



City of Nedlands

Minutes

Arts Committee Meeting

16 February 2015

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Minutes of a meeting of the Arts Committee held in the Council Chambers, 71 Stirling Highway, Nedlands on Monday, 16 February 2015 at 5.30 pm.

Declaration of Opening

Mayor R M Hipkins declared the meeting open at 5.35pm.

Present and Apologies and Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)

Committee Members His Worship the Mayor, RM Hipkins
Councillor T James
Luke Hollyock
Kate Parker

Observers Councillor R Binks

Staff Marion Granich
Manager Community Development
Rachel Birighitti
Tresillian Community Centre Coordinator

**Leave of Absence
(Previously Approved)** Nil

Apologies Councillor Smyth
Councillor J Wetherall

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1. Public Question Time

Nil.

2. Public Address Session (only for items listed on the agenda)

Nil.

3. Disclosures of Financial Interest

The Presiding Member reminded Councillors, Committee Members and Staff of the requirements of Section 5.65 of the Local Government Act to disclose any interest during the meeting when the matter is discussed.

There were no disclosures of financial interest.

4. Disclosures of Interests Affecting Impartiality

The Presiding Member reminded Councillors, Committee Members and Staff of the requirements of Council's Code of Conduct in accordance with Section 5.103 of the Local Government Act.

There were no disclosures interest affecting impartiality.

5. Declarations by Members That They Have Not Given Due Consideration to Papers

Nil

6. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved – Councillor T James

Seconded – Luke Hollyock

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 4/0

Recommendation to Council

That the minutes of the Arts Committee meeting of 17 November 2014 are accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

7. Items for Discussion

NOTE: Regulation 11(da) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 requires written reasons for each decision made at the meeting that is significantly different from the relevant written recommendation of a committee or an employee as defined in section 5.70 (but not a decision to only note the matter or to return the recommendation for further consideration).

7.1 Poetry

The Mayor received the following suggestion from a member of the community, and has requested that it be considered as an item on the Arts Committee of Council's agenda. The suggestion is as follows:

I was wondering if Nedlands might like to fill up some blank spaces with pieces of poetry. I can remember being ambushed with poetry of buses, blank shop walls and bus stops – to name but a few, as I have travelled. They are usually in large cities and express the values of people and the place. Nedlands has a number of blank walls which could easily and cheaply be covered in thoughtful words. We could use our wonderful resource at UWA and at all the schools around the suburbs. We could ask people to choose a poem that could be broken up and placed around the suburbs or there could be a request out to the primary schools to see what they come up with. There is a huge amount of community engagement in this idea. Call if you would like to chat about it.

(The email above is given in its entirety, but without the writer's paragraphing).

Recommendation to Arts Committee

That the Arts Committee receives this information for future consideration.

Moved – Councillor T James

Seconded – Kate Parker

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 4/0

Recommendation to Council

That the Arts Committee receives this information for future consideration.

7.2 Nagal Pass Artwork Update

In the City's 2014/15 budget \$70,000 has been approved for expenditure on public artwork.

At the Arts Committee meeting of 17 November 2014, the Committee decided:

That the Arts Committee requests Administration to investigate the technical considerations and any constraints relevant to installing an artwork on the north/western wall outside Nagal Pass.

Following the November Arts Committee meeting Administration sought a quote from a consultant to assess and oversee the technical aspects of installing an artwork on the identified site. The consultant's brief includes the following

- Assess the site's suitability for installation of an artwork
- Identify and obtain any permits required
- Consult with key stakeholders (technical only, not general community)
- Identify any services or other restrictions on the site that might impact its suitability for an artwork to be installed thereon
- Provide the maximum dimensions for any footings installed on the site

- Provide advice on any other technical factors impacting the installation
- Liaise with the artist/s and/or artists organisation that is selected to develop the artwork
- Provide a cost for the installation
- Project manage the installation

Administration has now received the quote for the consultancy specified above. The quote provided is for \$12,000. The City may accept this quote and appoint the consultant without obtaining any further quotes, since the consultant is on a list of company's previously approved for use by the City.

On the basis of information currently at hand, an indicative budget for this project is provided below. Note that these are indicative figures only, with artwork installation costs yet to be determined. The technical consultant will provide further clarity on the cost of installation, which may also be impacted by the type of artwork installed. Therefore this component (the cost of installation) can only be estimated at this stage.

Table 1: Indicative Budget Nagal Pass Artwork

Technical Consultant	\$12,000
Advertising	\$ 3,000
Payment to artist / arts organization	\$55,000
Total Cost of Artwork (excluding maintenance)	\$70,000

An assumption underlying the indicative budget provided above is that the artwork will be installed towards the end of the current financial year and will therefore not require maintenance in the current financial year. The maintenance component (which has not been determined at this stage) will need to be included in future budgets.

It is recommended that the Arts Committee requests Administration to proceed with appointing the technical consultant, as the first step towards undertaking this public artwork. Note that any recommendations by the Arts Committee that have budgetary implications must be considered by Council. Therefore, if the Arts Committee does wish to proceed with appointing the consultant, then Administration will present this item to Council for consideration.

Amended Recommendation to Arts Committee

That the Arts Committee requests Administration to proceed with appointing a Technical Coordinator to assess the suitability of the Nagal Pass site for installation of an artwork.

Moved – Councillor T James

Seconded – Luke Hollyock

Recommendation to Council

That the Arts Committee requests Administration to proceed with appointing a Technical Coordinator to assess the suitability of the Nagal Pass site for installation of an artwork.

8.0 Date of Next Meeting

The next Arts Committee meeting will be held at 5.30pm on Monday 16 March 2015.

Declaration of Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 5.51pm.

MARION GRANICH
MANAGER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT