NOTES REGULAR CULTURAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE BOWEN PARK COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM WEDNESDAY, 2012-FEB-01, COMMENCING AT 4:15 P.M.

PRESENT: Eveline O'Rourke, Chair

Members: Commissioner Lynda Avis @ 4:19

Commissioner Diana Johnstone @ 4:21

Commissioner Shirley Lance Commissioner Fred Pattje @ 4:20

Ms. Julie Bevan Ms. Gerda Hofman Ms. Joanne Husband Ms. Jeorge McGladrey Ms. Kamal Parmar

Regrets: Ms. Joanne Husband

S. Samborski

B. Kuhn

Staff: K. MacDonald R. Tweed, recording

1. <u>CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:</u>

The Regular Meeting of the Cultural Committee was called to order at 4:17 p.m.

2. <u>INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS</u>:

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

4. <u>ADOPTION OF MEETING NOTES:</u>

(a) Notes of the Regular Cultural Committee Meeting held Wednesday, 2012-JAN-04, at 4:20 p.m., in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room.

It was moved and seconded that the Meeting Notes be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. <u>DELEGATIONS:</u> (None.)

6. <u>COMMISSION REPORT</u>:

Commissioners Pattje, Avis, and Lance as well as Staff provided verbal reports on the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission meeting held on Wednesday, 2012-JAN-25.

It was moved and seconded that the Commission Reports be received. The motion carried unanimously.

7. REPORTS OF PROJECT COMMITTEES:

(a) <u>Cultural Award Committee.</u> Chair O'Rourke reported on the meeting held 2012-JAN-27.

The Cultural Awards will be held on 2012-MAR-28 from 7:00 p.m. to approximately 9:30 p.m. The catering will be provided by "The Good Cooking Guys". The Committee intends to have short films of both Marian Smith and her choir, and Jillian Vanstone on the backdrops. They will not have additional entertainment; however, there will be background music before and after the event. Flowers will be provided by Turley's. Gary Peters will provide photographic services. Slide shows will be running on the lobby monitors if possible.

It was moved and seconded that the verbal report be received. The motion carried unanimously.

(b) Art in Public Places Project Committee.

A street banner competition is being held and closes 2012-FEB-15. This is the second street banner competition that has been held and it is hoped that the competition will become an annual event. Parks, Recreation and Culture have taken on the RFP portion – this was traditionally something that had been done by the Visual Identity Committee. The judging will be done by committee – which will include Cultural Committee representation as well as Department staff. Selection of the winners will take place in the last week of February. Gerda Hofman and Kamal Parmar volunteered to participate on the selection committee as the Cultural Committee representatives.

It was moved and seconded that the verbal report be received. The motion carried unanimously.

(c) <u>Cultural Forum Project Committee.</u> (No Report.)

8. STAFF REPORTS:

(a) <u>2012 TEMPORARY PUBLIC ART SELECTIONS.</u>

<u>Staff's Recommendation:</u> That the Cultural Committee recommend that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend that Council approve the 2012 Temporary Public Art Selections.

The Committee reviewed submissions from 17 artists. There were quite a few in the large scale submissions – which were more difficult to choose from than the small scale. There were fewer submissions in the small scale. The honorarium to artists is \$4,000.00 for large scale pieces, and \$1,000 for small scale pieces.

David Moench, Yvonne Vander Kooi and Nadine Wiepning will be approached regarding scaling down their pieces. The Committee liked their submissions, but would like to approach them to ask if they would be interested in scaling down and be part of the small scale submissions. With the original scale the Committee considered implementation issues, track record of the artist, and the possibility of the pieces being unsalable due to their sizes. Also, to have added them in at full price it would have been an extra \$9,000. If the work is scaled down, what does it do to the work? Gerda Hofman advised that as an artist, it is just part of doing business and the content of the work is not impacted. Julie Bevan advised that the content of the work is not changing. The level of detail will be the same. Next year if Temporary Public Art is again approved, the guidelines will be tightened up to make the parameters clearer. The material used for the Gates of Opportunity piece is chrome plated and oxidized steel. All pieces would all be in place for one year, from the second week in May to end of April, 2013. Existing pieces will be auctioned off at the end of April, 2012.

It was moved and seconded that the recommendation be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

- 9. <u>STAFF REPORTS (Information Only):</u> (None.)
- 10. <u>CORRESPONDENCE:</u> (Action) (None.)

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- 11. NOTICE OF MOTION: (None.)
- 12. <u>CONSIDERATION OF OTHER BUSINESS:</u> (None.)
- 13. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS: (None.)
- 14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
 - (a) Temporary Public Art Piece Donation Mrs. Lee-Ann Stark, President, and Mr. Warren Jacques, Secretary, Newcastle Neighbourhood Association (NNA).

The Committee requested that Bob Kuhn to follow up with Mrs. Stark and Mr. Jacques to determine if they have had the structural report completed and still wish to proceed with the donation.

The Committee asked if the Department ever receives any feedback or acknowledgement from Tourists regarding the public art displays. Yes, through Ask PRC and Facebook. Staff will collect information and comments on public art from the public in April to raise awareness before the auction and new unveiling.

The Committee asked if the Temporary Public Art is marketed through the Activity Guide. No; however, Temporary Public Art is also a partnership through the Art Gallery, so they may have more information. The Art Gallery site does have the interpretive plaques.

Commissioner Pattje congratulated Ms. Julie Bevan on her recent appointment as the new Manager of the Nanaimo Art Gallery. Ms. Bevan will be assuming the position on Mr. Ed Poli's retirement.

- 15. QUESTION PERIOD: (No questions.)
- 16. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

It was moved and seconded at 4:48 p.m. that the meeting adjourn, with the next Meeting of the Cultural Committee to be held Wednesday, 2012-MAR-07, commencing at 4:15 p.m. in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room.

The motion carried unanimously.

Eveline O'Rourke, Chair Cultural Committee

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APPROVED FOR DISTRIBUTION:

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