

COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION

February 5, 2014 - 6:00p.m.
Committee Room No. 2

MINUTES

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor Jamie McEvoy	- Chair
Councillor Betty McIntosh	- Vice Chair
Wayne Janzen	- Community Member
Robert Johnson	- Community Member
Lynn Radbourne	- Community Member
Barry White	- Community Member
Tegan Cheremkora	- Community Member
Catherine Hutson	- Heritage Preservation

VOTING MEMBERS REGRETS:

Gavin Hainsworth	- Community Member
John Davies	- Community Member

STAFF:

Rob McCullough	- Manager, Cultural Services
Julie Schueck	- Heritage & Community Planner
Alison Worsfold	- Committee Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

1.0 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the agenda be amended by adding the following:

- *Item 5.2 - 1007 Dublin Street – Demolition Application*
- *Item 5.3 - Heritage Alteration Permit No. 057 – New Exterior Paint Scheme*
- *Item 5.4 - Room Naming for the Anvil Centre*

CARRIED.

All members of the Commission present voted in favour of the motion.

2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of January 8, 2014

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the January 8, 2014 Community Heritage Commission meeting be adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of the Commission present voted in favour of the motion.

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Oath of Office and Committee Orientation – the role of the Community Heritage Commission (Alison Worsfold)

Alison Worsfold, Committee Clerk, distributed and reviewed the following documents with the Commission members:

- Rules of Conduct: Advisory Committees & Bodies of Council
- Social Media Policy
- Terms of Reference
- Permission Forms

Members are to contact Kathleen Stevens regarding attendance at each meeting. If a member is unable to fulfill his/her duties, they are asked to notify staff as soon as possible so the position can be refilled.

The Oath of Office was administered to the Commission members.

3.2 The Local Government and the CHC, Current Heritage Projects and Accomplishments – Presentation (Julie Schueck)

Julie Schueck, Heritage Planner, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the heritage projects and accomplishments of the City in 2013 and outlined the following:

- The heritage tools utilized by the City are established in part 27 of the Local Government Act;
- Part 27 heritage tools generally fall into two categories, planning and/or conservation;
- Heritage buildings can be formally protected through a Heritage Designation, a Heritage Revitalization Agreement, being listed within a Heritage Conservation Area and through a Covenant;
- A heritage register is a formal listing of properties with heritage significance;
- A heritage inventory is an informal list of properties with heritage significance;

- Council may issue temporary protection for a property that could have heritage value; and,
- The City can only deny demolition permits for protected heritage property.

4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 Heritage Week 2014 – February 17-23 2014: “Wait for Me, Daddy” Judging Date Reminder

Julie Schueck, Heritage Planner, provided the following details regarding Heritage Week 2014:

- Heritage Week 2014 falls between the dates of February 17 – 23, 2014 and will highlight the ‘Wait for Me, Daddy’ photograph;
- There are two contests to celebrate Heritage Week. Kindergarten to Grade 3 will partake in a colouring contest, and grades 4 and 5 will partake in a heritage drawing, photography, or combination of both that recognizes this year’s theme;
- The contest entry deadline is Monday, February 24, 2014; and,
- The awards ceremony will take place on Wednesday, April 7, 2014 in Council Chambers.

The following Commission members advised Ms. Schueck that they would like to volunteer to judge the 2014 Heritage Week contest:

- Wayne Janzen
- Lynn Radbourne
- Tegan Cheremkora
- Gavin Hainsworth

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 2103 Hamilton Street – Demolition Application

Julie Schueck, Heritage Planner, advised that a demolition application has been received for 2103 Hamilton Street. The Commission suggested that it would be ideal to save the trees surrounding the property.

5.2 1007 Dublin Street – Demolition Application (On Table)

Julie Schueck, Heritage Planner, advised that a demolition application has been received for 1007 Dublin Street.

Discussion ensued and the following comments were noted:

- It was suggested that the house appears salvageable, and that many elements of the house maintain their original character;
- The house is located in a beautiful neighbourhood; and,
- It would be beneficial to research the background of the house, such as the history of the original owner's name, before a final decision is made.

The Heritage Commission requested that Ms. Schueck send each applicant a letter regarding heritage retention options.

5.3 Heritage Alteration Permit No. 057 – New Exterior Paint Scheme (On Table)

Julie Schueck, Heritage Planner, advised that a Heritage Alteration Permit for the property located at 431 Fourth Street has been received to alter the paint scheme on the exterior of the house. The Commission noted that the choices have been well thought out and would compliment the house well.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the proposed paint scheme for the exterior of the property located at 431 Fourth Street be supported.

