

Heritage Burlington Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: February 12, 2018

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Room 305, Level 3, City Hall

426 Brant Street, Burlington, Ontario

1. Members Present:

Howard Bohan (Vice Chair), Rick Wilson, Jeff Sutcliffe, Pauline Laing, Elena Dyagileva, Maggie Steiss, Michele Camacho and Torey Hunt

2. Others Present:

Les Michalak, Councillor Marianne Meed Ward, Thomas Douglas (Heritage Planner) and Jo-Anne Rudy (Clerk)

3. Regrets:

Kate White (Chair), Jim O'Neill, Albert Faccenda, Sharon Portelli, Sille Nygaard Mikkelsen and John Vice

4. Declarations of Interest:

None

5. Approval of Minutes:

5.1 Approve minutes from meeting held on January 9, 2018

On motion, the minutes from the meeting held on January 9, 2018 were approved as amended to correct typos and attendance.

6. Delegation(s):

- 6.1 Around the Bay 15 Mile Marker
 - Les Michalak of the Burlington Runners Club advised that this 15 mile marker dates back to the early 1890's and is located in Aldershot near the Royal Botanical Gardens and Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. There are two other similar markers that he is aware of - a 5 mile marker on

the Hamilton Beach Strip (saved by the Beach Strip Community Group) and a 17 mile marker on York Road in Hamilton; however, this marker is in the best condition of all three. In 2000 the Burlington Runners Club partnered with the City to move the marker to its present location but over the years the trees have grown which has reduced its visibility. Les requests the support of Heritage Burlington to move the marker to a more visible location ideally before the March 2019 Around the Bay Race and provide a plaque with historical information.

- Thomas advised that there are some unknowns which make it difficult
 to estimate what the cost would be; however he suggested an
 approximate amount of \$5,000-\$7,000 for the plaque and \$1,500\$2,000 to move the monument. He noted that RPM will look at pruning
 opportunities in the Spring and discussion can take place at that time
 in terms of location and timing.
- Councillor Meed Ward noted that every year a councillor can choose a location for a new bench in their respective wards and suggested that perhaps Les could discuss this opportunity with Councillor Craven.
- Howard stated that Heritage Burlington would like to be involved in this initiative but asked Les to work on the following and provide an update at a future Heritage Burlington meeting:
 - develop a fundraising plan
 - determine location
 - discuss bench opportunity with Councillor Craven
 - provide content for a plaque (Maggie to assist with photo/content).

7. Regular Items:

7.1 Heritage planner update

Thomas provided the following update:

- Work continues to re-evaluate B, C and D properties.
- Consultants for the Mobility Hub are photographing the downtown so no need for committee members to duplicate this work.
- New development applications were received for the downtown which affect inventory properties.
 - Action Thomas to send addresses of affected properties to Howard
- Asked for support of updates to the Municipal Register that are administrative in nature.

Motion - Heritage Burlington supports the administrative changes to the Register to clarify the addresses of Central High School and the Lakehurst Villa Knee Wall, to reflect the relocation of the David Bastedo House and to remove 1309 Appleby and 4372 Appleby.

a. 2477 Queensway

• Thomas advised that the applicant had to redesign their proposal for this property at the request of the MTO due to constraints related to the property's adjacency to a highway off-ramp. Thomas asked members to review the revised site plan and Heritage Impact Study and noted that committee already supported the conversion to a daycare and addition on the heritage building. Thomas asked for support of the revised site plan and plans for the new building which are now four storeys instead of two.

Motion - Heritage Burlington supports in principle the December 2017 revised proposal to amend the Zoning By-law for 2477 Queensway Drive to permit an institutional use located within a new building on site and within a proposed addition on the original farm house. Heritage Burlington will provide comment on detailed design of such an addition through consideration of a future heritage permit application.

b. 2358 Lakeshore

• Thomas advised that the applicant has obtained approval to sever their property to create two new lots fronting on Green Street and noted that the heritage house will be kept on the remnant lot. The old pony shed will be relocated so it can be closer to the house and remain on the same lot. No heritage permit is required for the severance or shed work as the reasons for designation in the by-law refer only to the house. No impact is expected on any of the identified heritage attributes.

c. Brant and James

• Thomas advised that the City has received an application to amend the Official Plan and Zoning By-law to permit a 24 storey apartment building on the lands at Brant and James. This parcel consists of multiple properties with two on the Municipal Register, four listed in the Inventory as "B" properties, one listed on the Inventory as a "D" property and four have no heritage status. Thomas noted that although two of the buildings are on the Municipal Register, they are not designated. Members were asked to familiarize themselves with these heritage properties and think about their value and how they should be conserved. Howard asked members to review the material provided with the agenda and information on the City's website so a fulsome

discussion can take place at the March meeting. **Action** - Thomas to send website link to members.

7.2 Burlington's Best - Nominations Due February 28

 Torey suggested and the Committee agreed to nominate Alan Harrington for the Burlington's Best Heritage Award.
 Action - Jo-Anne to send link for nomination form to Torey

7.3 2018 workplan

- Howard provided the following goals for 2018:
 - Draft and test a new heritage evaluation process.
 - Complete recommendations for a Policy on Fair Compensation.
 - Finalize a Plaques and Marker Policy including design specifications.
 - Finalized plans for the Heritage Trust Fund.
 - Re-evaluate former Inventory properties in the downtown.
 - Finalize 2018 Communications Plan.
- Longer Term Goals
 - Update the Heritage Grant Program.
 - Re-evaluate remaining former Inventory properties.
 - Implement the Heritage Trust Fund.
- Howard asked that members give some thought to these goals and provide some deliverables at the next meeting.

7.4 Communications subcommittee update

a. Heritage month - February

Torey provided the following update:

- Walking tour held on Feb 10 was a great success with 25
 people attending. Having a refreshment stop at Knox
 Presbyterian Church with Gary Evans providing some history of
 the church was a highlight. Future walking tours should include
 a similar format.
- Panel discussion taking place at Central Library on February 21.
- Working on changes to the Infographic which will then be sent to Communications.

8. Other Business:

 Jo-Anne noted that the Committee's 2017 annual report and 2018 workplan should be going to Council in the next couple of months.

Action - Jo-Anne to send Howard and Kate a copy of the 2017 annual report.

9. Adjournment:

Vice Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.