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MOTION ON NOTICE

At the Regular Council meeting on November 5, 2013, Councillor Ball submitted the following Notice of Motion.

2. Civic Artist Registry

MOVER: Councillor Ball

SECONDER: Councillor Affleck

WHEREAS

1. The City of Vancouver respects and values the professional artists living and working in our communities;
2. The City of Vancouver aims to assist professional artists in their ability to work and earn a living from their professional endeavours;
3. The City of Vancouver has established strategies in support of the arts including fostering innovation in our cultural policies, programs and services, embedding cultural awareness, instruction and programming within all our institutions and systems to engage citizen participation in cultural activities, and working with the non-profit arts and cultural sector, cultural industries, business and public sectors to develop new and innovative ways to highlight and profile the creative sector to the citizens of Vancouver and promote Vancouver's reputation as a creative city;
4. The City of Vancouver website supports an existing Public Art Registry of public artworks located throughout Vancouver with photos and biographies of the artists;
5. Cities such as Ottawa, Brooklyn, Whistler, Provincetown, Atlanta, Detroit and other municipalities have created successful Artist Registries that have proven to benefit artists and encourage the awareness of arts and culture in those communities;
6. Working artists need as much public exposure as possible to benefit and thrive from their professional work.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the City of Vancouver establish a comprehensive professional Artist Registry for a wide variety of performing and visual artists living in Vancouver. The Registry would be accessible on the City's website.

- B. THAT the City of Vancouver direct staff to consult with the City's Arts and Culture Policy Council, the arts and culture community, the City's website and communications staff, and other stakeholders to develop criteria and registration methods.
- C. THAT staff report back to Council within six months as to implementation of the registry.

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