

Minutes of a Meeting of the Arts Development Advisory Committee held in the Douglas Cardinal Boardroom and virtually via Zoom, on the above date at 6:00 p.m.

Present

Councillor Korotash
Councillor Biermanski
H. Ayotte
E. Baker – Chair
T. Burch
M. Dysinger
R. Hall

Absent

A. Akinwumi – Vice Chair
A. Morrison
N. Prince

Staff

J. Blackwood, Staff Liaison & Visual Arts Coordinator, Community Services
A. Bowes, Public Art Associate & Registrar, Community Services
T. Brooks, Community Cultural Coordinator, Community Services
R. McDonald, Legislative Officer, Legislative Services

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. and welcomed the Committee members and staff in attendance.

Adoption of Agenda

The Chair declared the November 26, 2025, agenda adopted as presented.

Approval of Minutes

The Chair declared the minutes of September 24, 2025, adopted as presented.

Welcome New Council Representative

The Chair and Committee members welcomed the newly appointed ADAC Council Representative, Councillor Neil Korotash and returning Councillor, Shelley Biermanski, to the committee for the 2025-2026 term.

Mayor's Arts Award (*In Camera*)

E. Baker recused herself from the in-camera discussion as she has been nominated as one of the Artists that is being considered.

Moved by M. Dysinger

That the Arts Development Advisory Committee move in camera to discuss a matter pursuant to Section 29(1)(a) of the *Access to Information Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee went in camera at 6:21 p.m.

Moved by M. Dysinger

That the Committee reconvene in Public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee reconvened in public at 6:24 p.m.

Moved by T. Burch

That the details of the in-camera discussion remain confidential.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by H. Ayotte

That the confidential recommendations of the Arts Development Advisory Committee resulting from the confidential discussion surrounding the Mayor's Celebration of the Arts Awards jury are forwarded to Administration for their information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2025 Public Art Year in Review

J. Blackwood provided an update of the 2025 Public Art Year in Review to the Committee.

2026 Upcoming Public Art Projects:

- Midtown integrated Public Art, Call for artists released January 2026
- Public Ops Sea can mural at the recycling yard, Call for artists released February 2026
- Secret Park Activation
- 2026 Children's Festival

Round Table

The Arts Development Advisory Committee members and staff provided feedback, discussed items of general interest and gave final comments.

Next Meeting Date

Wednesday, January 28, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

Douglas Cardinal Boardroom, St. Albert Place

Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Emily Baker

Emily Baker (Jan 29, 2026 14:42:45 MST)

CHAIR

Renee McDonald

Renee McDonald (Jan 29, 2026 15:21:28 MST)

DESIGNATED OFFICER