



MUNICIPAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday May 14, 2019

06:00 PM

PRESENT:

Janice Johnston (Chair), Amanda Demers, Councillor Clare Cameron, Councillor Al Bisback, Members: Drew Chapman, Rita Trudeau, Ron Dale, David Parker

REGRETS:

Philip Hoad

STAFF:

Denise Horne

Planner II

Tara Druzina

Administrative Assistant, Community & Development Services

OTHERS:

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by David Parker that the agenda be amended to include the Communities in Bloom Committee's request regarding Utility Box Beautification Program (Hydro), under New Business.

APPROVED AS AMENDED.

3. Conflict of Interest

Drew Chapman declared a conflict of interest with MHC-19-016 - Heritage Permit Application - 142 Queen Street - Replacement Ground Sign MHC-19-017 - Heritage Permit Application and 142 Queen Street - Installation of Water Feature, as his wife owns a tourist accommodation.

4. Previous Minutes

The Minutes from the April 9, 2019 Committee meeting were received.

5. Presentations

There were none.

6. Announcements

There were none.

7. Correspondence

7.1 On-going Project Status Update

Denise Horne, Planner II, updated the Committee on the on-going project status list.

General discussion ensued.

7.2 Committees and Conflict of Interest - Legal Opinion written by John Mascain from Aird & Berlis LLP and forwarded by Peter Todd, Town Clerk

The Committee was in receipt of the legal opinion of John Mascain from Aird & Berlis LLP regarding Committees and Conflict of Interest as forwarded by the Town Clerk, Peter Todd.

Members were encouraged to read the letter and ask the Town Clerk for clarification if necessary.

8. Business

8.1 MHC-19-015 - Heritage Permit Application - 15284 Niagara River Parkway, Field House - Replace exterior wood details

Katie Houghton, was in attendance for the application. An overview of the application was received.

General discussion ensued.

Moved by Drew Chapman that the recommendations contained in MHC-19-015 - 15284 Niagara River Parkway - Heritage Permit Application - Replace exterior wood details be approved as follows:

- 1.1 The Heritage Permit Application to replace the wood cornice soffit and frieze board where necessary, with a new soffit, fascia and frieze board, to match exactly in dimension, detail and material at 15284 Niagara River Parkway, the Field House, be approved.
- 1.2 Prior to alterations being undertaken on the property, the applicant be required to

obtain the necessary approval from the Ontario Heritage Trust for any alterations to the property at 15284 Niagara River Parkway to the satisfaction of the Director of Community and Development Services.

APPROVED.

8.2 MHC-19-016 - Heritage Permit Application - 142 Queen Street - Replacement Ground Sign

Drew Chapman previously declared a conflict of interest MHC-19-016 - Heritage Permit Application - 142 Queen Street - Replacement Ground Sign as his wife owns a tourist accommodation.

David Jones was in attendance for the application. An overview of the application was received.

General discussion ensued.

Moved by Ron Dale that the recommendations contained in MHC-19-016 - Heritage Permit Application - 142 Queen Street - Replacement Ground Sign be approved as follows:

- 1.1 The Heritage Permit Application to install a replacement wood ground sign at 142 Queen Street be approved, subject to the following conditions:
 - a) the proponent be required to obtain a Sign Permit for the proposed sign; and
 - b) The proposed sign have a matte finish with no backlighting or neon lighting.
- 1.2 That the conditions in Recommendation 1.1 be cleared to the satisfaction of the Director of Community and Development Services.

APPROVED.

8.3 MHC-19-017 - Heritage Permit Application - 142 Queen Street - Installation of Water Feature

Drew Chapman previously declared a conflict of interest MHC-19-017 - Heritage Permit Application - 142 Queen Street - Installation of Water Feature as his wife owns a tourist accommodation.

David Jones was in attendance for the application. An overview of the application was received.

General discussion ensued.

