

MOTION

Identify and Protect Arts and Culture Spaces in Vancouver

At its meeting on January 29, 2013, Vancouver City Council referred the following motion to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on January 30, 2013, in order to hear from speakers.

MOVED by Councillor Deal

WHEREAS:

1. It is challenging for local artists to find affordable and appropriate space in Vancouver;
2. People have very different opinions on what type of arts and culture is important to them; and
3. Cultural facilities are often located in older buildings and neighbourhoods that can be vulnerable to development pressures.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council request staff to work with the City's Arts and Culture Policy Council (ACPC) on a process for identifying and mapping artistic and cultural resources in the city, including facilities at risk from development.
- B. THAT this process include an opportunity for public input and involve Vancouver's open data community.
- C. THAT staff and the ACPC provide recommendations for Council regarding opportunities for additional protection of existing cultural facilities, based on best practices in other cities.

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