



MINUTES OF THE ARTS, RECREATION, CULTURE AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE

HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
20399 Douglas Crescent

TUESDAY, April 28, 2026

7:00pm

Committee Members: Councillor Rosemary Wallace; Councillor Leith White; Toqa Abu Alkas, Langley Community Services Representative; Andrew Palmer, Member at Large; Ronald Trainor, Member at Large; Mandy Martens, Member at Large; Susan Magnusson Langley Performing Arts Representative; Lana Kirkwood, Indigenous Peoples Representative; Liam McCarney, Youth Representative

Staff: Kim Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services; Michele Payne, Recreation Supervisor; Jinsil Haveliwalla, Recreation Programmer

Regrets: Lin Maxwell, Member at Large; Sandra Reams, Seniors Representative; Diane Gendron, Langley Arts Representative; Sandy Dimond, Langley Performing Arts Representative; Michael Paylor, Member at Large

The land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui, and Semiahmoo First Nations.

Before the official meeting began, introductions were made and new members were welcomed.

Ms. Martens entered at 7:14pm

1. AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the April 28, 2026, Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the March 24, 2026, minutes of the Arts, Recreation, Culture and Heritage Committee be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. **PRESENTATION**

Kim Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services, shared a PowerPoint presentation on Invest Langley City which is a communication platform that the city is promoting to engage community members in their interest to fund an expanded Al Anderson Memorial Pool and/or a performing arts centre as these facilities are currently unfunded.

The goal of this engagement is to determine if this is something the community is interested in and agreeable to pay for the Want to find out if this is something the community is interested in moving forward with one, or both, of these projects, and agreeable to funding them.

Councillor White entered at 7:34pm

4. **FOR DISCUSSION**

a) Douglas Park Washroom Mural.

The Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services, shared the Call for Artists for the mural highlighting that we are looking for an artist collective to collaborate on the design, and that artwork illustrates the history of the park, the diversity of the park users, and the events and activities that take place there. The committed specified that an artist collective be a minimum of two artists and that the artists are to collaborate on a cohesive design.

A discussion on the artist fee transpired, as well as a request to reach out the Douglas Park Pickleball Club to see if they are interested in contributing to the cost of the mural.

There is currently \$46,000.00 in the public art fund and this fund does receive an annual contribution of between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Arts, Recreation, Culture and Heritage Committee recommend that council approve a fee of \$12,000.00 which includes artists fees and supplies, for the design and construction of a mural on the Douglas Park outdoor washroom illustrating the history of the park, the diversity of park users, and the events and activities that take place there.

CARRIED

b) Crime Prevention Mural

The Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services advised that we will have the mural schedule to be mounted on May 5th on the North side of Timms Community Centre. A ribbon cutting will be organized and members will be invited.

5. **2026 WORKPLAN** – Update as needed

- a) Langley City Film Festival. April 2-3, 2027. The theme is the roll of storytelling in modern film making. Submissions will open in September 2026.
- b) Glover Road Gateway Sculpture. Ongoing. This will be discussed at the May meeting.
- c) Heritage Markers. Ongoing. Further discussion to take place in July 2026. Salt Lane, Federal Building, Michaud House, Grove of Trees Music School, Langley Central School.
- d) Heritage Buildings and Artifacts. Task Group is Ms. Maxwell, Ms. Martens, Ms. Magnusson and Councillor White. Ongoing.
- e) Skytrain Car Upcycle. Volunteer Rail Sub-Committee is Mr. Palmer, Mr. Trainor, Ms. Maxwell, Ms. Martens, Councillor Wallace. Ongoing.

6. **ROUNDTABLE**

In a roundtable, the following was discussed:

The Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services advised that summer swim lessons will open for registration on April 29th and planning for Community Day is underway.

AccessAbility Week is May 31-June 6. This week recognizes the important contributions of people with disabilities and encourages efforts to remove barriers, creating a fair and welcoming society for everyone. The city will have a series of activities available to the community that week at no cost.

Lower Fraser Valley Aboriginal Society is hosting a march for MMIWG at Douglas Park Spirit Stage on May 5th from 11am to 1pm.

Langley Community Music School continues to support music education in the community by offering a free Tunes for Tots program on May 5th, an Open House on May 9th from 2pm-4pm and awarding scholarships such as the recent Young Composers' competition where three scholarships were awarded.

ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the meeting adjourned at 8:34pm

CARRIED



CHAIR

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RECREATION SUPERVISOR