

## **COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION**

**June 3, 2015 - 6:00 p.m.  
Committee Room No. 2**

### **MINUTES**

#### **VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

John Davies	- Community Member
Catherine Hutson	- Heritage Preservation
Sajan Mann	- Community Member
Roger Nottingham	- Community Member (Interim Chair)
Wayne Janzen	- Community Member
Robert Johnson	- Community Member
Lynn Radbourne	- Community Member (exited at 6:30 p.m.)

#### **VOTING MEMBERS REGRETS:**

Councillor Jaimie McEvoy	- Chair
Councillor Lorrie Williams	- City Council
Barry White	- Community Member

#### **STAFF:**

Julie Schueck	- Heritage & Community Planner
Alison Worsfold	- Committee Clerk

**Procedural Note:** Roger Nottingham assumed the role of Interim Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

### **1.0 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

The following item was added to the agenda:

#### **5.4 Discussion Regarding Heritage Revitalization Agreement's**

## 2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

### 2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of April 1, 2015

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the April 1, 2015 Community Heritage Commission meeting be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

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

## 3.0 PRESENTATIONS

There were no items.

## 5.0 NEW BUSINESS

**Procedural Note:** Items 5.1 to 5.4 were considered prior to item 4.1.

### 5.1 1010B Third Avenue – Heritage Alteration Permit

**Julie Schueck, Heritage & Community Planner**, summarized the memorandum dated June 3, 2015 regarding an application for a Heritage Alteration Permit for 1010B Third Avenue. In response to questions from the Commission, Ms. Schueck advised that the house would be energy efficient. Ms. Schueck also noted that the applicant has yet to provide the City with final plans regarding the design of the windows.

Discussion ensued, and the Commission suggested the following:

- That, as the application is part of a Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA), the design of the home should be set to a higher standard than what is being proposed;
- That the proposal be re-addressed so that the design of the house better reflects the original proposal;
- That the design of the house responds more to the house located at 1012 Third Avenue, rather than the house located at 1010 Third Avenue, which deviates from the initial intent of the proposal;
- That the proposed roof pitch does not complement the adjacent houses;
- That the proposed porch roof appears more Edwardian than Craftsman style, which may not be appropriate for the house; and,
- That the proposed double hung windows with mullions in the original application were a more suitable option than the windows that are now being proposed.

The Commission expressed concerns with respect to the possibility of the applicant establishing a living space in the attic of the house. Concerns were also expressed regarding the applicant applying design amendments that may not align with the intent of the HRA, particularly as the applicant is receiving an extra lot as part of the agreement.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Community Heritage Commission not support the application for a Heritage Alteration Permit for 1010B Third Avenue, suggesting that the applicant consider returning to the original plans.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**5.2 827 Sixteenth Street – Heritage Alteration Permit**

**Julie Schueck, Heritage & Community Planner**, summarized the memorandum dated June 3, 2015 regarding an application for a Heritage Alteration Permit for 827 Sixteenth Street.

Discussion ensued, and the Commission recommended that the applicant re-address the paint scheme so that it is more period appropriate.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Community Heritage Commission support the application for a Heritage Alteration Permit for 827 Sixteenth Street, provided that the applicant investigate other paint schemes that may be more period appropriate, upon consultation with the Heritage Preservation Society, Royal City Colours, and the Heritage Foundation.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**5.3 746 Ewen Avenue – Heritage Alteration Permit**

**Julie Schueck, Heritage & Community Planner**, summarized the memorandum dated June 3, 2015 regarding an application for a Heritage Alteration Permit for 746 Ewen Avenue.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Community Heritage Commission support the application for a Heritage Alteration Permit for 746 Ewen Avenue.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**Procedural Note:** Lynn Radbourne exited the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

#### **5.4 Discussion Regarding Heritage Revitalization Agreement's**

In response to questions from the Commission, Julie Schueck, Heritage & Community Planner, discussed the City's rezoning process, as well as the Urban Academy expansion proposal, which was defeated at the Regular meeting of Council on May 4, 2015.

### **4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **4.1 Queen's Park Neighbourhood Heritage Study – Newsletter**

**Julie Schueck, Heritage & Community Planner**, outlined the Queen's Park Neighbourhood Heritage Study Newsletter #2.

In response to questions from the Commission, Ms. Schueck advised that although the City does not currently have a Tree Bylaw, there will be an Urban Forest Management Bylaw forwarded to Council for adoption in the near future. Ms. Schueck also noted that infill housing, if it were to become permitted by the City, would be designated as market rental.

Discussion ensued, and the Commission noted the following comments:

- It was suggested that the City should consider permitting higher floor space ratio's (such as .6 or .7) within developments as an incentive for applicants to implement heritage components and attractive livable space;
- It was suggested that the City investigate the possibility of dividing ownership and stratifying heritage homes;
- The Heritage Grant Committee provides monetary support to the Heritage Foundation annually;
- Laneway homes have the capability of providing a source of rental income for homeowners;
- It was suggested that the City distribute information to residents with respect to properly recycling old house materials;
- It was suggested that the City apply a heritage designation to the blossom trees along St. Patrick Street; and,
- It was suggested that the City discuss the heritage designation process with the owners of historical apartment buildings.

### **6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION**

#### **6.1 City Heritage Program – Verbal Update (Standing Item)**

**Julie Schueck, Heritage & Community Planner**, advised that a community member suggested that the City provide a congratulatory card to homeowners when their house turns 100 years old.

The Commission agreed with the suggestion, and added that the City should also provide lawn signs that could be displayed in the front yards of the houses.

## **6.2 Demolition Permits Issued**

**Julie Schueck, Heritage & Community Planner**, advised that the following demolition permits were issued between March 24 and May 27, 2015:

- 334 Pine Street, Queen's Park;
- 136 Harvey Street, Victory Heights;
- 1834 Edinburgh Street, West End;
- 928 Eighteenth Street, West End;
- 1402 Seventh Avenue, West End;
- 124 Second Street, Queen's Park;
- 328 Pembina Street, Queensborough;
- 836 Burnaby Street, Victory Heights;
- 1722 Tenth Avenue, West End;
- 331 East Eighth Avenue, Victory Heights;
- 234 Anthony Court, Queen's Park;
- 327 Boyne Street, Queensborough;
- 1907 Dublin Street, West End; and,
- 439 Elmer Street, Sapperton.

## **6.3 Letter sent to regarding heritage retention options vs. demolition:**

**Julie Schueck, Heritage & Community Planner**, advised that the following three documents were attached to the agenda for information:

- Letter dated April 20, 2015 from the City regarding heritage retention options for 910 London Street;
- Letter from the City regarding heritage retention options for 1907 Dublin Street; and,
- Letter dated May 12, 2015 from the City regarding heritage retention options for 822 Fifth Street.

## **7.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

**7.1 New Westminster Historical Society Newsletter, No. 418, March 2015**

**7.2 New Westminster Historical Society Newsletter, No. 419, April 2015**

## **8.0 NEXT MEETING**

**8.1 July 8, 2015 (in Committee Room No. 2) 6:00 p.m.**

**9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**ON MOTION**, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Certified Correct,

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**Roger Nottingham**  
Interim Chair

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**Alison Worsfold**  
Committee Clerk