

# Heritage Burlington Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: March 8, 2023

Time: 7:00 pm Location: Virtual

#### 1. Members Present:

Michele Camacho (Chair), Barry Duffey, Marsha Paley, Sille Nygaard Mikkelsen, Andy Lyster, Marwa Refaat, Len Collins, Jenna Dobson, Deanne Mayall, Rob Korporaal and Alan Harrington

### 2. Regrets:

Councillor Shawna Stolte and Angela Richardson

#### 3. Others Present:

John O'Reilly (Heritage Planner) and Jo-Anne Rudy (Clerk)

# 4. Land Acknowledgement:

The Chair read the land acknowledgement.

#### 5. Welcome and Introduction of New Members:

Michele welcomed new members - Andy Lyster and Deanne Mayall.

#### 6. Election of Chair and Vice Chair:

On motion, Michele Camacho and Barry Duffey and Marsha Paley were elected as Chair and Co-Vice Chairs, respectively, for the term ending December 31, 2023.

#### 7. Declarations of Interest:

None

# 8. Approval of Minutes:

8.1 Approve minutes from meeting held February 8, 2023

On motion, the minutes from the meeting held February 8, 2023 were approved as amended

Replace the word "felt" with "decided" in the second bullet under Item 8.1b. - 496 Walker's Line - Eligibility for Heritage Designation

# 9. Delegation(s):

- 9.1 Public Art in Burlington
  - Angela Paparizo, Manager of Arts and Culture, provided a presentation on the City's Public Art Program and noted how it develops a sense of community and appreciation of the value of culture, heritage and creativity throughout the City. She explained that the Public Art Master Plan establishes a long term vision for the Public Art Program and offers priorities to guide the actions of the program. Angela advised that the Public Art Development Implementation Team (PADIT) is responsible for implementing the program and shared the Commission Process which includes Planning, Initiation, Selection, Implementation and Fabrication and Installation.
  - Members asked about the potential of a mural that captures
    different aspects of Burlington's history. Angela said that this would
    be a wonderful opportunity but could not happen this year unless
    an external funding source and location could be secured, as the
    budget for projects is in accordance with the Master Plan and the
    process is quite lengthy.

# 10. Regular Items:

- 10.1 Heritage Planner update
  - a. Updates
    - John advised that the heritage designation and rezoning and official plan amendments were appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) for 795 Brant Street. The owner has also applied for a heritage alteration permit to demolish the property, which requires a council decision in 90 days. The heritage permit is likely intended to create another appeal opportunity. The owner indicated a willingness to save the building in exchange for significant concessions from the City on other aspects of the application.

- John advised that the following reports went to the Community Planning, Regulation and Mobility Committee meeting of February 28:
  - 977 Unsworth Avenue designation recommended for approval at March 21, 2023 Council meeting;
  - 488 Locust Street recommended for approval at March 21, 2023 Council meeting;
  - 2411 Lakeshore Avenue grant for door restoration recommended for approval at March 21, 2023 Council meeting;
  - 2222 Lakeshore Road grant for window replacement recommended for approval at March 21, 2023 Council meeting;
  - Objections to register listings report- all registrations sustained until at least the end of the Downtown Heritage Study.

## b. Bill 23 Strategy

- John noted that responding to Bill 23 requires a multi-step plan to be implemented throughout 2023 and 2024, and added that the most important component is the review and evaluation of all non-designated properties on the Heritage Register to decide on a shortlist for possible heritage designation.
- John advised that existing research will be compiled into a repository of information so a comparative analysis can be done. He will check into how documents can be shared with committee members.
- John stated that this is a lot of work but provides the opportunity to look at narratives and see patterns/themes and determine what sites are at risk of demolition that people would miss if it was gone.
- Barry stated that since this is not a voluntary exercise, but one that the province is forcing the City to go through, the focus of the project should be to save vulnerable sites from demolition.

• Michele asked members to email her with their thoughts on the strategy to proceed and an implementation plan and she will forward to John.

# 11. Other Business:

None

# 12. Adjournment:

Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m.