



## **“Wait for Me Daddy” Memorial Task Force**

**Wednesday, July 24, 2013 – 2:30pm  
Committee Room No. 2 – City Hall**

### **MINUTES**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councillor Lorrie Williams	- Chair
Chief Tim Armstrong	- Fire & Rescue Services
Ruby Campbell	- Volunteer Coordinator
Andrew Conradi	- Member at Large
Calvin Donnelly	- Member at Large
Herb Hamm	- Curator, Canadian Forces Armoury
Freda Hogg	- Honourary Member
Greg Magirescu	- Manager, Arts & Cultural Development
Julie Schueck	- Heritage and Community Planner
Wayne Wright	- Mayor

#### **MEMBERS REGRETS:**

Chief Dave Jones	- Police Services
Rick Page	- Director of Legislative Services
Lisa Spitale	- Chief Administrative Officer
Colin Stevens	- Member at Large

#### **GUESTS:**

Don Wong	- Executive Consultant
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#### **STAFF:**

Donna Martin	- Committee Clerk
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The meeting was called to order at 2:40 p.m.

#### **1.0 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

The following items were added to the Agenda:

- Item 6.2 – Oral Report re: call from Protocol Office in Ottawa - Mayor Wright
- Item 6.3 – Update on Artists - Greg Magirescu
- Item 6.4 – Canadian Heritage
- Item 6.5 – Royalty
- Item 6.6 – Quality of bronze - Greg Magirescu
- Item 6.7 – Status of RFP for Project Manager – Greg Magirescu
- Item 6.8 - Communication Plan

## **2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

### **2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of March 26, 2013**

It was noted that Julie Schueck, Community and Heritage Planner had been left off the list of those present at the last meeting.

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the “Wait for me Daddy” Memorial Task Force meeting held on March 26, 2013 be adopted as amended.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

## **3.0 PRESENTATIONS**

No formal presentation.

## **4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No unfinished business.

## **5.0 NEW BUSINESS**

### **5.1 National Historic Site Discussion / Draft Statement of Significance – Julie Schueck**

Julie Schueck, Community and Heritage Planner reported to be a national historic site the site must be relative to all of Canada. At this time the Director of the Commemorative Branch of Parks Canada in Ottawa seemed reluctant to designate Hyack Square an historic site.

Don Wong, Better Outcomes Consulting, suggested the Commemorative Branch needs to understand what the “Wait for me Daddy” picture represents. The commemorative march scheduled for 2015 will make the case for heritage designation and that we apply for historic site status after the commemorative march. Mr. Wong also noted that funding will not be affected by the order in which things are done.

Councillor Williams announced she is going to Ottawa in November and would try to meet with whomever the Task Force felt could be helpful in the process.

Councillor Williams indicated she would like to see the Keg tied in to this project as a military museum or museum of transportation in hopes the Federal government would assist in the funding.

Ms. Schueck felt it would be helpful if the City put Hyack Square on the City’s Heritage Register. In order to put Hyack Square on the Heritage Register it would need to go to the Community Heritage Commission for review and support and then on to Council.

The Task Force recommended the following changes to the draft Statement of Significance:

- confirm the spelling of Claude Dettloff
- suggest the following sentence: "...the photo captures a little boy (Warren "Whitey" Bernard) just breaking free from his mother's hand and running to join hands with his father, Rifleman Jack Bernard, who is marching with his regiment, the Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles down Eighth Street ...."
- list the names of the wars in which troops from New Westminster participated
- identify the number of the Victoria Cross medal recipients who were from New Westminster

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the "Wait for me Daddy" Task Force is supportive of having Hyack Square placed on the Heritage Register.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

**5.2 Application for funding from Veteran's Affairs – Councillor Williams**

Don Wong, consultant, updated the Task Force on the application for funding. An application for funding the art and a similar application for the march at the same time will show that the project is bigger than just the artwork. This will trigger the Canadian Heritage to work with the City on the march.

