



ARTS AND CULTURE TASK GROUP

February 16, 2021

7:00 PM

Remote Video/Teleconference

Present: Councillor Paul Albrecht, Chair
Councillor Rosemary Wallace, Vice-Chair
Diane Gendron, Langley Arts Council Representative
Val Newson, Langley Community Services Representative
Una Chang, Youth Representative
Leigh Castron, Member at Large
Michael Paylor, Member at Large

Staff: Kim Hilton, Director, Recreation, Culture and Community Services

1) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The adoption of the February 16, 2021 Arts and Culture Task Group agenda was moved and seconded.

CARRIED

2) ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The adoption of the January 19, 2020 Arts and Culture Task Group minutes was moved and seconded.

CARRIED

3) DISCUSSION

a) Youth Mural

- Healthy Communities Initiatives grant introduced. The grant will fund small-scale infrastructure projects to create safer, more vibrant and inclusive communities.
- The theme areas of the grant fit in nicely with the project concepts we are considering: safe and vibrant public spaces; improved mobility options; digital solutions.
- Due to the scope of the project, the grant would be a better fit to the Gateway project instead of the mural project.
- Staff will be meeting to discuss grant priorities and an update will be provided to the Task Group.

- Councillor Wallace connected with the artist responsible for coordinating the community mural project in Aldergrove. The artist would be willing to assist us with the coordination of our project.
- The Task Group discussed that this project should be youth led but involve and engage the neighborhood the mural will be located in.
- Staff will investigate doing a mailout to that neighborhood and will connect with the artist from Aldergrove.
- The Task Group discussed a theme and decided that inclusivity and diversity should be the focus.

b) Glover Road Gateway

- \$100,000.00 has been donated from the Auto Mall. This amount is all in and includes installation.
- A discussion on the design was held and the Task Group agreed that the design should include an indigenous element and that portion needs to be created by an indigenous artist.
- Budget will be a consideration and there is a possibility that we will apply to the Healthy Communities Initiative Grant for additional funding.
- Staff will develop criteria to be reviewed prior to the RFP going before Council for approval.

4) **UPDATES**

a) Celebrating Arts and Culture in Langley City

- Platform was extended an additional two weeks
- Some statistics on the original two weeks of the event were provided and showed that the event reached over 16,000 on Facebook and our City webpage had 1023 views. Staff will provide statistics for the full two weeks once it has been received.

5) **STANDING ITEM**

a) City Park sculpture

- Target date for the opening of the shelters is the May long weekend.
- Staff have not connected with the artist yet.

6) **ROUNDTABLE**

- Task Group member Newson reported on the Langley Immigration Partnership website which is a great resource and also a good space to advertise information on the neighborhood mural project. A link will be sent to members
- Task Group member Gendron advised that the Langley Players and Surrey Little Theatre have amalgamated. The theatre in Surrey will be sold and renovations will be done to the Langley theatre.
- The City will be applying for a \$25,000 grant to update the poverty assessment. This will be in coordination with the Township of Langley. Feedback will be requested by the Task Group in the future.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

CHAIR

Certified Correct:
mlp

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