

Mandate and Composition

Mandate	• This Board has been created to provide expert community input on public art for The City of Calgary.
	• Promote awareness and understanding of the importance of high-quality public art.
	 Recommend and advise on public art policies, guidelines, plans and issues as they relate to the City of Calgary.
	Review all public art project plans to ensure established criteria are met.
	 Review all acquisitions and donations of public art according to established criteria.
	 Act as a resource to City Council and to its boards, agencies and the administration on all public art matters.
	• Support Public Art staff in carrying out the Mission of the Public Art Policy.
	Prepare an Annual Report to Council.
Composition	6 Citizens-at-Large
•	2 Visual Artists
	1 Representative nominated by the Calgary Arts Development Authority
	2 Councillors

March 4, 2018

To: Calgary City Council

Re: Special Council Meeting

We appreciate the opportunity to share the Public Art Board's 2017 and 2018 accomplishments and to provide additional insight on the work currently underway.

As mandated in our Terms of Reference, The Public Art Board meets once a month. In 2018, these meetings were held on the third Monday of the month. In 2019, due to the addition of Council members to the Public Art Board, our meetings were moved to the third Wednesday of each month and we will continue on this schedule as we go forward. We do not meet in August.

The Public Art Board held extra meetings in 2018 to work with an external consultant to meet Council's Direction to examine our mandate, terms of reference and membership and to better understand our role as a board. The Public Art Board does not have any subcommittees.

The Public Art Board met 10 times in 2017 and 11 times in 2018. In 2018, members of the Public Art Board also participated in stakeholder engagement sessions outside of regularly scheduled meetings.

A few of the Public Art Board's accomplishments over the past two years include strategic planning activities to support the Public Art Program's annual workplans, advising and consulting on major capital public art projects and supporting the ongoing review of the Public Art Program. The Public Art Board has discussed increasing the number of opportunities to connect with members of the arts community. As a first step towards reconnecting with the arts community the Public Art Board met with the Indigenous Guiding Circle in 2018, and has participated in current artist focus group sessions in 2019.

In response to NM2017-32, The Public Art Program has been under review since 2017. Council provided further direction on June 25, 2018.

The main challenge in fulfilling our oversight mandate has been managing the volume of work required. In response to NM2017-32 and further direction from Council on 2018 June 25, Administration and the Public Art Board are currently undertaking an extensive review of the Public Art Program and the Public Art Board's mandate. The report back on the Public Art Board's actions in response to this direction will be 2019 March 13.

We will continue to work with City Council to renew the Public Art Program as well as refresh our mandate.

Sincerely, Linda Shaikh,

Chair, Public Art Board