

MEETING MINUTES



MEETING **Public Art Advisory Committee**

DATE February 19, 2015

LOCATION City Hall Meeting Room A

TIME 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT Mike Barker, Verne Harrison, Nan Hogg, Ella Pauls (staff), Jen Rafter (staff), James Taylor, Sally Wismer

REGRETS Daniel Harland, Nicole Neufeld

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION
1	Welcome and Introductions
2	<p>Appointment of Committee Chair</p> <p>Motion: That Sally Wismer is appointed Chair of the Public Art Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Moved: James Taylor Seconded: Nan Hogg</p> <p>All in favour, motion carried. The appointment of a Vice-Chair is deferred until the next meeting.</p>
3	<p>Policy Review</p> <p>Staff reviewed the City of Guelph policies and procedures that will guide the work of the Public Art Advisory Committee this term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Citizen Appointment Policy: Outlines roles and responsibilities of Committee members, chair, staff liaison and Council. b. City of Guelph Code of Conduct for Council and Local Boards: Outlines shared expectations to operate from a base of integrity, justice and courtesy. c. PAAC: Terms of Reference: Outlines the mandate and objectives of the committee and addresses composition, responsibilities and operating principles. d. Public Art Policy: Outlines a standardized and transparent process for the selection, acquisition, maintenance and de-accession of Public Art and provides a funding model for its management. e. Public Art Operations Manual: Outlines steps and guidelines for implementing the Public Art Policy.

4	<p>2015 Priorities/Work Plan</p> <p>a. Status of current projects/installations in progress: Staff presented an overview of the City's current public art collection, artworks on public display and other related projects of the Culture and Tourism department, including City Hall artwork on display through the Community Benefit Agreement with Macdonald Stewart Art Centre, the City's 2014 "Artist in the Community" project with Pearl van Geest, the Guelph Culture Map portal, Ted Fullerton's Civic Precinct installations and the upcoming donation and installation of Ruth Abernethy's bronze statue, "Remember Flanders," in front of the Guelph Civic Museum.</p> <p>b. Review of current public art funding model: As per the Public Art Policy, the funding model for the Public Art Reserve Fund is due for review. The Committee will establish a review process and will make plans to prepare a recommendation to Council by end of 2015. In preparation, staff will begin researching current funding models for public art in other municipalities.</p> <p>c. Development of a public art program: As part of the implementation of the Public Art Policy, the Committee will begin the work developing a public art plan. It was agreed that the plan should be broad in nature, inclusive of small, scalable initiatives to larger plans connected to major capital developments. It was also agreed that the development of the program should involve consultation with internal City departments and the public, and be developed in conjunction with the recommendation for a funding model.</p>
5	<p>2015 Artist in Residence Program: Based on the success of last year's pilot artist residency program with artist Pearl van Geest's project at the West End Community Centre, it was agreed to move forward with the establishment of a City of Guelph Artist in Residency program. It was agreed that the theme for the 2015 residency will draw inspiration from "In Flanders Fields" by John McCrae in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the writing of poem. Staff will draft a call to artists for Committee to review at the next meeting.</p>
6	<p>Frequency of Meetings: The committee has agreed to meet more frequently, possibly monthly, at the beginning of this term to allow for work to move forward. It was also agreed that short, focussed meetings will work best for this group.</p>
7	<p>Next Meeting Date: March - TBD</p>
8	<p>Adjournment: 6:30 p.m.</p>

ACTION ITEMS

ITEM #	ASSIGNED TO	DUE DATE	DESCRIPTION
1	Staff	Next meeting (TBD)	Research public art funding models and municipal practices.
2	Staff	Next meeting (TBD)	Prepare a call for artists for the 2015 City of Guelph Artist in Residency program.
3	Staff	ASAP	Doodle Poll for next meeting date.