CARRIED.

All members of the Commission present voted in favour of the motion.

5.4 Room Naming for the Anvil Centre (On Table)

Rob McCullough, Manager of Cultural Services, advised that the following names for the rooms at the Anvil Centre have been proposed:

- Claudet Room
- Okumra Room
- Thompson Room
- Stride Room
- Mandrake Room
- Slater Room
- The Grant Room
- Gardner-Mercer Room
- Edison Room
- Herring Room
- Metro Room
- Columbia Room
- Kwong On Wo Room
- Ying, Tai Room
- Briggs Room
- Nelson Room

- Heaps Room
- De Beck Room
- Ewen Room
- Trapp Room

Mr. McCullough advised that the theme of the naming convention is “economic change, business, finance and industry,” and that the list will be forwarded to city committees for input. Mr. McCullough noted that there are approximately twenty rooms that require naming.

Discussion ensued and the following comments were noted:

- It was suggested that “Burr Room” and “Smokey Smith Room” should be added to the list of names;
- The list should include more female names;
- Similar names should be grouped together in sections of the Anvil Centre; and,
- It was suggested that the names of prominent people who have not yet been recognized throughout the city should be considered for the naming convention before those who already have received recognition, for example through a street name.

6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION

6.1 City Heritage Program – Verbal Update (Standing Item):

Julie Schueck, Heritage Planner, advised that a Heritage Revitalization Agreement application has been received for 508 Agnes Street.

6.2 “Queen’s Park Neighbourhood Working Group – Draft Terms of Reference” – staff report dated January 13, 2014

Julie Schueck, Heritage Planner, summarized the report from Beverly Grieve, Director of Development Services dated January 13, 2014 regarding the Queen’s Park Neighbourhood Working Group draft terms of reference.

Discussion ensued and the following comments were noted:

- Concerns were expressed regarding the potential redundancy of the Group, as the fundamental purpose outlined in the Terms of Reference is similar to the Community Heritage Commission Terms of Reference;
- It was questioned if and how the progress of the group will be measured and evaluated; and,
- It was suggested that all of the neighbourhoods in New Westminster should be included in the Working Group, rather than a focus on Queen’s Park.

In response to the Commission's concerns, Ms. Schueck advised that the city conducted a study in 2013 regarding the possible implementation of heritage conservation areas throughout the city. The survey concluded that there was not enough community support to continue with the study. Ms. Schueck noted that when a heritage home in Queen's Park was demolished in 2013, executive members of two heritage groups provided a delegation to council regarding their concern at the loss of heritage houses in Queen's Park. Subsequently, Council introduced the Queen's Park Neighbourhood Working Group as a pilot project. Ms. Schueck advised that the Chair of Community Heritage Commission will sit on the Working Group to reduce redundancy between the two bodies.

6.3 "Heritage Revitalization Agreement – 746 Ewen Avenue – Preliminary Report" – staff report dated January 20, 2014

Julie Schueck, Heritage Planner, summarized the report from Beverly Grieve, Director of Development Services, dated January 20, 2014 regarding the Heritage Revitalization Agreement at 746 Ewen Avenue.

6.4 "Heritage Register Update – Removal of 624 and 630 Columbia Street" – staff report dated January 13, 2014

Julie Schueck, Heritage Planner, summarized the report from Beverly Grieve, Director of Development Services dated January 13, 2014 regarding the removal of 624 and 630 Columbia Street from the Heritage Register.

6.5 Demolition Permits Issued

Julie Schueck, Heritage Planner, advised that the following demolition permits have been issued:

501 Twelfth Street	Brow of the Hill
503 Twelfth Street	Brow of the Hill
505 Twelfth Street	Brow of the Hill
833 Fourth Street	Glenbrooke North
57 Sixth Street	Downtown
1104 Nanaimo Street	Kelvin
487 E Eighth Avenue	Sapperton

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 New Westminster Historical Society Newsletter, No. 404, January 2014

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the New Westminster Historical Society Newsletter, No. 404, January 2014 be received for information.

CARRIED.

All members of the Commission present voted in favour of the motion.

8.0 NEXT MEETING

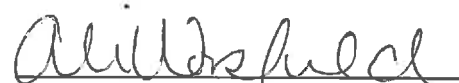
8.1 Next Meeting Date - March 5, 2014 (in Committee Room No. 2) 6:00pm

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Certified Correct,


Councillor Jaimie McEvoy
Chair


Alison Worsfold
Committee Clerk