

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS
THE NINTH MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE ROOM #304
CITY HALL

OCTOBER 16, 2018

5:35 p.m. The meeting convened with Russell Schnurr, Chair, presiding.

ATTENDANCE

Members

Russell Schnurr, Chair
Harrison Cole
Councillor Joan Rymal
Tino Clarke
Todd Noble
Joe Docherty
Jennifer Childs
Craig Crane

City Officials

Melanie Knapp, Corporate Administrative and
Accessibility Clerk, Secretary
Ross Tucker, Director, Parks, Recreation and
Property Management

Others

Harold Swimm, agent, 519 & 523 Talbot Street
Craig Hansford, agent, 389 & 393 Talbot Street
Matt McLellan, owner, 244-248 Talbot Street

Absent

Lisa Kelly

MINUTES

Motion by Councillor Rymal - H. Cole:

THAT: The minutes of the meeting held on September 6, 2018 be confirmed.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Renovations to City Hall and East Pavilion Roof, Pinafore Park

The Director, Parks, Recreation and Property Management provided the members with an update on the renovations at City Hall. The Environmental Services Department would experience extensive renovations in the coming weeks and employees would be relocated to the Memorial Arena while renovations were ongoing.

The Director, Parks, Recreation and Property Management stated replacement of the roof were proposed for the East Pavilion (Marshall Fields) at Pinafore Park. Black barn steel materials would be used from the London Eco-Metal Manufacturing Inc.

The members confirmed their acceptance of both projects and asked about the previously proposed project at the main pavilion.

The Director, Parks, Recreation and Property Management stated that the main pavilion project was included in the 2019 Budget.

Heritage Alteration Permit - 519 and 523 Talbot Street

Mr. Swimm gave the members an outline of the proposed alterations to 519 and 523 Talbot Street. Proposed alterations included replacing the facade with heritage brick, window replacement and installing new signage.

Mr. Crane asked about the arches in the windows.

Mr. Swimm stated that the drawings are simply for reference and are not the final drawings.

Councillor Rymal asked about the door on the left side of the building.

Mr. Swimm stated that there are stairs leading up to the second and third floors.

CONFIRMED _____ CHAIRMAN

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The Chair stated that the Committee would need to review the updated drawings and that the priority is to keep as much of the original materials as possible.

Mr. Swimm stated that an engineer assessed the facade and said that the siding is mounted on with strapping and that the facade underneath that is most likely damaged.

Mr. Noble stated that the brick will likely be heavily damaged and need to be replaced.

The Committee made the following suggestions for the applicant:

- Maintain the arches above the windows
- Enlarge front windows
- Keep as much original brick as possible
- Construct storefront flush along Talbot Street

The Committee also asked to see the applicant's revised plans as soon as possible.

Mr. Swimm stated that he had also applied for a CIP grant.

Heritage Alteration Permit - 389 and 393 Talbot Street

Mr. Hansford stated that he would like to clean up the front of the building to house a real estate business and a gym in the near future. A severance had been granted for the property and he wished to reuse as many bricks as possible to fix up the facade. He was not sure if he would keep the vertical sign and asked the Committee what to do about the windows.

The Chair stated that the vertical sign would need to be removed in accordance with the City's sign by-law. Further, he stated that the arches on the windows are an important part of the facade.

Mr. Crane agreed that the arches were important and had a concern about the engineered elevations on the main street.

The Committee made the following suggestions for the applicant:

- Maintain the arches above the windows
- Remove vertical sign
- Retain as much original brick as possible

The Committee also asked to see the applicant's revised plans as soon as possible.

Proposed Heritage Alteration Permit - 244-248 Talbot Street

Mr. McLellan stated that he had had a pre-consultation meeting with Planning staff and the City Manager and would be submitting the heritage alteration permit as soon as possible. He stated that it was an emergency situation to replace the bricks that were falling down off of the building.

Mr. McLellan asked about painting the entire facade to make it all match and putting in new windows.

The Committee made the following suggestions for the applicant:

- Retain as much original brick as possible
- Do not paint the brickwork

The Chair stated that the Committee would wait to receive the application from the Planning Department.

2019 Budget

Motion by T. Noble - C. Crane:

THAT: The Municipal Heritage Committee approve the 2019 budget as follows:

\$1,000	Secretarial Support
\$1,500	Program Supplies
<u>\$3,000</u>	Education/Promotion
\$5,500	

Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alma College Redevelopment

The Chair stated that an application was approved by the CIP Evaluation Committee and that the OMB Order still needed to be lifted.

763-767 Talbot Street

The Chair stated that the owners had received their new plaque and would be installing it at a future date.

Food Basics Site Plan Review

The Chair thanked Mr. Cole for the organization of the photos for the Food Basics site.

The Chair stated that the paperwork was being completed for the walkway at the edge of the property.

NEXT MEETING

To be determined.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by H. Cole - J. Docherty:

THAT: We do now adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Carried.