

Special Heritage Richmond Hill

Minutes

HRH#06-22 Tuesday, July 26, 2022, 7:00 p.m. (Electronic Meeting pursuant to Section 238(3.3) of the Municipal Act, 2001)

An Electronic Special Heritage Richmond Hill Meeting, pursuant to Section 238(3.3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001,* of the Council of the City of Richmond Hill was held on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via videoconference.

Committee Members present via videoconference:

Marj Andre (Richmond Hill Historical Society) Chair Barbara DiMambro (Ward 5) Vice-Chair Councillor Sheppard Kidambi Raj (Ward 3) Dan Kelly (Ward 4) Jenica Veenstra (Richmond Hill Public Library) Al Itwar (Member at Large)

Regrets:

Councillor Cilevitz
James Counter (Ward 1)
Helen Lu (Ward 3)
Doris Dumais (Ward 6)
Tom Pechkovsky (Education Community)

The following members of Staff were present via videoconference:

- J. Leung, Manager, Heritage and Urban Design
- P. Vega, Heritage/Urban Design Planner
- R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk
- L. Sampogna, Council/Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and provided opening remarks with respect to tonight's electronic Special Heritage Richmond Hill meeting.

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2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: K. Raj

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried

3. 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*.

4. Scheduled Business

4.1 SRPI.22.088 - Notice of Intent to Demolish 83 Arnold Crescent - City File D12-07016

Pamela Vega, Urban Design/Heritage Planner, provided an overview of the property located at 83 Arnold Crescent and reviewed the recommendations contained in staff report SRPI.22.088.

Committee members advised of their support with the information and recommendations contained in the staff report regarding the Notice of Intent to Demolish 83 Arnold Crescent.

Members of committee shared concerns with the possibility that other homes on the street that are listed on the City's Heritage Register as non-designated properties may apply for demolition, noting that it could change the neighbourhood within the historical part of downtown Richmond Hill. Committee members inquired whether the proposed building would be required to tie historical significance or fit architectural style into the neighbourhood. Staff responded by clarifying what was considered cultural heritage value, reviewed the demolition application process and general design requirements in the Village Core area, and noted that staff would work with the applicant to ensure that character and proportion of the new build would suit the area.

Moved by: J. Veenstra

That Heritage Richmond Hill recommends to Council:

- a) That the property located at 83 Arnold Crescent does not merit cultural heritage designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;
- b) That 83 Arnold Crescent be removed from the City of Richmond Hill Heritage Register.

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Carried Unanimously

5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Heritage Richmond Hill was scheduled on September 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

6. Adjournment

Moved by: A. Itwar

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.