



Heritage Richmond Hill

Minutes

HRH#04-19

Tuesday, July 9, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

Committee Room 1

225 East Beaver Creek Road

Richmond Hill, Ontario

Committee Members Present: Councillor West
James Counter (Ward 1)
Helen Lu (Ward 3)
Dan Kelly (Ward 4)
Doris Dumais (Ward 6)
Al Itwar (Member at Large)
Anthony Yeung (Education Community)
Joseph Deveau (Richmond Hill Public Library)

Regrets: Morteza Behrooz (Ward 2) Chair
Marj Andre (Richmond Hill Historical Society) Vice-Chair
Councillor Cilevitz
Barbara DiMambro (Ward 5)

Staff Members Present:

J. Leung, Manager, Urban Design
P. Vega, Urban Design/Heritage Planner
G. Collier, Deputy City Clerk
K. Hurley, Council/Committee Coordinator
A. Foran, Legislative and Projects Advisor

In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair, Committee agreed to commence the meeting at 7:12 p.m. for staff to present Item 4.1. Following staff's presentation, Committee consented to Doris Dumais acting as Chair, and the meeting was officially called to order at 7:45 p.m.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: A. Itwar

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried

2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

3.1 Extracts - Council meeting C#24-19 held May 28, 2019

Moved by: A. Itwar

a) That the extracts from Council Meeting C#24-19 held May 28, 2019 regarding staff report SRPRS.19.091 and staff report SRPRS.19.092 be received.

Carried

3.2 Minutes - Heritage Richmond Hill meeting HRH#03-19 held June 11, 2019

Moved by: A. Itwar

a) That the minutes of Heritage Richmond Hill meeting HRH#03-19 held June 11, 2019 be adopted.

Carried

4. Scheduled Business

4.1 Impact of Bill 108 on the *Ontario Heritage Act* - Overview by Joanne Leung, Manager, Urban Design, and Pamela Vega, Urban Design/Heritage Planner

P. Vega, Urban Design/Heritage Planner, provided an overview of the impact of Bill 108: *More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019* and provided a summary of changes that would have an impact on the *Ontario Heritage Act* including:

- Mandatory notice to owner is required for listing a property on the Register.
- No end date to appeal the listing of a property on the Register.
- New deadlines:
 - 90-day deadline for designation after “prescribed events”;
 - If a Designating By-law not passed in 120 days, publish Notice of Withdrawal.

- Two opportunities to object to designation:
 - Stage One: Within 30 days of Notice of Intention being published;
 - Stage Two: Within 30 days of By-law being passed.
- New definitions:
 - “Alteration”;
 - “Demolition”.
- “Prescribed Principles” added.
- Further requirements of Designating By-law to be regulated.
- List of required material for alteration applications will be regulated.
- Steps to repeal designation after demolition may vary based on circumstances.

Staff advised that Bill 108 was passed into law in June, but regulations have not yet been released. General discussion ensued amongst Committee members regarding the implications of the various changes resulting from Bill 108 on the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Moved by: D. Kelly

a) That the overview by Joanne Leung, Manager, Urban Design, and Pamela Vega, Urban Design/Heritage Planner, regarding the impact of Bill 108 on the *Ontario Heritage Act*, be received.

Carried

4.2 City of Richmond Hill's Heritage Plaque Program - Verbal Update by Joanne Leung, Manager, Urban Design, and Pamela Vega, Urban Design/Heritage Planner

P. Vega, Urban Design/Heritage Planner, provided an update regarding the City's Heritage Plaque Program. She advised that staff met with the Designation Sub-Committee and that they had three draft recommendations to bring forward for future consideration as follows:

- Continuation of the bronze plaque program;

- Re-launch of the wooden plaque program as an optional educational program for the owners of listed properties; and
- As part of the larger educational program, investigate whether the Heritage Register could be incorporated into the existing online mapping.

Committee members discussed the plaque programs, and the advantages of having heritage related information available as part of the City's online mapping and GIS.

Moved by: A. Itwar

a) That the verbal update by Joanne Leung, Manager, Urban Design, and Pamela Vega, Urban Design/Heritage Planner, regarding the City of Richmond Hill's Heritage Plaque Program, be received.

Carried

5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Heritage Richmond Hill was scheduled for Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

6. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor West

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.