

Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission - Minutes

Executive Boardroom City Hall 14245 - 56 Avenue Surrey, B.C. **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012** Time: 5:06 p.m.

Present:

Chair - Councillor Steele B. Hol R. Hart S. Thomas W. Farrand

<u>Absent</u>: J. Turner L. Tannen

<u>Guests</u>: E. Reid, Surrey Heritage Society F. Schade, Metro Vancouver J. Macdonald, Kennedy Trail J. Vala, Metro Vancouver

Staff Present:

D. Luymes, Planning & Development E. Schultz, Planning & Development M. Petrovic, Engineering T. Mueller, Legislative Services

A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission Minutes – March 28, 2012.

It was

Moved by Commissioner Farrand Seconded by Commissioner Hol That the minutes of the March 28, 2012

Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission meeting be adopted.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

 J. Boan, Transportation Manager with D. McLeod, Transportation Engineer re: Heritage Oak Tree 32 Avenue Connector at King George Boulevard File: 5400-80-03200

- Staff appreciated the Commission's support of the compensation package proposed at the March 28, 2012 SHAC meeting and noted that following the meeting staff undertook further review of the 32 Avenue Connector plan to assess whether there were other viable options as an alternative to removing the tree.
- Staff clarified that tree retention at the 32 Avenue Connector site was originally not considered a viable option as diverting the road around the tree would not provide enough of a buffer to yield the highest possibility of survival.
- A revised intersection design around the tree was recently developed. While the operation of this new design is not optimal due to minimal lane widths and offset alignment, the relaxations proposed will allow the tree to be retained in its current location with an improved probability of the trees survival.

- Although the road infrastructure will be in close proximity to the tree, staff is
 working out the details to protect the tree from errant vehicles. In addition,
 the soil area will be maximized by extending the island westward to further
 improve the probability of survival.
- Staff will plant a number of additional trees along King George and in the South Surrey area, which would be considered compensation in the event that the Heritage Oak Tree does not survive. Engineering staff will be consulting with the Arbourist regarding a recommended watering plan.
- With the preservation of the tree, Engineering is no longer proposing to fund a story board as was discussed during the March 28, 2012 SHAC.

Commissioner Hart arrived at 5:15 p.m.

It was

Moved by Commissioner Hol Seconded by Commissioner Farrand That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission:

- 1. Supports the revised 32 Avenue Connector concept proposed by Engineering Staff that retains the Heritage Oak Tree.
- Considers the strategy to plant additional Oak Trees as adequate compensation for the potential future loss of the Heritage Oak Tree. <u>Carried</u>

The Chair and members of the Commission thanked staff for their due diligence and appreciate that everything possible was done to preserve the tree.

2. J. Macdonald re: Kennedy Trail – Storyboard & Interpretive Sign Request File: 6800-10

- The delegation provided an overview of the history of Kennedy Trail and shared that today remnants of the trail are still in use in Boundary Park and Corrigan Park.
- The delegation indicated that there is currently inaccurate information on the "community profiles" section of the City's website and suggested proposed revisions.
- The delegation made suggestions regarding possible "Kennedy Trail" storyboard locations for the Commission's consideration and noted the parking lot of Mud Bay Park Nature Trail would be a good location and provided suggested wording for the proposed storyboard.

Staff was asked to provide a report with recommendations regarding the delegation's suggested revisions to the City of Surrey website and request for the installation of storyboards related to the Kennedy Trail for the Commission's consideration.

It was

3.

Moved by Commissioner Hart Seconded by Commissioner Thomas That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission (SHAC) recommends that the delegation's presentation be received as information and referred to staff for a report back to the Commission. Carried

F. Schade, Manager Central Area Regional Parks, Metro Vancouver with Jamie Vala, Park Planner, Regional Parks File: 6800-10; 6800-20

To provide the Commission with an update on the status of the Gerow Barn (9641 – 176 Street).