During discussion, it was suggested that there be footsteps up the sidewalk of Eighth Street with the soldier's names on the footsteps. It will be an added expense but Heritage Canada likes the idea. It is a good idea to get it on the calendar. Mr. Wong indicated he will have the draft applications ready prior to the next meeting.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT footsteps with the soldiers names be incorporated into the sidewalk from Royal Avenue to Columbia Street on Eighth Street.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

**6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION**

**6.1. Trip to Amsterdam – Councillor Williams**

Councillor Williams reported she will be visiting Amsterdam from August 4-11, 2013. She has been skyping with the father of the little Belgian boy and suggested the family be invited as VIPs to the unveiling and the march. Whitey Ford and his family should also be invited as VIPS.

Mr. Wong will explore options for flights and accommodation for the Belgian family.

**6.2 Verbal report re: Call from Protocol Office in Ottawa – Mayor Wright**

Mayor Wright received a call from Protocol Office in Ottawa regarding the possibility of the Belgian and British Royals attending the events and was informed the Province must invite them.

Mayor Wright reported after explaining the project to the Protocol Office they put the event on the list for 2015 and will arrange for a royal visitation.

Mr. Wong will invite Mark Andre Oullette from Victoria Protocol Office to speak to the Task Force at the next meeting.

Mayor Wright left the meeting at 3:35 p.m. and returned at 3:42 p.m.

### **6.3 Artist update – Greg Magirescu**

Greg Magirescu reported the calculations have been made and the artists are starting to model the project. Sharp & Diamond are coming on board to work with them for the landscape element. Mr. Magirescu requested more pictures of all three figures but especially the mother. Councillor Williams will get them from Mr. Bernard. The pictures will be scanned so the originals can be returned to Mr. Bernard.

It is expected the artists will have the precasts ready in about October..

### **6.4 Canadian Heritage**

Previously discussed.

### **6.5 Royalty**

Councillor Williams offered to speak to the Protocol Office about inviting the Royals when she is in Ottawa later this summer.

Don Wong advised there may be added expense depending on the event and who will be attending from the Royal Family. If it is considered a City event, the City will have to pay something however, if it is a national event, the Federal government will pick up the costs.

### **6.6 Quality of bronze**

Greg Magirescu assured the Task Force members the artists are using the highest quality of bronze available from the foundry they have worked with for 25 years. Detailing on faces etc. will have lifetime warranty.

### **6.7 RFP Project Manager**

Greg Magirescu reported the RFP for Project Manager is complete with the exception of the scope of work which must be discussed with the Director of Legislative Services.

The question was raised as to whether or not one person could be hired as the Project Manager and the Event Manager. It was the general consensus this was not possible. If an event management company is retained, they will bring in their own trained people. One person could handle both the unveiling and the march.

Mayor Wright suggested using community resources from the business community or staff to keep costs down. It was generally believed the business community could assist but it would be better to have a trained event planner for the lead as there is some concern about a person staying in the job.

Chief Armstrong left the meeting at 4:03 p.m. and returned at 4:08 p.m.

Staff was directed to put a visioning discussion for 2014 and 2015 on the next agenda.

## **6.8 Communication Plan**

The Task Force discussed the media happening of the past few days and felt the timing was good. More information will be released to the media in September or October. Councillor Williams was asked to get the proposal back from Mr. Bernard.

Once the 2015 date has been determined a note should be sent to VIPs to keep that date available.

Mayor Wright left the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

## **7.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence to be addressed.

## **7.1 VIP LIST**

Task Force members were asked to begin making a VIP list to be discussed at a later date. A letter must be sent to the Duke of Westminster inviting him participate in the events.

Andrew Conradi will send to staff the names and addresses of the Claude Dettloff family in order for an invitation to be extended to them.

## **8.0 NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Task Force is Wednesday, August 28, 2013 at 2:30 p.m.

## **9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting concluded at 4:18 pm.

Certified Correct,

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**Lorrie Williams**  
**Chair**

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**Alison Worsfold**  
**Committee Clerk**