



Terms of Reference Arts and Culture Task Group

1.0 Background:

City Council recently amended the goal statement for one of the key result areas – Quality of Life:

We are a community that is an ideal place to raise a family, offers a welcoming and diverse living environment, boasts great leisure and recreational opportunities, and supports healthy and safe neighbourhoods.

At the Blue Sky Session City Council proposed a number of arts and culture initiatives and programs for consideration and implementation. One of the ideas arising from the Blue Sky Session was the establishment of an Arts and Culture Task Group to evaluate and recommend to City Council initiatives and programs related to the furtherance of arts and culture in the community.

2.0 Mandate:

The mandate of the group includes, but not limited to, prioritize, evaluate and develop a business case for the implementation of various arts and culture initiatives and programs such as:

- ✓ Made in Langley film location tour
- ✓ Create a big labyrinth
- ✓ Etch in design or art work along walkways
- ✓ Sculpture/public art sign for trail and visual identifier
- ✓ Hold more evening and winter events and programs
- ✓ Working artists in parks (sell their art work)
- ✓ Artist in residence

The group may undertake multiple initiatives. However, the group shall undertake only one initiative at a time if staff resources are required.

3.0 Composition:

3.1 Membership:

- Two voting members of City Council to be appointed by the Mayor
- One voting member from the Langley Arts Council
- One voting member from a local multi-cultural organization

- One voting member representing youth
- Two voting members from the community at-large

The Chair and Vice-Chair shall be members of City Council.

3.2 Staff Liaison

- One City of Langley staff to be appointed by the CAO
- Additional staff and/or consultants may be invited to provide technical advice and assistance

3.3 Affiliated Agencies:

Representative(s) from the Affiliated Agencies will be requested to provide expert advice when deemed appropriate to assist the Task Group to fulfill its mandate.

4.0 Reporting Relationship:

The Group will report to City Council through its meeting notes and by making recommendations to City Council.

5.0 Accountability:

The Group is accountable to City Council. The Group will not have the authority to give direction to staff or to commit to expenditures of funds. Action recommended by the Group must be done so by resolution to City Council and with their approval prior to implementation.

6.0 Administration:

The City of Langley will provide administrative support to the Membership to carry out the mandates of the group.

7.0 Meetings:

The Group will meet on a regular basis at the call of the Chair but not less than (4) times per year, in a facility provided by the participating partners.

A quorum shall be a majority of the total voting membership.

8.0 Terms:

The terms of the group shall cease on December 31, 2019. The terms may be extended by City Council to allow the group to fulfill its mandate.