Moved by Rita Trudeau that the recommendations contained in MHC-19-017 - Heritage Permit Application - 142 Queen Street - Installation of Water Feature be amended as follows:

- 1.1 *The Heritage Permit application for the installation of a water feature at 142 Queen Street be refused. - DELETED*
- 1.2 *That the Heritage Permit Application for the water feature be approved in principle.*
- 1.3 *That the design of the water feature be reviewed by Committee members via e-mail and that the design be finalized to the satisfaction of the Director of Community and Development Services.*

APPROVED AS AMENDED.

8.4 MHC-19-018 - 325 King Street - Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report & Additional 20th Century History

Bryce Murray, from Heelis, Little and Almas LLP, was in attendance for the application.

General discussion ensued regarding the Report.

Moved by Councillor Clare Cameron that the recommendations contained in MHC-19-018 - 325 King Street - Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report & Additional 20th Century History be amended as follows:

- 1.1 The Municipal Heritage Committee provide advice to Council based on the Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report submitted by Letourneau Heritage Consulting Inc. (November, 2018) and the Heritage Impact Assessment submitted by Megan Hobson (30 Oct 2018) for the property at 325 King Street (Parliament Oak School).
- 1.2 That the Committee forward the following comments to Council:
 - 1.2.1 Support for the CHER and HIA reports and the research conducted by the heritage consultants and Town Historian.
 - 1.2.2 Support for the preservation of heritage attributes on the property including the two carved stone bas-relief panels commemorating the session of Parliament, the stone marker commemorating the historic oak tree, the statuary for the Underground Railroad which could be moved to Voices of Freedom Park or another suitable location, the time capsule in the building's cornerstone which could be salvaged and donated to the NHS and Museum, and possibly the third stone carving featuring an oak tree.
 - 1.2.3 There is no interest in pursuing Part IV designation under the Ontario Heritage Act at this time.
 - 1.2.4 The MHC would like the opportunity to participate in a design charette in cooperation with the property owner at a future date concerning the possible conservation of the 1947 facade of the building.
 - 1.2.5 That the original facade and front portion of the 1947 building be conserved for preservation and/or re-purpose and/or reuse in any new development.

APPROVED AS AMENDED.

8.5 MHC-19-019 - Memorandum - 289, 293 & 297 Ricardo Street - Compliance with Development Agreement

An overview of the application was received by Denise Horne, Planner II.

Nancy Ross, from 297 Ricardo Street, was in attendance to address member's questions regarding the matter.

General discussion ensued.

Moved by Councillor Clare Cameron that the recommendations contained in MHC-19-019 - Memorandum - 289, 293 & 297 Ricardo Street - Compliance with Development Agreement be ammended as follows:

- 1.1 The Municipal Heritage Committee receive this memorandum as information.
- 1.2 *The Municipal Heritage Committee determine whether to advise Council to direct staff to follow up on matters related to reinstating the missing stone pillars in front of 297 Ricardo street, and to amend Designating By-law 4234-08 to include only the street frontage with stone pillars at 293 and 297 Ricardo Street. - DELETE*
- 1.3 *That staff report back to the Municipal Heritage Committee with additional information on the as-built and existing landscaping, fencing, building and signage at 293 Ricardo Street, from the perspective of compliance with same development and any applicable heritage permits.*

APPROVED AS AMENDED.

8.6 MHC-19-020 - Memorandum - Bill 108 - More Homes, More Choices Act, 2019

Denise Horne, Planner II, presented the memorandum and details of such. The purpose of the memorandum is to inform the Municipal Heritage Committee (MHC) of proposed changes to the Ontario Heritage Act. The Act has not been substantially changed in nearly 15 years.

General discussion ensued. It was noted that comments can be made to the Province regarding the proposed Bill before June 1, 2019. It was requested that such comments be forwarded to Denise Horne for collective submission as soon as possible.

9. New Business

9.1 Utility Box Beautification Program (Hydro) - Communities in Bloom Community Request

Denise Horne, Planner II, described the Committee's intent to wrap the boxes in

artwork, pictures and signs.

Denise noted that a staff report regarding the matter will be forthcoming.

10. Next Meeting Date

June 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Clare Cameron that the meeting be adjourned at 9:15.

APPROVED.

ADJOURNMENT: 09:15 PM