



Heritage Burlington Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: November 11, 2020
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Room 247, Level 2, City Hall

1. **Members Present:**

Howard Bohan (Chair), Michele Camacho, Sille Nygaard Mikkelsen, David Barker, Don Thorpe, Barry Duffey, Angela Richardson, Marwa Refaat, Len Collins, Jenna Dobson, Rick Wilson, John Ouksouzoglou (alternate) and Robert Korporaal (alternate)

2. **Regrets:**

Trisha Murray, Allan Harrington and Dan Allan

3. **Others Present:**

Councillor Rory Nisan, Danika Guppy (Heritage Planner) and Jo-Anne Rudy (Clerk)

4. **Declarations of Interest:**

None

5. **Approval of Minutes:**

5.1 Approve minutes from meeting held October 14, 2020

On motion, the minutes from the October 14, 2020 meeting were approved as amended.

Amend the last bullet under 7.1 b. to read as follows:

Some members agreed that this is beyond the scope of the committee and asked that City staff seek the opinion of the Inclusivity Advisory Committee before acting and ensure the plaque, whatever its future, was not destroyed. **Other members supported the removal of the plaque, applying an inclusivity lens.**

6. Delegation(s):

None

7. Regular Items:

7.1 Heritage Planner update

a. Development application for 2093, 2097, 2101 Old Lakeshore Road, 2096, 2100 Lakeshore Road

- Danika provided a brief overview of the original application received for 2093,2097,2101 Old Lakeshore Road, 2096,2100 Lakeshore Road and highlighted some of the changes that are included in the revised application. Danika noted that there is a building on the subject lands that is listed on the Heritage Register and is proposed to remain on the property and become integrated with the proposed development. Three other buildings on the subject site have been identified in various planning studies but are not listed on the Register. There are three existing buildings across the street from the subject property, two of which are listed on the Register.
- Some members expressed concern that the development completely overwhelms the heritage property (Chrysler Carriage House) and diminishes its historic value. In addition, concern was raised with regards to the demolition of other Inventory-listed heritage buildings on the subject lands as it was noted that the concentration of very early buildings in the Old Lakeshore Precinct makes it a historically significant area. Suggestion was made that perhaps these properties should go on the Register or be designated. **Action** - Request staff to explore opportunities for Ontario Heritage Act protections for buildings on these properties. **Motion** - Authorize the Chair to provide written comments on behalf of the Committee. **CARRIED**

b. Expenses associated with the designation of heritage properties

- Danika provided information on actions that have been taken in the past with regards to City-initiated evaluations and designations and noted the cost efficiency of doing multiple properties and the importance of a coordinated approach allowing the opportunity to communicate with homeowners. A single evaluation could cost between \$3,000 to \$5,000.

- Members noted that a communication highlighting the benefits of having a heritage property and the incentives of the Tax Rebate Program and Community Heritage Fund could be helpful and added the program should be the same for both commercial and residential designated heritage property owners. **Motion** - Request staff to continue to explore the feasibility of expanding incentive programs to include designated commercial properties and to explore feasibility of initiating another call out for voluntary designations of eligible heritage properties, which could include a financial contribution from Heritage Burlington. **CARRIED** (Marwa volunteered to assist with this)

8. Other Business:

- Don advised that the Subcommittee met to identify properties in the downtown that could be placed on the Register and noted that the ASI report identified the properties that had significant heritage value. It was recommended that all "A" and "B" properties listed in the ASI report be added to the Register. Members who did not participate on the subcommittee asked for copies of the ASI report so they could review the properties that are being recommended for addition to the Register. This will be further discussed at next month's meeting. **Action** - Jo-Anne to forward hard and/or electronic copies of report to members not on subcommittee.

9. Adjournment: 8:45 p.m.