



Committee Agenda Report

Committee Name: ACHAC

Meeting Date: November 26, 2024

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TOPIC:

Establishing ongoing funding for Arts Culture and Heritage

GOAL:

The Municipality of North Grenville allocate up 1% of its' annual budget to Arts, Culture and Heritage initiatives.

BACKGROUND:

The allocated budget would support commissioning, fabrication, installation and maintenance of arts, culture and heritage pieces and projects. It would maintain the public art collection, support heritage initiative, the Arts and Culture Development Fund and the development of an Arts Council.

HOW DOES THIS RELATE TO THE COMMITTEE:

This relates directly to the Public Arts Policy and Heritage activities listed in our workplan.

HOW DOES THIS RELATE TO THE COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN:

Strategic Pillar 1 Balanced and Environmentally Sustainable Growth

- Develop a Heritage Strategy that establishes a regular review cycle for building designation.
- Establish Heritage Design Standards.
- Establish a Heritage Tourism Program featuring prominent heritage features and buildings.
- Identify opportunities for the adaptive reuse of municipally owned Heritage Buildings, such as the Oxford-on Rideau Township Hall and Maplewood Hall. 4

Strategic Pillar 2 A Strong, Connected and Vibrant Community Goal to invest in Arts and Culture

- Undertake a strategic visioning exercise to identify arts and cultural space needs and determine potential strategies to address demonstrated needs over time (from PRC Master Plan).
- Consider opportunities for repurposing surplus municipal buildings for arts and cultural uses prior to disposal (from PRC Master Plan).
- Create Arts and Culture implementation policy.
- Establish an Arts and Culture Fund.

OUTCOME:

An annual budget for Arts Culture and Heritage initiatives in North Grenville