

INFORMATION NOTE

Title:	Cultural Laureate Jurisdictional Scan
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Report To:	Arts & Culture Advisory Committee
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Issue: To further explore the concept of a broadened “cultural laureate” position, and the ways and extent to which such a position has been instituted in other areas, City staff will undertake a jurisdictional scan, including a short questionnaire for those jurisdictions.

Discussion – Background and Current Status:

In order for City staff to undertake a cultural laureate jurisdictional scan as described above, we are looking to the members of the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee to assist in formulating the most helpful and productive questions to pose in a questionnaire to be distributed to the included jurisdictions (to be determined).

City staff is asking each Committee member to please draft up to three questions, the answers to which would prove most helpful as we continue to explore whether to recommend a broadened “cultural laureate” position for the City of St. John’s following the term of the current Poet Laureate, which will be completed at the end of 2022.

These questions will then be incorporated into a questionnaire that will form part of the jurisdictional scan, the results of which will be reported back to this committee at a future meeting.

Key Considerations/Implications:

1. Budget/Financial Implications: N/A
2. Partners or Other Stakeholders: N/A
3. Alignment with Strategic Directions/Adopted Plans: Our City, Our Future – Strategic Plan 2019-2029: “A Connected City;” Planning for a Creative Future – The City of St. John’s Municipal Arts Plan; Roadmap 2021 “A Leading Canadian Artistic Metropolis.”
4. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A
5. Privacy Implications: N/A

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6. Engagement and Communications Considerations: N/A
7. Human Resource Implications: N/A
8. Procurement Implications: N/A
9. Information Technology Implications: N/A
10. Other Implications: N/A

Conclusion/Next Steps: Arts and Culture Advisory Committee members should prepare their questions for discussion and submission at the upcoming Advisory Committee meeting, scheduled for March 25, 2021.

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