

Chair:

Councillor Steele

Commissioners:L. Tannen
R. Hart
S. Thomas**Absent:**B. Hol
J. Turner
W. Farrand, Vice-Chair**Guests:**B. McGinn, Barry McGinn Architect
C. Hogan, Focus Architecture
D. Jack, Surrey Environmental Partners
D. Johnson, Surrey Heritage Society
E. Reid, Surrey Heritage Society
J. Foulkes, Surrey Heritage Society
J. Rempel, Rempel Development Group Ltd.
S. Theuerkauf, Barry McGinn Architect**Staff Present:**E. Schultz, Planning & Development
J. O'Donnell, Parks, Recreation and Culture
M. Petrovic, Engineering
P. Lau, Planning & Development
T. Mueller, Legislative Services

Before the meeting began, the Chair requested the agenda be amended to include two new items put forward by Commissioner Thomas.

It was

Moved by Commissioner Tannen
Seconded by Commissioner HartThat the agenda be varied to include the following two items under Section G.
Information Items as follows:

1. Potential Heritage Tree Nomination
2. Proposed Walkway joining the Jim Pattison Outpatient Care and Surgery Centre with Surrey Memorial Hospital (Surrey Rotary Club).

Carried**A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission Minutes – February 22, 2012.

It was

Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Thomas
That the minutes of the February 22, 2012

Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission meeting be adopted.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS**1. N. Kassam, Budget Services Manager**
File: 0540-20 V

In attendance before the Commission to discuss the SHAC Financial Summary and provide advice / direction on re-allocation of funds to specific initiatives, such as conferences and storyboard design / maintenance.

The following comments were made:

- The delegation referred to the Terms of Reference outlined in Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission By-Law No. 13282, where the Commission is requested to provide a proposed budget in the fall of each fiscal year. The delegation clarified the annual operating budget for SHAC is \$23,000 and that any amount requested above the allocation above must be endorsed by Council.
- It was explained that the SHAC budget is broken out into various categories and that were initially provided by the Commission. Reallocation of funds from the unrestricted portion can occur; however, any proposed budget amendments are subject to Council approval. It is recommended that amendments take place through the Budget Process however if the Commission desires, they can send a separate request to Council for any reallocation of funds.
- Regarding conferences and events, the delegation recommended the Commission submit a recommendation to Council with a list of conferences they wish to attend with the associated costs. Additional funding for conferences can be achieved through reallocation of budget line items through SHAC recommendation and Council endorsement.
- With respect to purchasing additional storyboards, the delegation recommended the Commission provide Council with a list of storyboards to be repaired, as well as a list of proposed storyboards to be purchased, requesting monies already set aside for storyboard purchase/repair/maintenance in the reserve funds for specified locations be used first. Any additional funds required may be requested from the unrestricted portion of the reserve fund. The delegation clarified the initial cost estimate from staff for storyboards in the new prototype was \$1,600 / unit and further clarified the recommendation from Parks, Recreation and Culture staff is to pilot a sign at one location; if the pilot is successful, the Commission could submit a request for quotes for additional signs at that time.
- With respect to the proposed heritage photography project, there is \$4,500 allocated in the budget for Sponsorships and Grants; the delegation recommended the Commission to submit a proposal to Council for approval.
- The delegation clarified there are funds in the budget that are restricted, meaning they are tied to resolutions to be used only in support of specific initiatives (as outlined in the resolution). Staff clarified if monies were left over from a restricted expenditure, remaining funds could be reallocated, by Commission resolution for Council endorsement.
- The delegation also clarified that the unrestricted funds in the reserve can be used for any purpose the Commission desires upon Council approval.

The Commission requested staff to provide the full list of restricted resolutions for review at the next SHAC meeting.

It was Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Tannen
That the Heritage Advisory Commission recommends that the Budget Services Manager provide detail regarding the restricted funds for storyboards and the associated resolutions specific to each item.

Carried

2. **J. Boan, Manager, Transportation re: Relocation of Heritage Oak Tree 32 Avenue Connector at King George Boulevard**
File: 5400-80-03200; 6800-05

In attendance before the Commission to discuss, the removal of the Heritage English Oak located at 32A Avenue and King George Boulevard.

The following comments were made:

- There has been a long standing plan to connect 148 Street with 32 Avenue. Engineering Staff met with the Commission on February 24, 2010 and on July 27, 2011 regarding options to address the heritage Oak Tree at 32 Avenue. Initially, Engineering looked at using a large spade type machine to relocate the tree; however, the following issues were identified:
 - Sensitive fiber optic cable which significantly increased the cost estimate of the tree removal from \$65,000 to \$100,000.
 - Reduced tree survival outlined in the arbourist report - from 90% to 50% which made relocation a questionable expenditure.
- At the July 27, 2011 meeting, SHAC had requested staff to review and bring back recommendations. At that time, SHAC had indicated that the estimate fees associated with removal and relocation (\$100,000) did not make sense due to the 50% survival rate, it was determined it was preferable for Engineering Staff to do something substantive in terms of compensation.
- Proposed compensation measures are as follows:
 1. Plant one larger (minimum 13 cm), non-offspring, English Oak Tree in close proximity to existing location.
 2. Plant 50 (5 cm) Heritage English Oak offspring throughout South Surrey in the Fall of 2012 in Parks and Engineering road allowance; and
 3. Construct and provide maintenance funding for two Heritage Storyboards regarding the Heritage English Oaks located along King George Boulevard at Crescent Road and at 152 Street.
 4. Engineering will supplement this by planting along King George Boulevard 50 additional oak tree saplings that were grown from the original Heritage Oak Tree acorns in nurseries.

