Corporation of the City of
NEW WESTMINSTER

# Arts Advisory Committee Meeting
# Agenda

**Thursday, May 5, 2022, 5:30 p.m.**
**Electronic and in Meeting Room G**
**Lower Level, City Hall**

**We recognize and respect that New Westminster is on the unceded and unsurrendered land of the Halkomelem speaking peoples. We acknowledge that colonialism has made invisible their histories and connections to the land. As a City, we are learning and building relationships with the people whose lands we are on.**

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**Pages**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
   The Chair will open the meeting and provide a land acknowledgement.

2. INTRODUCTIONS AND ICEBREAKERS

3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
   Additions or deletion of items.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

   4.1. Minutes of April 7, 2022 — 3

5. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS
   Staff and guest reports and presentations for information, discussion, and/or action

   5.1. Selection Panel Appointments
   *Appointment of selection panel representatives (non-voting) for upcoming juries (Public Library and Capture Photography Festival)*

   5.2. Public Art Project Updates

   5.3. New Media Gallery Summer Exhibition and Community Programming

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

   6.1. Standing Reports and Updates Section of the Agenda

## 7. STANDING REPORTS AND UPDATES

Regular and ongoing reports from staff or members for information and discussion.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

Items added to the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

## 9. MOTION TO MOVE THE MEETING INTO THE CLOSED MEETING

THAT the committee will now go into a meeting which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 90(1)(k) of the Community Charter:

(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

## 10. END OF MEETING

## 11. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Remaining scheduled meetings for 2022, which take place at 5:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted:

- June 2
- July 7
- August 4
- September 1
- December 1

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# ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# MINUTES

**Thursday, April 7, 2022**
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| PRESENT | |
| Councillor Mary Trentadue* | Chair |
| Sienna Campbell* | Community Representative |
| Erin Jeffrey* | Representative, Local Not-for-Profit Arts Sector |
| Stephen O'Shea | Representative, Arts Council of New Westminster |
| Anjana Pradhananga* | Urban Designers, Architects, Landscape Architects |
| Kelly Proznik | Representative, Education Sector |
| Julia Schoennagel* | Artist, New Westminster Based |
| Giulia Setticasi* | Community Representative |
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| REGRETS | |
| Sonyowah Elijah | Artist, New Westminster Based |
| Ezra King | Community Representative |
| Jas Lally | Arts Professional |
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| STAFF | |
| Todd Ayotte | Manager, Community Arts and Theatre |
| Quyen Hoang | Public and Community Art Coordinator |
| Katie Stobbart | Committee Clerk |

*Denotes electronic attendance

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Councillor Trentadue opened the meeting at 5:32 p.m. and recognized with respect that New Westminster is on the unceded and unsurrendered land of the Halkomelem speaking peoples. She acknowledged that colonialism has made invisible their histories and connections to the land. She recognized that, as a

City, we are learning and building relationships with the people whose lands we are on.

## 2. INTRODUCTIONS AND ICEBREAKERS

Julia Schoennagel, Artist, New Westminster based, announced an Artists for Ukraine event taking place at Massey Theatre on April 8 to 9.

## 3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Arts Advisory Committee add the Poet Laureate Program to the agenda as Item 5.3.

**Carried.**

All members present voted in favour of the motion.

## 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

### 4.1 Minutes of March 3, 2022

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the March 3, 2022 Arts Advisory Committee meeting be adopted.

**Carried.**

All members voted in favour of the motion.

## 5. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

### 5.1 Public Art Project Update

Quyen Hoang, Public and Community Art Coordinator, reviewed the "Public Art Projects Update" memo.

In response to questions from the Committee, Ms. Hoang advised:

- The City has not yet signed the contract with the artist who will create the installation on the façade of City Hall. The artist has

proposed an engagement plan which will consider people with lived experiences around police reform;

- Once the contract for the Agnes Greenway has been finalized, the artist will further define what is meant by youth artists and who that will apply to;
- There is no policy about commissioning the same artist multiple times. We want to ensure that a diversity of artists are represented and do discuss when artists have been hired before as part of the selection process, but also do not want to preclude an artist if they are right for the opportunity;
- It was determined in consultation with the Public Art Advisory Committee that the reach of the Artist Roster call should be the Lower Mainland. Artists were asked in their expression of interest to share their knowledge, connection, or experience with New Westminster; and
- Artist Roster can be used to support opportunities initiated by other City departments orlocal businesses and organizations.

**Procedural Note:** Julia Schoennagel left the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

### 5.2 Public Art Plan

Quyen Hoang, Public and Community Art Coordinator, reviewed the "Public Art Plan" memo.

The Committee voiced its support for the plan, particularly the community consultation aspect.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Arts Advisory Committee endorse the development of a Public Art Plan, including funding of a consultant and community consultation process.

**Carried.**

All members present voted in favour of the motion.

### 5.3 Poet Laureate Program

Todd Ayotte, Manager, Community Arts and Theatre, advised that in honour of National Poetry Month, Elliott Slinn, the City of New Westminster's fifth Poet Laureate, has created a digital project called Common Threads, which displays four one-line poems on electronic display screens at the entrance points to the city.



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## 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There were no items.

## 7. STANDING REPORTS AND UPDATES

Erin Jeffrey, Representative, Local Not-for-Profit Arts Sector, advised that Massey Theatre has a call out for arts activators, and that their community nights will start in the next two weeks. She also encouraged the committee to go see *Bear Grease*, which is showing at Massey Theatre on April 9 and 10.

The Committee discussed how best to use the Standing Reports and Updates section of the agenda going forward, noting the following:

- Rather than having representatives deliver reports as with the previous Arts Commission, Arts Advisory Committee members could share experiences and observations in relation to the local arts community;
- The Committee would like to invite representatives from New Westminster arts organizations to report on their activities, challenges, etc.

The Committee decided to continue this discussion at the next meeting of the Arts Advisory Committee, once members have considered how they might like to contribute to the conversation.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

There were no items.

## 9. END OF MEETING

The meeting ended at 6:33 p.m.

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| Mary Trentadue<br>Chair | Katie Stobbart<br>Committee Clerk |

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