

# Heritage Richmond Hill HRH#01-18

Tuesday, February 13, 2018 7:00 p.m.

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#### **Minutes**

A meeting of Heritage Richmond Hill was held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in Committee Room 1 with the following members of the Committee in attendance:

Councillor Cilevitz Councillor West Morteza Behrooz Helen Lu Dennis Lam Carol Chan Dianne McLeod

Regrets: Gary Thompson Enid Mills Dan Kelly Marj Andre

#### Staff:

I. James, Heritage and Urban Design Planner G. Collier, Deputy Town Clerk

In the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair, Councillor Cilevitz chaired the meeting.

## **Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by: D. Lam

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried Unanimously

## **Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest by members of the Committee under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

## **Adoption of Previous Minutes**

# 1. Minutes – Heritage Richmond Hill meeting HRH#08-17 held on December 5, 2017

Moved by: D. Lam

That the minutes of the Heritage Richmond Hill meeting HRH#08-17 held on December 5, 2017, be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

## 2. Extract – Council Meeting C#39-17 held November 13, 2017

Moved by: M. Behrooz

That the extract from Council Meeting C#39-17 held November 13, 2017 regarding the Application to Repeal Designation By-law 73-14 for 12370 Leslie Street, be received.

Carried Unanimously

# 3. Extracts – Council Meeting C#01-18 held January 29, 2018

Moved by: C. Chan

That the extracts from Council Meeting C#01-18 held January 29, 2018 regarding the application to demolish the House at 41 Elgin Mills Road East (William Neil House); and the Heritage Designation By-law for 41 Elgin Mills Road East, be received.

Carried Unanimously

#### **Scheduled Business**

# 4. Request to Remove 100 Centre Street East from Heritage Inventory – File D12-07099 – (Staff Report SRPRS.18.043)

I. James, Heritage and Urban Design Planner, provided background information relating to the request by the owners of 100 Centre Street East to remove the property from the Town's Heritage register. She reviewed the findings of the Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment completed for the property which identified that the property does not contain any heritage resource that has cultural value or interest as per the criteria for heritage designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*. I. James advised that staff are in agreement that the property does not merit designation under the *Act*, and recommend

that the property be removed from the Town's register. She confirmed that a demolition application had not been received at this time.

Committee reviewed the information regarding the property located at 100 Centre Street East and advised of their agreement that the house on the subject lands was not significant to the heritage context in the area and did not define the character of the neighbourhood.

Committee members noted the significant cultural heritage value of Centre Street and the importance of protecting and preserving this area. Staff advised that they would investigate and report back on options, including a comprehensive cultural heritage review of the buildings in the downtown core area.

Moved by: M. Behrooz

### **Recommendation 1**

- Previously approved at the February 26, 2018 Council meeting

### That Heritage Richmond Hill recommends to Council:

- a) That the property located at 100 Centre Street East does not merit cultural heritage designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;
- b) That 100 Centre Street East be removed from the Town of Richmond Hill Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and Historical Importance.

Carried Unanimously

- 5. Request for Support of Federal Heritage Policy Reform File D12-07228 (staff report SRPRS.18.042)
  - I. James, Heritage and Urban Design Planner, provided an overview of the recommendations regarding the preservation of Canada's heritage by the Federal House Of Commons Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development contained in Report 10. She reviewed recommendations that generally align with the Town's Official Plan policies; Recommendation 11 regarding a proposed tax credit for restoration and preservation work on buildings listed in the Canadian Register of Historic Places; and recommendations that would favourably impact the Town if the Town's nomination of the David Dunlap Observatory as a National Historic Site were successful.

Members of the Heritage Committee expressed their support for the federal action on the conservation of heritage properties and moving in the direction of

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recognizing the value of heritage. Members discussed Recommendation 17 in support of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action and expressed their full support for acknowledgement of the Indigenous peoples contributions to Canada's history.

Moved by: Councillor West

### **Recommendation 2**

That Heritage Richmond Hill recommends to Council:

- Previously approved at the February 26, 2018 Council meeting
- That staff report SRPRS.18.042 regarding the request for support of Federal Heritage Policy Reform be received for information;
- b) That the Richmond Hill Town Council supports the recommendations of the federal House of Commons Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development contained in Report 10 (42nd Parliament, 1st Session), regarding the preservation of Canada's heritage;
- c) That the Town Clerk be directed to forward this resolution to the federal Minister of Environment (copying the Minister of Finance and our local MPs) as requested by Community Heritage Ontario (CHO) in support of the recommendations contained in Report 10 to staff report SRPRS.18.042.

Carried Unanimously

6. Correspondence from Wayne Morgan, President, Community Heritage Ontario, dated December 29, 2017, regarding the federal role in heritage conservation – pages 121 to 123

Moved by: D. McLeod

That the correspondence from Wayne Morgan, President, Community Heritage Ontario, dated December 29, 2017, regarding the federal role in heritage conservation, be received.

Carried Unanimously

# **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of Heritage Richmond Hill was scheduled for Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

# Adjournment

Moved by: C. Chan

That the meeting be adjourned.

**Carried Unanimously** 

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.