- Staff noted they explored the possibility of splitting the road around the tree; the problem is the best that can be achieved is 2.5 metres on either side of the trunk which is not deemed sufficient distance and would greatly compromise the life of the tree. Staff clarified trees in other areas of the road expansion project would not be negatively impacted and explained the idea of the road connection is to make it easier for the neighbourhood to access King George Boulevard due to the turning movement restrictions on 32 Avenue.
- Members of the Commission commented they were not convinced storyboards are the best way to provide interpretation as the area is very traffic intensive. The Commission further noted there should be consultation with Heritage Services to see if there is an alternative. Engineering staff clarified they will work with the Commission and Heritage Services if the wish is to use the proposed storyboard funds for other methods of heritage interpretation.
- The Chair clarified that city staff had the forethought to collect acorns to propagate the heritage oak tree and noted staff are working to devise a sustainable plan regarding what would be done with the wood from the tree if it is removed, i.e., it could be donated to a number of local sources to further showcase heritage, etc. Additionally, photographs of the tree will be taken; some wood could be used in the New City Hall, etc.
- The Chair further clarified that the proposed roadway was approved by Council and detailed relevant background information was provided by Engineering.

It was discussed that staff and the Commission has had extensive conversation and deliberation regarding this matter and all members of the Commission care deeply about the city, heritage conservation, and parks. The proposed compensation allows an opportunity to create awareness for Heritage Oak trees for future generations.

The Chair advised the guests in attendance that this item will be forwarded to Council for the final decision and noted if individuals wish to speak to the matter they are welcome to request a delegation to be heard by Council by contacting the City Clerk's office in writing.

RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Thomas
That the Heritage Advisory Commission

(HAC) recommends that Council:

1. Receive the Heritage Tree at 32A Avenue and King George Boulevard report as information (Appendix 1).
2. Support the recommendation regarding the removal of the Heritage English Oak; and
3. Support the proposed compensation package, described more fully in the report.

Carried

3. **B. McGinn, McGinn Engineering & Preservation Ltd.**

File: 6800-10; 7907-0115-00

To provide an overview of proposed changes to the Conservation Plan for Meadow Ridge Farm (Bose Farm West) 16390 – 64 Avenue.

The following comments were made:

- Staff introduced the amendment to the Meadow Ridge Farm conservation plan and noted that the application received 3rd Reading on January 25, 2010 and includes the proposed dedication of 12 acres of forest to the city as well as the retention and restoration of three heritage buildings.
- The delegation noted that the current conservation plan provides for the retention and restoration of the original 1936 “potato and machinery” barn and the reconstruction of the 1939 “dairy” and “calving” barn additions. It also involves the restoration and re-use of the farmhouse as two residential units and the restoration and adaptive re-use of the dairy building as a potting shed.
- The proposed amendment to the conservation strategy would allow for the restoration and rehabilitation the original 1936 “potato machinery” barn. The south end of the barn would be glazed to allow for a higher level of exposure and interpretation. The 1939 “calving” barn addition would be replaced with a contemporary amenity building, and the footprint of the 1939 “dairy” barn addition would be recalled with a low foundation wall which would also act as the enclosure for an herb garden. A similar strategy would be used to recall the footprint of the silos (which were removed from the property many years ago).
- The restoration plan for the Dairy Building would allow for the adaptive re-use of the building as a potting shed, as was previously proposed, and would allow it to be used to house a permanent interpretive exhibit on the Bose farm.
- The delegation clarified that they are taking a light approach to the original 1936 “potato and machinery” barn. The exposed skeletal character will be maintained with minimal structural stabilization to enable the building to meet the load requirements.
- Commissioner Hart commented that while he supports the overall approach, he believes the proposed contemporary amenity building needs some additional work to make it more unique. He also suggested that the glazed south end of the Barn be revisited and consideration be given to reducing the starkness of the glazing. The Commission asked what would happen to salvaged materials and suggested that any wood that can be salvaged be repurposed. The Chair noted that the entire site will be properly documented. The delegation clarified that a thorough documentation package will be prepared and submitted to the City.
- Commissioner Tannen liked the items being retained and noted with respect to the overall context of the new building; further consideration should be given to the colour scheme used for the building, as it looks unfinished. It is an opportunity to reinvent West Coast architecture.
- The Chair noted the proposal will be put forward for Council’s consideration and requested the Commission to make a recommendation to accept the recommendation with a clause that the planning department will consider implementing other changes as discussed by the Commission.

- The applicant's architect clarified that the design of the contemporary amenity building is intended to reflect the agricultural context. Opening up the south end of the 1936 "potato and machinery" barn celebrates the structure. The roofline of the contemporary amenity building is intended to reflect a typical shed roof barn addition turned 90 degrees. The wood detailing on the west side of the amenity building is required, from a sustainability perspective, to provide shade. It is also intended to recall a typical rail fence that would be found on farm property. There are subtle references built into the design concept. The architect acknowledged that there are opportunities to do things differently with colours and finishes and committed to working with planning staff to address the design and context issues raised at today's meeting.

It was Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Thomas
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission:

1. Receive the Proposed Amendments to the Meadow Ridge Farm (16390 64 Avenue) Conservation Plan report as information.
2. Recommends to the General Manager, Planning and Development, that staff be directed to amend the Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) for Meadow Ridge Farm to reflect the revised conservation strategy for the site.
3. Recommends that the applicant address the concerns identified by the Commission to the satisfaction of the Planning and Development Department.

Carried

C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

- (a) **Memo re: Proposed Amendments to Meadow Ridge Farm (16390 – 64 Avenue) Conservation Plan**
File: 6800-10; 7907-0115-00

Note: This item was addressed earlier in the meeting during the Delegation Presentation, Item B3.

- (b) **HAC Task List**
File: 0540-20V

It was
recommends that the HAC Task List be received as information.
Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Thomas
That the Heritage Advisory Commission
Carried

2. **PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURE**

3. **ENGINEERING**

4. **LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**

- (a) **2012 Good Citizen Award Information & Nomination Form**
File: 0290-05 GC

The Chair invited members of the Commission to submit their recommendations to the City Clerk's office.

E. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

F. CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Council Resolutions re: Public Hearing, Monday, March 12, 2012**
RES. R12-580-583

It was
receives the correspondence of March 28, 2012 HAC as information.
Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Tannen
That the Heritage Advisory Commission
Carried

2. **Email received from J. Macdonald re: Kennedy Trail – Storyboard & Interpretive Signs**
File: 6800-10

The following comments were made:

- Members of the Commission agreed J. Macdonald should be heard as a delegation and noted it would be worthwhile to have a discussion if storyboards are the most appropriate way to address heritage interpretation.

It was
 Moved by Commissioner Hart
 Seconded by Commissioner Thomas
 That the Heritage Advisory Commission
 recommends that J. Macdonald be heard as a delegation to provide information
 regarding a proposed Storyboard – Interpretative sign for Kennedy Trail.

Carried

The Chair requested consideration is given to installing signage that identifies the Fraser River. It was discussed that Surrey Environmental Partners is currently exploring signage, as currently there are no vantage points or opportunities for the public to experience the Fraser and watch the active port and the river.

Engineering staff clarified that the roads are outside of the City of Surrey's jurisdiction and both have to do with TransLink and the Ministry of Transportation.

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **Process for Nominating Heritage Tree (Private Property – approximately Fraser Hwy & 184 Street)**

Staff clarified that if Commissioners (or the public) wish to nominate a tree as a “heritage tree”, a nomination form should be completed and submitted to the Trees and Landscaping section of the Planning and Development Department. For a tree located on private property, property owner consent is required to have the tree listed in Schedule B of the Tree Protection By-law.

2. **Proposal for Walkway joining the Jim Pattison Outpatient Care and Surgery Centre with Surrey Memorial Hospital (Surrey Rotary Club).**

Is there some way to document the historical significance and if the Loyal Orange Lodge could be donated to the location. The Chair suggested it would be an item for discussion with the Parks department.

3. **Fusion Festival 2012 (Holland Park)**

The Chair requested that staff check and see if space can be made available for the HAC at this year's Flavours of Surrey event at Fusion Festival.

It was
 Moved by Commissioner Hart
 Seconded by Commissioner Tannen
 That the Heritage Advisory Commission
 recommends that staff request a booth be allocated for the Heritage Advisory
 Commission to participate in the 2012 Flavours of Surrey event at Fusion Festival.

Carried

H. TASK/LIAISON GROUPS

I. FINANCIALS**1. Financial Summary as at February 29, 2012**
File: 0540-20V

It was
recommends that the Financial Summary as at February 29, 2012 be received as information.

Moved by Commissioner Tannen
Seconded by Commissioner Thomas
That the Heritage Advisory Commission

Carried

The following comments were made:

- The Chair noted that members of the Commission can make the recommendation at any time if they wish to change the funding / budget allocations.
- Staff was asked to make a list of potential conferences for Commission consideration, at which time the Commission will decide which members should attend.
- The Chair noted that expenses to attend conferences, including travel, can be paid in advance rather than going through the reimbursement process.

RECOMMENDATION

It was
recommends to Council amend Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission Establishment By-law, 1997, No. 13282, Part V, Expenditures (e) to allow minor expenditures up to and including \$2,500.

Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Tannen
That the Heritage Advisory Commission

Carried

J. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Heritage Advisory Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, April 18, 2012 in the Executive Boardroom (Mayor's Office) – 5:00 p.m.

K. ADJOURNMENT


It was

Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Tannen
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission meeting do now adjourn.

Carried

The Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission adjourned at 6:54 p.m.



Jane Sullivan, City Clerk



Chairperson, Councillor Steele