Meeting Notes Public Art Task Force Meeting

Tuesday, June 20, 2023 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Webex – Online Meeting

Present:

- Alyssia Nelson, Cultural Leadership Council
- Linda Jansma, Representative from community
- Mike Drolet, Representative from community
- Sonya Jones, The Robert McLaughlin Gallery (Chair)

Staff: S. Kordalewski, B. Waite, M. Slevin

1. Land Acknowledgement

The City of Oshawa sits on treaty land that is steeped in rich Indigenous history and is the present day home to many First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples. We acknowledge that we live and work on land covered under the Williams Treaties, and the traditional territories of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation.

We acknowledge this land out of respect for the many Indigenous nations who have cared for the lands and waters from the beginning of time and still do so today. We extend our gratitude and appreciation for the opportunity to live and work on this territory.

We are committed to understanding the truth of our shared history, confronting our past and present, and building a better future together in true reconciliation.

2. Welcome

- Sonya welcomed the group and Susan introduced Matthew.
- 3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest
 - None declared.
- 4. Approval of Summary Notes from Previous Meetings
 - Meeting notes from April 17, 2023 approved.
- 5. 2023 Public Art Projects
 - Frame Project (SK)
 - Public Art Policy change
 - Staff provided an update on Council's approval of Report ED-23-103 –
 Installing Art on Private Property in the Downtown (Ward 4) which
 included a revision to the Public Art Policy.
 - Call for Walls
 - Staff gave information regarding a Call for Walls in relation to Report ED-23-103 – Installing Art on Private Property in the Downtown (Ward 4). The group discussed the approach for artist selection.
 - Content Guidelines
 - The Public Art Task Force endorsed content guidelines to be used for public art projects.
 - Open Call Projects (BW)

- Staff provided an update on the status of projects selected from the Call for Artist-Initiated Projects.
- Mural Review (BW)
 - Staff provided an update on the status of the Downton Mural Review and next steps.

6. 2024 Public Art Projects

- TeachingCity Community Collaborations course (BW)
 - Staff provided an update on the Community Collaborations course 2023/24 project. The Public Art Task Force provided feedback.
- Art Festival (SK)
 - Staff provided information on the 2024 Centennial Art Festival.
- Centennial Public Art Projects (SK)
 - Staff provided an update on the proposed Centennial Art Projects.

7. Other Updates

- Windfields Farm Area Exhibit (BW)
 - Staff provided an update on the exhibition installation time frame.
- TeachingCity Augmented Reality Outdoor Public Artworks in collaboration w/ RMG (Sonya)
 - The RMG provided an update on the Augmented Reality Outdoor Public Artworks project.

8. Other Business

• The Public Art Task Force provided feedback on additional Centennial art projects.

9. Adjournment

Upcoming meetings -

Tuesday, August 8, 2023 @ 6 p.m.

Tuesday, October 10, 2023 @ 6 p.m.

Tuesday, December 12, 2023 @ 6 p.m.