MINUTES

CITY OF VINCENT

ARTS ADVISORY GROUP

Wednesday 7 August 2024
5:30pm – 6:30pm

Venue: Committee Room
City of Vincent
Administration and Civic Centre
244 Vincent Street Leederville

Attendees:

City of Vincent Councillors
Cr Suzanne Worner (SW)
Cr Sophie Greer (SG)

Community Representatives
Carolyn Karnovsky (CK)
Wayne Herring (WH)
Kate Rae (KR)
Iwan Isnin (II)

City of Vincent Officers
Lauren Formentin, Place Planner – Arts (LF)
Eamonn Lourey, Coordinator Place (EL)
Holly Mason, Strategic Planner (HM)

Apologies
Cr Ashley Wallace (AW)
Helen Turner (HT)
Chakris Srisuwan (CS)
Marisa Santosa (MS)

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1. Introduction and Welcome

Councillor Worner opened the meeting at 5.30pm and delivered an Acknowledgment of Country.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Helen Turner, Marisa Santosa and Cr Wallace.

3. Confirmation of the Minutes

The Minutes from the 29 May 2024 were noted and accepted.

4. General Business

4.1 Discuss donation offer from Loftus Street Stitchers (LF) 10 mins

- LF presented the Loftus Street Stitchers offer to donate an installation titled 'Blue Bells.'
- Donation is from a community group and provides a good example of how the Art Collection Policy could be used.

- Group discussed challenges associated with displaying the item due to its delicate nature and requirement to be suspended or placed on a platform.
- Generally agreed to accept the offer, with further investigation needed into how the item will be displayed/stored.

4.2 Draft Art Collection Policy update (HM) 15 mins

- HM presented a draft of the amended Art Collection Policy informed by Administration's review of the arts policies.
- Points discussed:
  - scope of the policy, including whether to have public art and public murals included in the collection.
  - EL noted that reinstating the Art Awards is not planned for the next few years and is not in the Arts Plan.
  - it was suggested that an audit of the current collection should be considered to inform the acquisition criteria and policy objectives.
  - consider having one policy with subsections to cover different aspects of art, making it simpler for review and access.
  - consider the broad definition of art and the need to evolve with it.

~~4.3 Public Art and Public Murals Policy Reviews discussion (HM) 25 mins~~

4.3 AAG Feedback on Artwork Proposals (LF) 10 mins

- the group expressed reservations about its cultural sensitivity, relevance to the audience, and adherence to project guidelines.
- suggested considering a clearer narrative to make it more coherent and meaningful.
- noted the need for early feedback and approval of the final concept.

a. 38-44 Brisbane St – Percent for Art

- LF provided an update on the Globe artwork noting:
  - a public petition requesting the relocation of the artwork due to concerns about its feasibility in the current location.
  - once we have assessed the feasibility of redesigned footings, we will be preparing a report to take to the October Council meeting

b. 120 Oxford St – Mural application

5. Any Other Business

No other items were discussed.

6. Close/Next Meeting

Councillor Worner closed the meeting at 6.56pm. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6 November 2024.

RSVP/Apologies to louise.hood@vincent.wa.gov.au