



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee (ACHAC)

From: Erik Hanson, Heritage Resources Coordinator

Meeting Date: May 11, 2017

Subject: Report ACHAC17-027
Public Art for Casino

Purpose

A report to recommend that the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee request that Public Art be installed in the entrance of the new casino.

Recommendation

That the ACHAC approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC17-027, dated May 11, 2017 of the Heritage Resources Coordinator, as follows:

That the Chair be directed to write a letter to the Ontario Gaming East Limited Partnership requesting that a commissioned work of public art be installed in the landscaped area in front of the main entrance of the new casino.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

At the March 14, 2013 meeting of the ACHAC, a motion was passed to request that the Chair of the ACHAC make a delegation to Council outlining the committee's concerns regarding the impact of a proposed casino on the City's arts, culture and heritage sector. At the May 12, 2016 meeting of the ACHAC after further discussion, the committee agreed that the location chosen for the casino, at the City's southern gateway, required that the building be of a high level of design. At the June 9, 2016 meeting of the ACHAC, a motion was passed directing the Chair to write a letter to the Ontario Gaming East Limited Partnership, requesting an opportunity to comment and provide suggestions on the design of the proposed casino. There was no response to that correspondence.

The final site plan application for the casino has now been circulated. While the detailed design of the building is complete, comment on the site design can still be received. Staff is recommending that a letter be drafted by the Chair requesting that the casino operators consider commissioning a work of public art to be installed in the landscaped area in front of the main entrance of the new casino.

Submitted by,

Erik Hanson
Heritage Resources Coordinator

Contact Name:
Erik Hanson
Heritage Resources Coordinator
Phone: 705-742-7777 Ext. 1489
Toll Free: 1-855-738-3755
Fax: 705-748-8824
E-Mail: ehanson@peterborough.ca