

Heritage Richmond Hill Minutes

HRH#01-25 Thursday, February 6, 2025, 3:00 p.m.

A Heritage Richmond Hill meeting of the Council of the City of Richmond Hill was held on Thursday, February 6, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. via videoconference.

Committee Members present via videoconference:

Councillor Cilevitz (Chair)

Barbara Di Mambro (Vice-Chair)

Timothy Cheng

Councillor Davidson

Brian Hatt

Anete Ivsina (Richmond Hill Public Library)

Dianne McLeod

Agnes Parr (Richmond Hill Historical Society)

Regrets:

Bob Berube

Barbara Maher-Erwin Joanne Schreiber Nancy Spinks

Also in attendance:

Councillor Thompson

Staff Members present via videoconference:

- K. Chaudry, Manager, Heritage and Urban Design
- P. Vega, Urban Design/Heritage Planner
- R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk
- S. Dumont, Council/Committee Coordinator

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1. Call to Order

Chair Cilevitz called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

On behalf of the Committee, Councillor Cilevitz welcomed Brian Hatt, who was recently appointed to the Heritage Richmond Hill Committee.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: A. Parr

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried Unanimously

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. Adoption of Previous Minutes

4.1 Minutes - Heritage Richmond Hill meeting HRH#09-24 held December5, 2024

Moved by: B. Di Mambro

a) That the minutes of Heritage Richmond Hill meeting HRH#09-24 held December 5, 2024, be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

5. Delegation(s)

There were no delegations.

6. Scheduled Business

6.1 SRPBS.25.021 - Notice to Demolish the Buildings at 53 St. Laurent Drive – City File D12-07405

Committee members requested confirmation from staff that the building at 53 St. Laurent Drive did not qualify for heritage designation, as it failed to meet the necessary criteria and lacked historical significance. Members expressed confidence in staff's assessment of the property and shared their agreement with the recommendations in the staff report.

An inquiry was made regarding whether the property had been listed under previous criteria that no longer apply, as its designation appeared February 6, 2025 HRH#01-25

inconsistent with current standards. Additional questions were raised about the development plans for the surrounding area.

Moved by: Councillor Davidson

That Heritage Richmond Hill recommends to Council:

- a) That staff report SRPBS.25.021 be received;
- b) That Council approve the demolition of 53 St. Laurent Drive; and
- c) That, once the buildings are demolished, 53 St. Laurent Drive be removed from Richmond Hill's Heritage Register.

Carried Unanimously

7. Adjournment

Moved by: B. Hatt

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 3:17 p.m.