

MINUTES
OPEN COMMUNITY VITALITY COMMITTEE MEETING
BOARD ROOM, SERVICE AND RESOURCE CENTRE
411 DUNSMUIR STREET, NANAIMO, BC
WEDNESDAY, 2017-JUL-05, AT 4:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Members: Councillor G. W. Fuller, Chair

Erin Hemmens
Rob McGregor
Dennis McMahon
Ingrid Sly
Paula Waatainen
Councillor M. D. Brennan

Absent: Michele Green
 Councillor J. Hong

Staff: Bruce Anderson, Manager, Community and Cultural Planning
 Chris Sholberg, Culture/Heritage Planner
 Chris Barfoot, Culture & Heritage Coordinator
 Peggi Humphreys, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE COMMUNITY VITALITY COMMITTEE MEETING TO ORDER:

The Open Community Vitality Committee Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

- (a) D. McMahon advised that he would be bringing forward an item under Other Business regarding an examination of the Committee Terms of Reference and Operating Guidelines. It was requested that this item be moved forward in the Agenda to the beginning of the meeting.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Regular Open Meeting of the Community Vitality Committee held in the Board Room, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Wednesday, 2017-JUN-07 at 4:30 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. ADMINISTRATION:

(a) Cancellation of 2017-AUG-02 Community Vitality Meeting

It was confirmed that the next Community Vitality Committee meeting scheduled for 2017-AUG-02 has been cancelled.

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

(a) Examination of the Committee Terms of Reference and Operating Guidelines

Points were clarified in discussion of the Committee's Terms of Reference and Operating Guidelines documents, including the following:

- Strategic directions for the Committee are determined by Council.
- Requests from the Committee for Council must be communicated through Staff.
- The Committee membership was confirmed by Staff as nine members in total with three of these members being Councillors.
- Quorum for the Committee is five members.

7. PRESENTATIONS:

(a) 2017 Temporary Public Art Program Update

Mr. Chris Barfoot, Culture and Heritage Coordinator, provided a presentation featuring the 2017 temporary public artworks now installed downtown. The process for choosing proposals, the newly released 2017 Temporary Public Art Tour brochure and the City's ArtApp for smartphones were discussed. Other related public art initiatives presented included street banners and artwork commissioned in collaboration with Snuneymuxw First Nation for the Water Treatment Plant and the Departure Bay Walkway. Another project identified was artwork on the Colliery Dam Auxilliary Spillway. Interest was noted in learning more about the history and care of local petroglyphs and it was suggested that the topic be included in an upcoming presentation on archaeological studies.

8. REPORTS:

(a) Tommy Douglas Memorial Plaque Location – Additional Sites

Six new possible sites were presented in the Staff report for consideration. Committee members were most interested in two of these sites:

- Site No. 6 – Waterfront walk near Georgia Park (Canoe Park); and,
- Site No. 1- Planter near the Bastion.

Members felt the location chosen should have frequent foot traffic going past, be aesthetically beautiful, and be suitable for housing a significant monument to honour this highly-regarded, important historical figure for Canada. The planter near the

Bastion location is assumed to be owned and maintained by the City. The Waterfront Walk site near Georgia Park (Canoe Park) is assumed to be owned by the Port Authority, but this will be confirmed as the project proceeds.

It was moved and seconded that the Community Vitality Committee choose Option No. 6, the waterfront walk near Georgia Park (Canoe Park) site for the location of a Tommy Douglas Memorial Plaque, along with Option No. 1, the planter near the Bastion as a back-up site if the preferred site cannot be used. The motion carried unanimously.

Staff advised that permission from the Port Authority to locate the memorial on the waterfront walk needs to be obtained before installation details can be finalized. Staff will communicate with the Port Authority and will report back to the Committee with a confirmed site and detailed installation plan.

(b) 2016 Culture and Heritage Report Card

Chris Sholberg, Culture/Heritage Planner, introduced the *2016 Culture & Heritage Report Card* which captures an annual snapshot of culture and heritage activities in Nanaimo.

(c) 2017 Social Planning Grant Program


By unanimous consent the Social Planning Grant Program application package was received for information.

9. QUESTION PERIOD:

- Mr. Dennis McMahon, re: will the Community Vitality Committee have the opportunity to give input to the 1 Port Drive Committee regarding affordable housing within new developments on the waterfront? B. Anderson explained that the Port Drive Waterfront Master Plan is within the scope of the Community Planning and Development Committee. Comments from individuals are welcome. B. Anderson confirmed that one representative from the Community Vitality Committee will be appointed to the Affordable Housing Strategy Steering Committee who may offer input on future housing in waterfront developments.

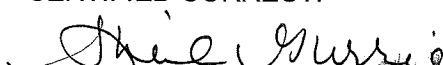
10. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 5:46 p.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.



CHAIR

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CORPORATE OFFICER