
Present:

Councillor Kooner, Chairperson
Councillor Stutt, Vice-Chair
C. Girardi
H. Madsen
K. Cheung
M. Cheema 6:05 pm

Absent:

R. Pandher
C. Henry

Staff Present:

Councillor Annis
L. Cavan, General Manager, Parks, Culture & Recreation
R. Gallagher, Manager, Culture
Y. Asadian, Community Enhancement Manager
N. Kothiwala, Community Services Coordinator
S. Lee, Administrative Assistant
S. Chand, Committee Clerk

A. ADOPTIONS**1. Adoption of the Agenda**

It was

Moved by C. Girardi
Seconded by Councillor Stutt
That the agenda of the Arts and Culture
Advisory Committee meeting of January 16, 2024, be amended to change the order
of staff presentations, be adopted.

Carried

2. Adoption of the Minutes

It was

Moved by Councillor Stutt
Seconded by H. Madsen
That the minutes of the Arts and Culture
Advisory Committee meeting of October 17, 2023, be adopted.

Carried

STAFF PRESENTATIONS**1. Festival and Events Team 2023 Events (FEST)**

Nasima Kothiwala, Community Services Coordinator

Staff provided a PowerPoint presentation on community events and cultural festivals that were hosted in Surrey 2023. It was noted that the FEST Committee is responsible for reviewing outdoor events held on City Land with an attendance of over 250 people.

The Committee praised staff for their presentation and expressed appreciation for their hard work in ensuring the successful and safe delivery of events. They acknowledged the considerable effort that goes into managing the backend planning logistics for large events.

Y. Asadian and N. Kothiwala left at 6:11 pm

2. Public Art Update

Ryan Gallagher, Manager of Culture

Staff provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting various public art projects recently completed, underway and upcoming, including:

- Public Art Selection Panel recommendations for public art opportunities at Edgewood Park and Latimer Park;
- Images were shared of recently completed public art projects, including:
 - Joan Williams (west side of bridge) and Phyllis Atkins (east side of bridge) have artworks on the new King George Bridge at Nicomekl;
 - The Living Fraser by Casto Solano at Fraser Heights Recreation Centre;
 - Tlááh Schache 'Saltwater Relatives' by Roxanne Charles at Blackie Spit Park;
 - King George Bridge at Nicomekl (artists: Joan Williams and Phyllis Atkins) and Fraser Heights Recreation Centre (artist: Casto Solano);
 - Designs by Natache Gabriel, Cara Guri, Kiranjot Kaur and Shail Mroke are now featured on eight Utility Boxes on King George Boulevard, between 74 Avenue and 72 Avenue.
- Update on various Private Development Public Art Projects:
 - R6 Rapid Bus Route now open and features numerous artworks installed through the corridors by artists Keerat Kaur, Jessie Sohpaal, and Angela Aujla;
 - Preliminary Public Art Plans for three different private developments such as Halo, King George Hub and Fleetwood Village. Next stage will be for each project to complete a detailed Public Art Plan in due course;
 - Discussion regarding the formation and review process of the public art selection panelists.

It was

Moved by H. Madsen

Seconded by C. Girardi

That the Arts & Culture Advisory

Committee recommends that the General Manager of Parks, Recreation and Culture prepare a Corporate Report to Council recommending staff undertake a contract with the Artist, Edward Fu-Chen Juan to implement a public artwork at Edgewood Park.

Carried

AND;

It was

Moved by H. Madsen

Seconded by K. Cheung

That the Arts & Culture Advisory

Committee recommends that the General Manager of Parks, Recreation and Culture prepare a Corporate Report to Council recommending staff undertake a contract with the Artist, Anja Novkovic to implement a public artwork at Latimer Park.

Carried

Councillor Annis left at 6:17 pm

3. Photography Lab

Ryan Gallagher, Manager of Culture

At the previous meeting, the Committee requested staff to conduct some research on the darkroom/photo lab spaces within municipal facilities. Staff reported the following findings:

- No municipalities in Metro Vancouver appeared to be operating a photo lab/ darkroom;
- There are several private darkroom/photolabs locations and program across Metro Vancouver;
- Limited demand for this type of service/amenity with the intensification of digital media;
- Lack of space in current city facilities for such an amenity.

Discussion ensued around determining potential collaborations with Surrey Libraries on more digitization services. The Staff will scan the Surrey School District for photo labs to be aware of any possible locations in Surrey.

C. REPORT

1. Civic Distinction Awards

Ryan Gallagher, Manager of Culture

Staff provided an overview of the report that was circulated to the Committee.

It was

Moved by Councillor Stutt

Seconded by H. Madsen

That the Arts & Culture Advisory

Committee receive the Civic Distinction Awards report for information.

Carried

Following that the Chair opened the floor to discuss member appointment to help adjudicate the Arts Awards, part of the Civic Distinction Awards.

Moved by K. Cheung

Seconded by H. Madsen

That the Arts & Culture Advisory

Committee appoint C. Girardi to be a member of the adjudication committee for the Arts Awards as part of the 2024 Civic Distinction Awards.

Carried

D. INFORMATION ITEMS**1. Verbal Updates**

The Staff Liaisons provided verbal updates on upcoming cultural events in Surrey, including::

- Museum of Surrey and Surrey Art Gallery upcoming exhibits;
- Upcoming shows hosted by Surrey Civic Theatres;
- Heritage services activities and exhibits.

Staff advised that a future facility would provide spaces to support Indigenous cultural practices and that they are still working to do more engagement with Indigenous communities. Staff will report back to the committee with updates at future meetings. Information was also shared on the origins of the name Royal Kwantlen Park.

2. 2024 Meeting Schedule

The Committee received the 2024 Meeting Schedule in the agenda package for information purposes. Discussion followed on hosting a future meeting at the Surrey Art Gallery.

It was

Moved by Councillor Stutt

Seconded by H. Madsen

That the Arts & Culture Advisory

Committee adopt the 2024 Meeting Schedule as presented.

AND;

It was

Moved by Councillor Stutt

Seconded by H. Madsen

That the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee

recommends that the staff organize a future meeting at the Surrey Art Gallery.

E. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

F. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, February 20, 2024.

G ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by K. Cheung
Seconded by C. Girardi
That the Arts and Culture Advisory

Committee meeting be adjourned at 6:43 pm.

Carried

Jennifer Ficocelli, City Clerk

Councillor Kooner, Chairperson

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RECOMMENDATION INDEX
January 16, 2024**

**1. Parks, Recreation and Culture Department public art recommendations for
Latimer Park and Edgewood Park**

File: 0550-01

That Council:

1. Receive the reports dated Feb 7, 2024 for information regarding public art recommendations.
2. Authorize staff to contract Anja Novkovic to complete a public artwork at Latimer Park, as generally described in this report and attached as Appendix "I".
3. Authorize staff to contract Edward Fu-Chen Juan to complete a public artwork at Edgewood Park, as generally described in this report and attached as Appendix "I".