M I N U T E S
ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION
Big Picture Sub-committee
November 28, 2017
4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.
Visitor Information Centre
Lister Block, 28 James Street N.

Chair: Kyle Skinner
Recorder: Ken Coit

Present: Ray Rivers, Kyle Skinner, Monika Ciolek, Peter Malysewich, Sara Dickinson, Elena Balaska, Tricia LeClair, Christine Braun, Councillor Donna Skelly, Ken Coit (Staff)

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
There were no declarations of interest.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
3.1 Arts Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes, dated September 26th, 2017.

Moved: Elena Balaska
Seconded: Ray Rivers

THAT the minutes of the Arts Advisory Commission meeting of September 26th, 2017 be approved with the following amendment: Christine Braun was present.

CARRIED

4. CONSENT ITEMS
None

5. PRESENTATIONS
5.1 Public Art Update – Ken Coit

Gore Park Beacons public art project phase 1 “Music City Markers” by Dave Kuruc was installed
The Ancaster Fieldcote Walkway public art project “Landmark” by Simon Frank was installed.

The Panel Discussion on Hamilton’s Public Art Process took place at the AGH Annex in association with the “OUT THERE Hamilton’s Public Art Process” exhibition on display until the end of January 2018.

The James Street South Mural public art project call for artists was issued and 31 submissions received.

5.2 Arts Awards Steering Committee Update – Kyle Skinner

The venue for the 2018 event is going to be Theatre Aquarius. The studio theatre in addition to the lobby will be open before the event to allow more space for the pre-event reception. Pending fundraising, the outdoor courtyard to the west of the lobby may also be open for the reception.

Following a suggestion from the steering committee staff is working on a voluntary questionnaire to be provided to all nominees to help to determine the current representation of diverse Hamilton communities in the nomination process. This is based on a model used by the Ontario Arts Council, individuals will not be identified in data and information will not be shared with juries.

The steering committee and staff are still working on options for an after party for the awards.

5.3 AAC Annual Update Presentation to General Issues Committee Dec. 6, 2017

Ken Coit presented a draft of the presentation power point to be presented to GIC by Monika or Kyle.

Moved: Ray Rivers Seconded: Peter Malysewich

THAT the presentation be approved with the following amendments: Include a slide about the Arts Legacy Project and include a quotation about the positive reaction to the Big Picture event as per the report conclusion in the notes. CARRIED

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Hamilton Artists Legacy Project Update
Tobi Bruce was invited to this meeting to provide an update on the project but asked that it be moved to the next AAC meeting as not all details have been finalized on the grant announcement yet.

6.2 BIG Picture 2017 – Final Report update from subcommittee

Moved: Peter Malysewich  Seconded: Tricia LeClair

**THAT** the final BIG Picture 2017 report be approved and posted on the city website to be shared with the event participants and the public and comments received are to be provided to the AAC at their next meeting.

**CARRIED**

6.3 BIG Picture 2017 – Priority Action Items for 2018

The commission had a general discussion about the Big Picture Report and which recommendations to act on as soon as possible. It was agreed that the commission would move forward with action that addressed each of the three common themes identified executive summary; Communication, Space for Artists and Diversity with the flowing motions:

Moved: Kyle Andrew Skinner  Seconded: Ray Rivers

**THAT** Tourism and Culture staff that administer the City Enrichment Fund be invited to the next AAC meeting to provide an update on the program, discuss and provide context around the three recommendations for arts funding identified in the Big Picture 2017 report and to discuss ways in which the AAC may help to improve the program.

**CARRIED**

Moved: Tricia LeClair  Seconded: Elena Balaska

**THAT** Edward John or other appropriate staff be invited to the next AAC meeting to present the recently approved Culture and Creative Industries zoning and have a general discussion about the recommendations in the Big Picture 2017 related to sustainable living and creative space that may be affected by planning policies.

**CARRIED**

Moved: Sarah Dickinson  Seconded: Ray Rivers

**THAT** Tourism and Culture staff contact the staff responsible for the City of Hamilton Refuge and Immigration Committee to arrange a discussion between the chairs the committees to determine if the members of the Refuge and Immigration committee would consider a joint meeting and/or recommend
training for the AAC and other arts groups to educate and inform the AAC on methods to appropriately and successfully address recommendations from the Big Picture 2017 about cultural diversity.

CARRIED

7. NOTICES OF MOTION

None

8. MOTIONS

None

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Skelly informed the AAC about her motion to have hearing loop technology installed in City of Hamilton buildings to ensure that citizens with assisted hearing devices can take part in public meetings and events.

10. ADJOURNMENT

 Moved: Ray Rivers Second: Peter Malysewich

 THAT Arts Advisory Commission meeting November 28, 2017 be adjourned at 5:20PM.

 CARRIED