

# Arts, Culture & Library Advisory Committee

## Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2019  
5:30 p.m.

SeaTac City Hall  
Riverton Room

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Arts, Culture & Library Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 5:37p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Pete Daigle, Bruce Bryant, Taryn Hill, Rita Marlow, Tani Rae Standridge, Jim Todd

**ABSENT:** Kathleen Brave

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:** Brian Tomisser, Recreation and Cultural Services Manager

**ALSO PRESENT:** Angelina Benedetti, King County Library, Peter Kwon, City of SeaTac Councilmember

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes dated December 12, 2018 were approved as written.

### POSSIBLE DONATION OF TOTEM POLES

The City has been contacted by the Double Tree Inn about taking ownership of several large Totem Poles. They were a part of the original Red Lion property. The Committee liked the look of the Totem Poles, but they were concerned that the history of the poles was not known. They also questioned whether these were mass produced items by Red Lion or unique to the SeaTac location. They also believed this would require consulting Native American associations to make sure there would be no cultural insensitivities. If the City decided to proceed, possible locations could include the Highline Botanical Garden, the trail head of the Des Moines Creek Trail, along the North SeaTac Park trail, the patch of land off the 200<sup>th</sup> off ramp of I-5, or City Hall. Overall, with the unresolved issues, there was no recommendation to proceed.

### SCOPE OF SERVICE DISCUSSION

Brian informed the Committee that very little work had been done since the last meeting. The focus of work has been on the Creative Consultant position. He did let them know that he anticipates a draft for the Committee to review by the March meeting.

### CREATIVE CONSULTANT

Before Framework arrived, the Committee discussed the draft of the proposal. They agreed that the June 29<sup>th</sup> event at the Plaza needs to be focused on arts and culture, and not on business. Angie said that the Renton festival would be a good comparison. Bruce commented that the proposal was light on how finances will be raised. There was also a brief conversation about the possibility of an outside non-profit being started. The purpose of this would be to have an outside organization that could raise funds and have fewer restrictions to develop the arts. Committee members would be involved in this venture, but it would have no direct association to the City or the Committee. When Lesley Bain from Framework arrived, the Committee shared their input about the proposal. Brian reminded the Committee that the proposal was restricted to 1000 words and this will limit how many specifics can be included. Everyone agreed that the June 29<sup>th</sup> event at the Angle Lake Station was a great kick off event to recruit local artists and begin meeting our objectives if the proposal is accepted. After a detailed conversation, the Committee felt comfortable with the proposal. Lesley will submit it by February 28, 2019. A decision will be made by March 8, 2019 by 4Culture.

**OPEN FORUM:**

Bruce and Jim stated that they have turned in the initial paperwork to create a non-profit for the sole benefit of promoting the arts in SeaTac.

Councilmember Kwon shared that 4Culture was in the early stages of taking out a bond for capital projects. It is early, but something to monitor going forward. He also shared that there is a 'Hello 4Culture' meeting at the Matt Griffin YMCA on Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am-1:00pm. This is an opportunity for members to get to know more about 4Culture. Councilmember Kwon also shared that the City was looking at the possibility of taking ownership of International Boulevard. This would make possible public art projects easier to implement at that location.

**LIBRARY REPORT:**

Angelina shared about all of the upcoming programs happening at Valley View Library. The Library has been closed all week due to the snow, but is reopening in Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. There is a Friends of the Library book sale on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Tax forms are available at all library locations. She also shared about the '10 to Try Challenge' and that Russell and Cierra Wilson were at the Foster library last Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, promoting their new initiative.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm.