

THE THIRD MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE

VIA ZOOM

MARCH 9, 2022

5:00 p.m. The meeting convened.

ATTENDANCE

Members

Russell Schnurr, Chair
Councillor Steve Peters
Ryan Belanger
Jennifer Childs
Tino Clarke
David Goodwin
Steven McLarty-Payson

City Officials

J. Hindley, Corporate Admin & Accessibility Clerk
J. Bray, Director, Parks & Recreation

Others

Saira Mohammad, Student
Rob Simonds, Carol Simonds, Heritage Bike Tour

Absent

Harrison Cole
Ed van der Maarel

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

MINUTES

Motion by Steven McLarty-Payson - Councillor Peters:

THAT: The minutes of the meeting held on February 9, 2022 be confirmed.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Heritage Bike Tour

Mr. Rob Simonds and Ms. Carol Simonds, Railway City Cycling Club were in attendance to discuss a proposed Heritage Bike Tour event and potential heritage sites to include along the route.

Mr. Simonds advised that he had been working with staff from the St. Thomas Public Library and that an example of a heritage site could be The Motor Man Shop at 11 Manitoba Street, formerly a carriage repair shop. He further advised that the Cycling Club would engage with current property owners of identified heritage sites.

Mr. Simonds discussed potential components of the event, including a guided tour for the launch ride, scavenger hunt or passport for children and QR posters in the windows of identified locations so that it can be used as a self-guided route as well.

The Chair advised that London had created some cycling routes for Canada 150 in 2017.

The members discussed the fact that there are existing cycling routes established for the City and the Committee has research already in place for many heritage sites.

Mr. Simonds advised that the ideal number of sites has to be established.

The Chair advised that he may be able to have some students through Fanshawe College assist with the community project and that some further dialogue could take place after the meeting.

Request for Alterations - 10 Centre Street

The members discussed previous renovations to the property in the 1990's which uncovered an old brick oven in the kitchen and whether the current owner had any photographs of this work.

CONFIRMED _____ CHAIRMAN

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Motion by Steven McLarty-Payson - Ryan Belanger:

THAT: The request received from Paul Donelan, 10 Centre Street requesting consent to a proposed alteration to replace the existing roof with a metal roof option be received for information; and further,

THAT: The Municipal Heritage Committee supports the request to replace the existing roof with a board and batten style black metal roof at 10 Centre Street; and further,

THAT: The Committee direct the Chair to prepare a report for Council.

Carried.

Request for Alterations - 50 Wellington Street

The Director, Parks & Recreation provided an overview for planned renovations to the interior of 50 Wellington Street, including drop ceilings to cover new HVAC ductwork and lighting, and new walls to sub-divide offices, which in some locations would cover the tin ceilings. He further advised that the radiators and blackboards would be removed.

The members inquired about keeping some of the removed items, such as the blackboards onsite.

The Director, Parks & Recreation advised that the City would store the blackboards in the attic.

The Director, Parks & Recreation advised that where exposed, tin ceilings will be repaired or restored.

Motion by Ryan Belanger - Tino Clarke:

THAT: The request received from Jeff Bray, Director of Parks, Recreation and Property Management requesting consent to proposed alterations to erect new walls and suspended ceilings in certain areas of 50 Wellington Street be received for information; and further,

THAT: The Municipal Heritage Committee supports the request to erect new walls and suspended ceilings in certain areas of 50 Wellington Street; and further,

THAT: The Committee direct the Chair to prepare a report for Council.

Carried.

15 Flora Street Update - CIP Program Committee

The Chair advised that after some proposed amendments to the façades at 15 Flora Street, the CIP Program Committee had recommended funding for the development proposal.

Heritage Alteration Permit - 341 Talbot Street

The Chair advised that Council had refused the Heritage Alteration Permit for 341 Talbot Street and that the Director of Planning & Building Services would be reviewing ways to address the Order on the property.

244-248 Talbot Street - Committee of Adjustment

The Chair advised that the Committee of Adjustment would be reviewing a Minor Variance application for the proposed development at 244-248 Talbot Street at its meeting on March 24, 2022.

30 South Edgeware Road

Councillor Peters advised that the former Locke house at 30 South Edgeware Road had been sold.

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The Corporate Administrative & Accessibility Clerk advised that two consent applications had recently been received for 30 South Edgeware and that the proposal was to retain a lot with the existing house and build a three-unit townhouse development on each of the severed lots.

Student Update

Saira Mohammad provided an overview of updates that have been made to the mapping in MapMe, including the addition of the Millersburg area properties. She advised that more photos should be added to the mapping within the next week.

The Chair advised that Justin Wood had resigned to focus on his school workload and that Saira's contract would be ending in the near future.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on April 13, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

6:08 p.m. The meeting adjourned.