

**NOTES
REGULAR CULTURAL COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE BOWEN PARK COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM
WEDNESDAY, 2010-JUN-02, COMMENCING AT 4:15 P.M.**

PRESENT: Commissioner Lynda Avis, Acting Chair

Members: Commissioner Shirley Lance
Commissioner Fred Pattje
Ms. Lynne Fraser
Ms. Joanne Husband
Ms. Gerda Hofman
Mr. Simon Schachner

Absent: Ms. Eveline O'Rourke, Chair
Mr. Simon Schachner
Ms. George McGladrey

Staff: S. Samborski R. Tweed, recording
B. Kuhn

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Cultural Committee was called to order at 4:15 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

4. ADOPTION OF MEETING NOTES:

- (a) Notes of the Regular Cultural Committee Meeting held Wednesday, 2010-APR-07 at 4:15 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Bowen Park Complex.

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

5. DELEGATIONS:

It was moved and seconded that the Delegations be permitted to address the Cultural Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

- (a) Mr. Bill Perison, on behalf of the Nanaimo Arts Council, 259 - 4750 Rutherford Road, Nanaimo, BC V9T 4K6, providing a presentation to the Cultural Committee regarding the 2010 Arts-Based Community Development Project entitled: In a Different Scale. The public event for the project will be "Play the City" to be held 2010-JUN-12, at 1:30 p.m., in Diana Krall Plaza.

Mr. Perison provided a handout “In A Different Scale” from the Nanaimo Arts Council as part of his presentation. The event on 2010-JUN-12 various percussionist drummers will be playing in parts of Diana Krall Plaza and will be creating sound on the various art pieces in the Plaza. Mr. Perison played tone samples on downtown sounds – tattoo shop needle, penny whistler, traffic, cross walk signal, showing how it builds a person’s aural awareness of the ebb and flow of our environment.

- (b) Ms. Patricia Blakney Huntsman, Arts & Cultural Management Consulting, of Nanaimo, BC providing a presentation and offering her arts and cultural management service to the Committee.

Ms. Blakney Huntsman provided a slide show of projects that have been accomplished throughout the world by the LCR group, information as to her education, background, and the services that she and the LCR group could provide to the City of Nanaimo.

6. COMMISSION REPORT:

Commissioner Pattje reported on the 2010-MAY-26 meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission:

- Charles Thirkill presented on the Lotus Pinnatus – moving forward to Council with unanimous decision. Island Timberlands own the property and have provided a lot of support to The Friends of Harewood Plains.
- VIEx were successful in their request for VIP funding for development of a Community Gardens on the VIEx grounds.
- Nanaimo White Rapids Swim Club provided a presentation and was approved at the Commission level for a license of use agreement – moving forward to Council.

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

7. REPORTS OF PROJECT COMMITTEES:

- (a) Cultural Award Committee. (None.)

Staff to start the advertising process with probable deadline for mid to late September. Committee formation to occur at the July meeting.

- (b) Art in Public Places Project Committee. (None.)

- (c) Cultural Forum Project Committee. Ms. Lynne Fraser reported on the Cultural Forum Project and how well received the presentations and information provided was. Social networking presentation by Staff was very good. For next year’s forum having the on line survey sent to Nanaimo arts and cultural groups, and then getting the results and analyzing them is a good tool. This should start early next year. There were a number of questions on how the Cultural Committee members are appointed and it was thought that perhaps a personal presentation describing the formation and role of the Cultural Committee could be made to cultural organizations to further clarify and educate these organizations regarding the Cultural Committee. Additionally, members felt that the Cultural Committee information should be easier to find on the City website. Any information

provided to other groups with regard to the Cultural Committee should be consistent. Committee members requested that they receive a copy of Jeremy Long's report. *[Note: this report sent via e-mail to the membership on 2010-JUN-04 by Staff.]*

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

8. STAFF REPORTS: (None.)
9. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (staff reports): (None.)
10. CORRESPONDENCE: (Action) (None.)

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- (a) Letter of thanks dated 2010-MAY-11 from Ms. Holly Bright, Artistic Director/Producer, Crimson Coast Dance Society, with regard to receiving the "Honour In Culture" award from the City of Nanaimo.
- (b) Letter of thanks dated 2010-MAY-12 from Mr. Michael Wright, General Manager, Crimson Coast Dance Society, with regard to the support received for their event "Voices in Motion, Bodies That Sing" and enclosing their final report.

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

11. NOTICE OF MOTION: (None.)
12. CONSIDERATION OF OTHER BUSINESS: (None.)
13. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS:

Delegations received.

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- (a) Community Plan for Public Art.

It was moved and seconded that Item 14.(a) be removed from Unfinished Business. The motion carried unanimously.

- (b) Spirit Eagle Bid - The City of Nanaimo was the successful bidder in the amount of \$2,600.00 on the "River Flight" eagle painted by Fred Peters. Committee members were provided with a photographic illustration of the eagle. It will be displayed in Maffeo Sutton Park in the summer of 2010, with a possible placement near the estuary.

It was moved and seconded that Item 14.(b) be removed from Unfinished Business. The motion carried unanimously.

- (c) Temporary Public Art Calls - Committee members were provided with photographic illustrations of a few of the temporary art pieces. There will be another temporary public art call going out – there are six spots that remain to be filled in order to have some additional art work in the Park. Mr. Ed Poli, Manager, Nanaimo Art Gallery, has received a few submissions and everything should be in place by 2010-JUL-01.

It was moved and seconded that Item 14.(c) be removed from Unfinished Business. The motion carried unanimously.

15. QUESTION PERIOD:

- (a) Commissioner Avis asked if it is possible to consider having some type of explanation plaque attached to the tuning fork in Diana Krall Plaza. Other Committee members were mixed in their thoughts and it was felt that further thought should be given to this.
- (b) Commissioner Lance went past the conference centre and noted that the sign board regarding the mural has not been up and there is no sandwich board on the outside and no signage in the interior advising that the mural is open for viewing. Commissioner Lance feels that the VICC is not promoting the mural. Ms. Hofman goes by the VICC twice per day and advised that there is no sign board erected. Staff to follow up on the sign board. The VICC is not accessible on the weekend. Ms. Husband asked if there is information on the City website advising that the mural is available. Staff to follow up.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 5:13 p.m. that the meeting adjourn, with the next Meeting of the Cultural Committee to be held Wednesday, 2010-JUL-07, commencing at 4:15 p.m. in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room. The motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner Lynda Avis, Acting Chair
Cultural Committee

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APPROVED FOR DISTRIBUTION:

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S. Samborski, Senior Manager
Recreation and Culture Services

Richard Harding, Director
Parks, Recreation and Culture