Meeting Notes Public Art Task Force Meeting

Tuesday, May 13, 2025 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Online Meeting

Attendance: A. Nelson, L. Jansma, M. Drolet, S. Jones, S. Lebert

Staff: B. Waite, I. Brandt, S. Kordalewski

1. Land Acknowledgement

The City of Oshawa is situated on lands and waters within the Williams Treaties Territory, home to seven First Nation communities of the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Anishinaabeg, who have cared for and maintained these lands from time immemorial and continue to do so to present day. Learn more.

- 2. Welcome
- 3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest
 - No pecuniary interests were declared.
- 4. Approval of Previous Meeting Notes
 - Meeting notes from March 11, 2025 were approved.
- 5. Presentation
 - Municipality of Durham Region presented information on public art and placemaking initiatives taking place in Oshawa and throughout the region of Durham.
- 6. Discussion Topics
 - Bond Simcoe Urban Square Public Sculpture
 - Staff provided an update on the Bond Simcoe Urban Square Public Art project and next steps.
 - Ed Broadbent Indigenous Culture and Language Project
 - Staff provided an update to the Ed Broadbent Indigenous Culture and Language Project and requested feedback from the PATF members.
 - Tribute Communities Centre modernization
 - Staff provided information on the Tribute Communities Centre modernization project.
 - TeachingCity Community Collaboration Course 2025/2026 Project Ideas
 - Staff presented a temporary public art project for consideration for the TeachingCity Community Collaboration Course in 2025/2026 and requested feedback from PATF members.

7. Updates

- Culture Plan
 - Staff provided information on the City's Culture Plan development.
- Land Acknowledgement Sign Project
 - o Staff provided an update on the Land Acknowledgement Sign Project.
- Recreation Centre 2024 Murals

- Staff provided an update on Council's approval of the three year extension of the exhibition term for two murals installed in recreation centres in 2024.
- TeachingCity Community Collaboration Course
 - Staff provided an update on the 2024/2025 TeachingCity Community Collaboration Course temporary public art project.
- Convergence 2025 Call for Artists
 - Staff provided information on the City's Call for Artists Live Painting at Convergence 2025.

8. Other Business

- Election of PATF Chair
 - Sonya was nominated to remain Chair of the PATF.
 - Sonya was elected unanimously as Chair of the PATF for the remainder of this term.
- 9. Adjournment

Upcoming Meetings:

- Tuesday, July 8 at 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept 9 at 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov 4 at 6 p.m. *varies from the second Tuesday due to Remembrance Day