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Minutes of a Meeting of the ARTS COMMISSION
Held Wednesday, April 28, 2021, in Room 488 and Electronically,
625 Fisgard St., Victoria, BC

EP = Electronic Participation

Present: Members (EP): J. Loveday (Chair), S. Epp, W. Gardner, C. Green, L. Hundleby, D. Lajeunesse, C. Plant, K. Roessingh
Staff: N. Chan, Chief Financial Officer; James Lam, Manager, Arts Development Service; V. Jeevanandam, Community Outreach Coordinator; N. More, Senior Administrative Secretary (recorder)
Also Present:, Arts Advisory Council: C. Heiman, Chair (EP)
Absent: G. Lemon

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

1 Territorial Acknowledgement: Chair Loveday gave the Territorial Acknowledgement.

2 Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Member Roessingh, **SECONDED** by Member Hundleby,
That the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3 Adoption of Minutes of March 24, 2021

Deferred to the next meeting.

4 Chair's Remarks

None made.

5 Presentations/Delegations

There were none.

6 Commission Business

6.1 Arts Advisory Council Update

6.1.1 Arts Advisory Council Chair's Report (Verbal)

Chair Heiman reported that the Arts Advisory Council (AAC) has welcomed new members and the adjudication of the IDEA Grants has been accomplished. Recommendations will come forward to the next meeting of the Arts Commission.

6.1.2 Arts Advisory Council Minutes for Information

The Commission sought clarification on the resignation of a member of the AAC, scheduled for after the June meeting. Staff reported that a second recruitment call has been made, with a specific inclusion statement for solicitations for filling the vacancies.

6.1.3 Arts Advisory Council Activities by Council Summary

MOVED by Member Roessingh, **SECONDED** by Member Hundleby,
That the Arts Advisory Council Chair's verbal report, and minutes and *Activities by Council Summary* of April 6, 2021, be received for information.

CARRIED

6.2 Outreach Update

V. Jeevanandam provided highlights of the report.

The Commission sought more information on staff participation in the virtual municipal roundtable. Staff clarified that staff from the jurisdictions within the Capital Regional District are invited to attend. The format is informal and provides a way for staff to meet as a community of practice. CRD staff convene the roundtable. Helpful partnerships form and the meeting is beneficial for mentoring new staff taking on the portfolio of arts and culture, and for sharing sectoral and community information.

MOVED by Member Plant, **SECONDED** by Member Green,
That the Outreach Update be received for information.

CARRIED

6.3 Potential for Regional Participation in the Arts & Culture Support Service Next Steps

J. Lam introduced N. Chan, Chief Financial Officer of the CRD. J. Lam provided highlights of the report.

On the motion as moved and seconded, the Commission discussed the following points:

- Aspects of the effort to obtain 100% participation from all jurisdictions
- First Nations participation
- Reasons for the recommended timeline
- The form and scope of the report expected from staff after the timeline has concluded
- Commission mandate from Board per Board Initiative 12a-1
- Regional benefits of arts and culture
- Potential for a Commission recommendation to the Board to establish a regional arts and culture service
- July meeting at the call of the Chair depending on the results at close of timeline

MOVED by Member Hundleby, **SECONDED** by Member Roessingh,
That a timeline to conclude the current initiative to increase participation in the Arts Service by July 1, 2021, be approved.

CARRIED

7 New Business: There was no new business.

8 Adjournment

MOVED by Member Hundleby, **SECONDED** by Member Roessingh,
That the meeting be adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

CARRIED

CHAIR

RECORDER