



## MINUTES OF THE ARTS, RECREATION, CULTURE AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE

HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
20399 Douglas Crescent

TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025  
AT 7:00PM

**Committee Members:** Councillor Rosemary Wallace; Councillor Leith White; Susan Magnusson, Langley Performing Arts Representative; Lin Maxwell, Member at Large; Andrew Palmer, Youth Representative; Mandy Martens, Member at Large; Michael Paylor, Member at Large; Sandra Reams, Seniors Representative

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

**Regrets:** Diane Gendron, Langley Arts Council Representative

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

### 1. AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the March 25, 2025 agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

### 2. MINUTES

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the February 25, 2025, minutes of the Arts, Recreation, Culture and Heritage Committee be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

### 3. **FOR DISCUSSION**

#### a. Glover Road Gateway

The Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services suggested a two-part process that includes a) a request for qualifications that is then narrowed down to three proponents and then b) a request for concept proposal.

The budget for this art project is \$312,950.00. A portion of these funds will need to be kept for the installation, permitting and engineering costs, as well as a stipend to the shortlisted proponents.

The committee needs to consider a theme, the life expectancy of the artwork and 3D structure guiding principles.

A discussion on a theme and a style took place with the committee agreeing on a theme of 'Gateway to Innovation'. This theme considers the location which is the entry point to the Innovation Boulevard as depicted in our OCP, as well as bridging both indigenous history and the modernization of the area.

#### b. Heritage Markers

The Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services shared that the city had heritage markers made in partnership with Rotary during the years we competed in Communities in Bloom. Unfortunately, they did not last as it was paper under plexiglass. We have copies of all the content, and the idea is to use the same frames that were purchased for the recent James Douglas sign. Based on budget, we could add a certain number each year. The Director suggested that we could also connect with Discover Langley City to include the signs in a heritage walk.

Ms. Reams mentioned that there used to be a sign in front of Michaud House that is no longer there. Staff will investigate and see if any information can be found.

Ms. Magnusson mentioned the heritage grove at the Langley Community Music School. This will be added to the inventory.

#### c. 2025 Workplan

The committee discussed the draft workplan which includes the following:

1. Rotary Centennial Park Road Naming
2. 2025 Langley City Film Festival

3. Glover Road Gateway Sculpture.
  - a. Request for Qualifications: May to June
  - b. Request for Concept Proposal/shortlist to three artists: July to October
  - c. Commission artwork: November
4. Heritage Markers
  - a. Review content and prioritize locations: May
  - b. Create and install up to three: July-September
5. Heritage Buildings and Artifacts
6. Skytrain Upcycle.
  - a. Add the Co-Chair to the Task Group

IT WAS MOVED and SECONDED

THAT council considers the approval of the 2025 Arts, Recreation, Culture and Heritage Committee workplan.

CARRIED

#### 4. **STANDING ITEMS**

- a. Rotary Centennial Park Road naming. No update at this time.
- b. Rotary Park Tile Mural project: no update at this time.
- c. 2025 Langley City Film Festival: Mr. Paylor shared a sponsorship letter that he drafted and asked for feedback no later than April 4<sup>th</sup>. An official contact name and email needs to be added which can be Tera Edell and [recreation@langleycity.ca](mailto:recreation@langleycity.ca) . It was discussed that a meeting needs to be scheduled as soon as possible.
- d. Sir James Douglas Heritage signs: waiting for better weather to pour the concrete to install the frame.

#### 5. **FOR INFORMATION**

- a. Langley Arts Council Executive Director report. No report provided.

#### 6. **ROUNDTABLE**

Ms. Maxwell reported that Penny Pinchers is doing better this month and the roadwork in front of the store is nearing completion. Ms. Maxwell will be holding a painting workshop at the Cozy Bean on April 12<sup>th</sup> as a fundraiser for BC Cancer Society. The them is daffodils.

Ms. Martens shared that CLA hosted a community dinner for Raphael House families. They are also hosting a gala for Raphael House at the casino at the end of October. CLA will be doing BC Boxes of Love in May. The theme is love grows everywhere, and they will be donating a wishing tree to each school as well.

Ms. Magnusson. Young Composers competition is coming up on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Cascade Peaks Chamberfest: Academy and Festival is coming up June 16-23 and will be held at RockRidge Canyon. Last year they had 13 emerging artists and this year there are 36 and they are attending from all over North America.

The Chamber music camp dates have changed so the painting in the park will need to be held on July 11<sup>th</sup> instead of July 18<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Paylor shared that this community gaming month. On March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the BC government proclaimed a "Community Game Day" in the province, recognizing the power of games to bring people together and build social connection. Monday nights are drop-in board games at Timms and they consistently have 2-3 each week.

The Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services shared the spring/summer recreation guide and advised that council approved extending the Al Anderson Memorial Pool Season to September 28<sup>th</sup>. A new programmer position has also been approved and will focus on events, arts, culture and heritage.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

That the meeting adjourned 8:25pm.

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CHAIR

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RECREATION SUPERVISOR