalhousie Lock 1

O. Hope noted that there were no updates from Culture staff.

Counc. Garcia informed the committee that World Music on the Beach was well-attended.

**Motion:** to accept the Community Proposals Report.

Moved: M. Zuberec      Carried.

### 8.2. Civic Art Collection

#### (a) Centennial Totem Pole

O. Hope is currently researching the proposed options for the Totem Pole. Staff will prepare a report for Council.

#### (b) Potential Donations

##### (i) Artworks by Unknown Artist – Update

Staff presented the final evaluation scores to the committee. O.

Hope informed the committee that four (4) out of Six (6) committee members scored the works lower than a priority 1.

M. Zuberec noted that both works were significant because they represent local buildings of past and present. S. Ashukian liked the works for their historical value. E. Chitty rated both works as non-priorities. E. Chitty noted that the works depict extremely common subjects which are already represented in the collection. The committee commented on the lack of artistic provenance. The committee agreed that the works did not provide anything new to the collection.

**Motion:** That Artworks by Unknown Artist will not be accessioned into the collection

Moved: E. Chitty

Carried.

#### (c) WCFW memorial to add to the art collection

O. Hope distributed The City of St. Catharines Video Surveillance Policy to the committee. Staff noted that Senior Staff will need to be involved in any video surveillance. O. Hope noted that surveillance decisions will not be made until after the WCFW Memorial is officially a

part of the art collection. O. Hope noted that there are deficiencies to the art piece. The artwork will not be added to the Civic Art Collection until all deficiencies have been addressed.

(d) Updates

Spirit of St. Catharine

Staff informed the committee that a Council Report is being drafted.

**Motion:** to accept the Civic Art Collection report.

Moved: S. Ashukian      Carried.

**8.3 Policy Development**

a. Percent for Art Policy

O. Hope informed the committee that there are no updates on the policy.

**Motion:** to approve the Policy Development Report.

Moved: M. Zuberec      Carried.

**8.4 Exhibit Subcommittee Report**

- a. Update – O. Hope noted that the committee discussed a potential exhibit in the Joy William's Lobby of the FirstOntario Performing Arts Centre (PAC). The committee proposed exhibiting works by renowned artist Carl Beam. Staff and the committee are currently outlining the details of the potential exhibit. E. German noted that the Niagara Artist Centre has provided a quote for Monitor rentals for future exhibits. The committee discussed potential activities to be held in conjunction with the opening reception of the 2018 Juried Exhibition. J. Duntsch suggested hiring one of the selected artists bring a mobile artwork for the audience members to interact with. E. German suggested an accompanying lecture series. Staff is looking into both suggestions. E. Chitty asked staff if they have developed loan agreements. O. Hope noted that insurance and loan agreements are currently being discussed.
- b. Evaluation Success Survey – O. Hope noted that the committee completed the first draft of the Evaluation of Success Survey's. Staff distributed the surveys for committee input. E. Chitty noted tabulation is much easier when you have yes/no answer options. Staff to consider evaluation scale.

**Action:** Committee will review success surveys and revisit them at the next meeting.

**Motion:** to approve the Exhibit Subcommittee Report.

Moved: E. Chitty      Carried.

## **8.5 Public Art Programming**

### **(a) Exhibit Updates**

- (i) Staff noted that the artists for the 2018 Juried Exhibit have been chosen. O. Hope shared the list of chosen artists with the committee. O. Hope informed the committee that the opening reception for Motion will be on Friday September 28 at 4:00 p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of City Hall. O. Hope met with graphics today and informed the committee that marketing material will be ready by the end of August.
- (ii) O. Hope noted that Art Making with Family Photographs and Archives was installed on Monday July 16 in partnership with Rodman Hall Arts Center and the opening reception took place on Tuesday July 17. The opening was successful. The exhibit will be on display until September 2.

### **(b) Carlisle Street Public Art (C-SPA)**

- (i) O. Hope informed the committee that completed proposals are due by August 1 and that a meeting is scheduled for two weeks after to discuss proposals and potentially choose an applicant. O. Hope noted she aims to have artist chosen for mid-September.

### **(c) Other**

No update.

**Motion:** to accept report on Public Art.

Moved: S. Ashukian      Carried.

## **8.6 Report from Cultural Services Office**

- Staff noted Arts Awards debrief meeting occurred in early-July. The meeting went successfully. The committee is scheduled to meet again in September.
- O. Hope informed committee that SCCIP applications from Round 1 (Culture Days and 2 pre-approved Culture Builds Community) were approved at the July council meeting.
- Staff noted that Round 2 recommendations (Core and Mid-sized, Arts development and CBC) are going to council in early September.

- Staff mentioned that an artist roundtable has been set for July 28 and that the intent of this meeting is to talk about what is needed to better support the individual artists in this community. An open conversation around marketing, business training, development, exhibitions, funding opportunities etc. will be discussed. O. Hope added that the sign up is now closed. C. Chin Yet asked where the meeting would be taking place. Staff noted that the meeting will be taking place at The Robertson Hall (The Robby).
- Staff updated committee that Culture Days marketing material is currently being designed.

**Motion:** to accept the report from the Cultural Services Office

Moved: E. Chitty                      Carried.

## 8.7 Other Business

### a) Update of Rodman Hall

E. Chitty noted that Up Close in Motion is in phase 6 of 11. Art Making with Family Photographs and Archives is currently on display and will be up until September 2<sup>nd</sup> at The FirstOntario Performing Arts Center (PAC) in the Film House Lobby. E. Chitty informed the committee that the feasibility study is ongoing and that consultants are reporting their findings on Wednesday August 8<sup>th</sup>.

### b) Update of Niagara Artists Centre (NAC)

O. Hope updated the committee –on behalf of S. Remus—that SOUND+VISION Fest is up and running on NAC’s Roofdeck. The next show is set to take place on Saturday August 11<sup>th</sup>. The show will be featuring singer/songwriter Daniel Romano. Staff noted that new operations/tech has been hired at the PAC and while their qualifications were fitting for theatre and music, there is no indication that they would be qualified to rectify the technical issues with the Digital Art Wall at the PAC.

### c) The Willow Community Art Project – Proposal

S. MacLeod informed the committee on the origins and mission of the Willow Community Organization. S. MacLeod introduced M. Roe, a local artist and instructor with Willow Community. M. Roe explained the origins, process and meaning behind the art project “Abstract City Hall.” S. MacLeod informed the committee that The Willow Community envisioned showing the piece through an Opening Reception. T. O. Hope questioned what the ideal timeline for installing the art pieces would be. S. MacLeod noted that late- September would be ideal. S. MacLeod also stressed that the Mayor’s presence at the opening would be welcomed.

**Action:** Staff will move forward with installing the artwork.

**9. Date of next meeting**

Wednesday, August 29, 2018 at 4:30pm in the Burgoyne Woods Room, City Hall

**10. Motion to Adjourn**

Moved: S. Ashukian      Carried.

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