

MINUTES OF THE ARTS, RECREATION, CULTURE AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE

HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 20399 Douglas Crescent

TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025 7:00pm

Committee Members: Councillor Rosemary Wallace; Susan Magnusson, Langley Performing Arts Representative; Andrew Palmer, Youth Representative; Diane Gendron, Langley Arts Council Representative; Sandra Reams, Seniors Representative

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

Regrets: Councillor Leith White; Mandy Martens, Member at Large; Lin Maxwell, Member at Large; Michael Paylor, Member at Large

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

1... AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the May 27, 2025, Agenda be adopted with the deferral of item 3d to the next meeting.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the April 22, 2025, minutes of the Arts, Recreation, Culture and Heritage Committee be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. FOR DISCUSSION

- a) Heritage Markers. The Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services began the process of collecting information on the selected sites and remarked that photos need to be taken. The selected locations are Langley High School, Federal Building, Innes Corners, Salt Lane, McBurney Lane/Plaza, Michaud House and the Langley Community Music School. This project is a work in progress. Staff hope to bring it to the Heritage Society for review and then back to the committee in the Fall.
- b) Rotary Park Tile Mural. The committee viewed one of the finished tiles and a conversation followed about the location of the mural took place. Due to the size and composition of the mural, the committee discussed Douglas Park as a possible location instead of Rotary Centennial as it is home to many events and is in an area that many families who have immigrated to Canada and Langley reside. Rotary Centennial Park has a mural that was created in 2023, and Douglas Park Recreation Center will be completing renovations that summer and has not had a mural completed in over 10 years.

Staff will investigate and report back at the next meeting.

- c) Sir James Douglas Heritage Signs Unveiling. The original date for the unveiling had a conflict. Invitations to a new date and time will be forwarded to committee members.
- d) Community to Community Forums: Successful Partnerships to Build Stronger Relationships with Our Neighbours. This item is deferred to the next meeting.

4. FOR INFORMATION

Lucion – Travelling Light catalogue was reviewed by the committee for information. Committee reviewed for information. The Chair that the Lumiere Festival Public Art exhibition in Vancouver is a great opportunity for artists to share their illuminated artworks with the community and perhaps we could consider something similar in the future.

- 5. 2025 WORKPLAN Update as needed
- a) Rotary Centennial Park Road Naming. Ongoing.
- b) Langley City Film Festival. The Film Festival committee will be meeting on Friday, May 30th. The deadline for submissions was extended and if they don't get enough film submissions, the festival will continue with perhaps shorter days as well as possibly including a musical composition element as well as a workshop on film sound.
 - Ms. Magnusson suggested that in the future, we might consider asking for an expression of interest early on and then having a date for submission which can be held later so artists can prepare.

It was noted that having a single person in charge of the event is preferred as there needs to be personal contacts and in-person connections made.

Another suggestion was not to have a theme and instead just ask for short films or documentary films.

There will be further discussion after the meeting on Friday, and a follow-up will be presented at the next meeting.

- c) Glover Road Gateway Sculpture. Ongoing.
- d) Heritage Markers. Discussed Item 3a.
- e) Heritage Buildings and Artifacts. Task Group is Ms. Maxwell, Ms. Martens, Ms. Magnusson and Councillor White. Staff will divide the list and provide a template that can be used when reviewing the addresses.
- f) Skytrain Car Upcycle. A Task Group meeting will be held in June.

6. **ROUNDTABLE**

Art in the park will be on July 11th at City Park. Staff were asked to ensure that children's art supplies available.

Ms. Reams shared the brochure on senior's week and all the events and activities available from June 2nd to June 8th.

Ms. Gendron spoke about the many events and workshops available that are all listed on the Langley Arts Council website. The arts council has received funding from the City of Langley to offer programs, and these will be available soon. Ms. Gendron's band, Kat Moon will he playing every 2nd Thursday in Douglas Park this summer.

Ms. Magnusson spoke about the Cascade Peaks Chamber Fest being held at Rock Ridge Canyon Resort June 20-22nd.

The music school held the official opening of the Iris Preston Annex.

Mr. Palmer shared that he will be attending his first farmer's market on June 20th in Fort Langley and recently performed as Country Drew at Palate Kitchen in Vancouver.

The Chair shared that she is hoping to start a mural at a farm on 56th Avenue that is part of the Agri-Kidz program.

ADJOURNMENT

That the meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

CARRIED

CHAIR

Certified Correct:

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RECREATION SUPERVISOR