

Heritage Richmond Hill HRH#02-18

Tuesday, April 10, 2018 7:00 p.m.

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Minutes

A meeting of Heritage Richmond Hill was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in Committee Room 1 with the following members of the Committee in attendance:

Enid Mills Councillor Cilevitz Councillor West Morteza Behrooz Helen Lu Dan Kelly Dennis Lam Marj Andre Carol Chan Dianne McLeod

Regrets: Gary Thompson

Staff:

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

Joan Burt, Joan Burt Architect, and Nicole Sampogna, Evans Planning, were in attendance to answer any questions regarding Agenda Item 2.

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: M. Andre

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk with the following addition:

a) Correspondence submitted by Andrea Kulesh, President, The Richmond Hill Historical Society, received April 10, 2018, regarding the Heritage Permit Application for 107 Hall Street (distributed at the meeting)

Carried

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#01-18 held on February 13, 2018

Moved by: M. Behrooz

That the minutes of the Heritage Richmond Hill meeting HRH#01-18 held on February 13, 2018, be adopted.

Carried

Delegations

Amanda and Lucas Sorbara, property owners of 400 Stouffville Road, addressed Heritage Richmond Hill regarding the proposed recommendation that their property be included as a "listed" property on the Richmond Hill Heritage Register. They advised that they had not been informed of this consideration until late last week. Mr. and Mrs. Sorbara reviewed the previous ownership and history of the property, noting that significant changes and additions have been made to the home that would have impacted the heritage aspect of the property. They expressed concerns regarding the restrictions and financial burden that would result from their property being included on the designation list. Mr. and Mrs. Sorbara requested that a more comprehensive assessment be undertaken as it was their view that an external assessment was not sufficient to assess the property features for designation.

I. James, Heritage and Urban Design Planner, advised that the log cabin located at 400 Stouffville Road was discovered by staff while reviewing a Cultural Heritage Assessment Report as part of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the Stouffville Road Study Area. She reviewed the history and heritage characteristics of the log cabin and advised that based on a preliminary evaluation of the property, staff were recommending that the property contained sufficient heritage interest to merit "listing" on the Register.

Moved by: M. Behrooz

That Agenda Item 4 be brought forward for consideration at this time.

Carried

Scheduled Business

4. Addition to the Richmond Hill Heritage Register – File Number D12-18001 – (Staff Report SRPRS.18.091) – pages 151 to 153

Staff confirmed that the property owners of 400 Stouffville Road had only been notified last week that their property would be considered by Heritage Richmond Hill at the April 10, 2018 meeting.

Discussion took place regarding the protection measures in place when a property was listed on the Municipal Heritage Register and the impact of the listing to a homeowner. Staff provided details regarding the demolition permit process and explained that once a property was included on the Heritage Register, the owner was not permitted to demolish without providing Council 60 days to review the cultural heritage value of the property prior to issuing a decision on a proposed demolition.

Committee further discussed the need for an assessment of the changes that had occurred to the property over the years. I. James advised that more analysis and research would be required for a designation evaluation of a property and that the listing process primarily provides protection from demolition. She clarified that the property owner would only be responsible for providing a Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment if they applied for a demolition permit.

Moved by: Councillor West

a) That SRPRS.18.091 regarding the property located at 400 Stouffville Road being included as a "listed" property in the Richmond Hill Heritage Register be deferred to the May 8, 2018 Heritage Richmond Hill Committee meeting.

Carried

2. Heritage Permit Application for 107 Hall Street – File Number D12-07223 – (Staff Report SRPRS.18.079) – pages 1 to 110

I. James, Heritage and Urban Design Planner, provided background information relating to the property located at 107 Hall Street including the designation of the property under the *Ontario Heritage Act*; Heritage Permit Application; development proposal; Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment completed in 2015; and Cultural Plan completed in 2018. She reviewed the recommendations of the Cultural Plan which identified the proposed house relocation plan, and advised that staff supported the proposal to have the original Langstaff House front façade face Hall Street.

General discussion ensued regarding the relocation, re-orientation and restoration of the Langstaff House, including discussion of the alignment of the bay windows; location of the original front door, rear doorway and staircase; use of the house over the years as a doctor's house, hospital and family residence. Committee heard comments from Joan Burt, Joan Burt Architect, regarding the rational for rotation of the building to orient the original front façade toward Hall Street. Nicole Sampogna, Evans Planning, noted that the development proposal had been approved through an Ontario Municipal Board mediation process.

Committee Members acknowledged the efforts taken by the owner to conserve and protect the designated house and there was general agreement that the proposal outlined in the Conservation Plan for 107 Hall Street supported preserving the house and moving it to a better location.

Committee Members also expressed their desire to preserve the original intent of the house and agreement with the Richmond Hill Historical Society and Langstaff family that the current orientation of the house be maintained.

Staff noted that any changes to the interior of the house would require approval by Heritage Richmond Hill and that staff's recommendation was that the proposal to turn the building to orient the original front façade toward Hall Street be supported.

Following discussion of the building orientation, the recommendation contained in staff report SRPRS.18.079 was revised to reflect that the orientation of the building be retained.

Moved by: M. Andre

Recommendation 1

That the Heritage Richmond Hill Committee recommends to Council:

- Considered at the
April 23, 2018a)That the Heritage Permit Application to relocate, rehabilitate and
restore the Langstaff House at 107 Hall Street be approved subject to
the following conditions:
 - (i) The owner amend the Conservation Plan dated February 2018 to retain the current orientation of the building in accordance with the Town's requirements and staff's satisfaction thereof;
 - (ii) The owner obtain Site Plan Approval from the Town; and
 - (iii) The owner enter into a Heritage Relocation and Restoration Agreement containing provisions for the posting of securities considered by the Town to be sufficient to provide for the post relocation restoration of the structure in accordance with the accepted Conservation Plan and restricting any site works including building relocation until Site Plan Approval has been issued; and,

b) That upon registration of the approved condominium reference plan, an amendment to the Heritage Designation By-law also be registered on the revised title to the property.

Carried

3. Notice of Intent to Demolish 222 Richmond Street – File Number D12-07376 – (Staff Report SRPRS.18.090)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Recommendation 2

Approved at the That the Heritage Richmond Hill Committee recommends to Council:

April 16, 2018 Council Meeting

- a) That the property located at 222 Richmond Street does not merit cultural heritage designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;
 - b) That 222 Richmond Street be removed from the Town of Richmond Hill's Municipal Heritage Register.

Carried

Next Meeting

The next meeting of Heritage Richmond Hill was scheduled for Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved by: D. Lam

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.