

Present:

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

Absent:

R. Pandher
C. Henry

Staff Present:

L. Cavan, General Manager, Parks, Culture & Recreation
R. Gallagher, Manager, Culture
A. Rajah, Manager Surrey Art Gallery
S. Chand, Administrative Assistant

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

It was Moved by C. Girardi
Seconded by H. Madsen
That the agenda of the Arts and Culture
Advisory Committee meeting of February 20, 2024, be adopted as presented.
Carried

2. Adoption of the Minutes

It was Moved by C. Girardi
Seconded by K. Cheung
That the minutes of the Arts and Culture
Advisory Committee meeting of January 16, 2024 be adopted.
Carried

B. STAFF PRESENTATIONS**1. UrbanScreen**

Alison Rajah, Manager Surrey Art Gallery

Staff provided a PowerPoint presentation on the history of the UrbanScreen and plans to move it to Surrey Civic Plaza. Highlights included:

- UrbanScreen was launched by the City of Surrey in 2010 as an innovative public art venue at Chuck Bailey Recreation Centre.
- The UrbanScreen is programmed by Surrey Art Gallery
- Examples of previous UrbanScreen projects were shown to the Committee;
- Brief overview of the proposal for UrbanScreen at Surrey Civic Plaza. It was noted that an award of contract report was expected to go to the February 27, 2024, City Council meeting.

Staff provided further information on the next steps for the upcoming project, which involves testing in the fall of 2024 and a full year of programming beginning in 2025. Discussion continued regarding project phases and the importance of providing opportunities for artists and the vibrancy the project will bring to City Centre. Further updates will be provided at a future meeting.

A. Rajah left at 6:19 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:

- Recently completed private development public art project: “Becoming” by Suchi Reddy, located at University Dr & 104 Ave. Same artist will create designs to cover the five utility boxes close by to ensure connection between the public artwork;
- Staff highlighted some new upcoming civic public art projects, including:
 - A mural opportunity on the north façade of Surrey Nature Centre;
 - Additional public art street banners to be included along City Parkway to help add vibrancy to the streetscape, between 102 Avenue and 104 Avenue;
 - An opportunity to enhance the bridge infrastructure on 84 Avenue.
- Overview of the recommended design for the 2024 Public Art Street Banners by artists Puneet Datewas and Andrew Talbot;
- Update on preliminary public art plan for private development by Urban Craft at Whalley Boulevard and Central Avenue. Opportunity for this project is to enhance large metal façade fronting Whalley Boulevard. Motion to accept the Urban Craft Preliminary Public Art Plan as presented.

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 Artists, Puneet Datewas and Andrew Talbot to design the 2024 Public Art Street Banners.

Carried

AND;

It was

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

Committee accept the Urban Craft Preliminary Public Art as presented

Carried

C. REPORT**1. Community Garden Mural Proposal**

Ryan Gallagher, Manager of Culture

Staff provided an overview of the Mural Proposal “Community Gardens” report that was circulated to the committee. A detailed rendering of the proposed mural was shared which gave the committee members a visual representation of the sunflowers that would be painted by the artist, Carla Maskall. Additionally, staff provided background information on mural guidelines.

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 approval of the mural titled “Community Gardens” at 12310 Beecher Street.

Carried

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

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

- Museum of Surrey: Lunar New Year Celebration event; and popular Lego Exhibit;
- New community art display was installed at Cloverdale Recreation Centre, celebrating Black History Month;
- Brief update on the development of future entertainment districts in City Centre and Cloverdale noted by the mayor at recent State of the City Address: <https://www.surrey.ca/news-events/news/mayor-brenda-lockes-first-state-of-city-address>

E. OTHER BUSINESS

This section has no items.

F. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, 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

**ARTS AND CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION INDEX
February 20, 2024**

That Council:

1. Approve the recommendations of the report Community Garden Mural Proposal; and
2. Direct staff undertake a contract with the Artists, Puneet Datewas and Andrew Talbot to design the 2024 Public Art Street Banners.