- The delegation noted that the consultant's report is completed and was received by the Metro Vancouver Environment and Parks Committee. Their endorsement was to approve the report and to refer it to the SHAC for comment.
- The subject park is 640 acres in size. The north part runs along HWY 1 and the south part is along 96 Avenue. The Barn is located near the 176 Avenue exit on the freeway. In its current setting, the barn looks somewhat dilapidated. In the architectural report that was completed several years ago, it was described as a utilitarian barn, most unique from a structural framing perspective. It is right on the edge of a well-used trail. There have been 67,000 visitors since the trail opened.
- **Option A Original Barn Structure Retention** The oldest part would be retained, the rest would be taken down. The barn area would be planted with tall grasses and managed as if it was a barn in a rural setting. There would be an interpretive display on the site with subtext explaining the historical aspect of the barn. The total cost is \$189,000.
- **Option B Barn Removal** the interpretation would focus on the remnants of the foundation. The structural part of the barn would be taken away. The area would have same landscaping treatment as indicated in Option A with a tractor mow path to show the farming context. Under Option B, the landmark is lost and the buffer is lost.

Option C – Adaptive Uses - Another item for consideration is calling for a Request for Proposal (RFP) for adaptive uses of the barn. The right person might be able to retain the heritage landmark function while using the barn for another purpose. If this option was selected by the Commission, Metro Vancouver Staff would go back to the Environmental Parks committee.

The Commission asked for clarification on the monetary value of Option C, the assumption would be that the proponent would provide whatever is needed to facilitate the restoration of the barn. The delegation clarified that they may restore it for uses outside of what has been previously considered. The investment on behalf of an interested applicant might be more than \$200,000 and their security would be contingent on the scope of their investment.

Planning Staff asked what types of conditions would be placed on the types of uses for the RFP. Metro Vancouver Staff noted that strict parameters would be put in place to not only preserve the heritage aspect of the barn but also fit with the context of the park.

- The Commission noted the first preference is that the barn be retained, Option A. The Commission suggested an alternative use could be as a shelter for users of the park.
- The Chair asked if a cost sharing arrangement would be considered between Metro Vancouver and City of Surrey. Metro Vancouver staff clarified they are hoping to find alternative funding and once the Commission has provided comment, they will be meeting with the Pacific Parklands Foundation to determine interest.

It was

information.

Moved by Commissioner Hart Seconded by Commissioner Farrand That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission (SHAC) recommends that the Gerow Barn report be received as

Carried

C. **OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

D. **NEW BUSINESS**

1.

- **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**
 - Memo re: Brooksdale Estate (19353 16 Avenue) Subdivision and (a) Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) Application. File: 7912-0080-00; 68001
 - The Planning & Development Department recently received an application from the owners of Brooksdale Estate for a two lot subdivision and Heritage Revitalization Agreement.

- The application is to protect three buildings on the site which are in excellent condition. The buildings were designed by architect Ross A. Lort from Maclure and Lort in the 1930s. The property was created as a respite property for Sheldon Dwight (Sam) Brooks, the owner of Powell River Pulp & Paper.
- Staff clarified the applicant does not intend to demolish any other buildings on the site.

It was Moved by Commissioner Hart Seconded by Commissioner Hol That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission (SHAC) recommends that:

Commission (SHAC) recommends that:

- The memo re: Brooksdale Estate (19353 16 Avenue) Subdivision and Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) Application be received as information.
- 2. The General Manager, Planning and Development direct staff to proceed with the preparation of a Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) for the three (3) registered heritage buildings on the property.

Carried

Staff clarified that the delegation request from the applicants is to attend a future SHAC meeting when the Brooksdale Estate HRA is brought forward for the Commission's consideration.

It was

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

Commission recommends that:

- 1. The delegation request be accepted; and
- 2. Staff invite the applicant to attend an upcoming SHAC meeting when the draft HRA is presented to the Commission for consideration to allow the applicant to address any questions and provide clarification for members of the Commission.

<u>Carried</u>

(b) Memo re: Bulman's Garage (8745 / 8761 Harvie Road) HRA Application File: 7911-0262-00; 6800-1

- Staff noted that the property sits on 88 Avenue and Harvey Road.
- The Commission asked staff to ensure that the proposed gas station is designed in a style sensitive to the heritage building. Staff clarified that guidelines for gas stations are part of the OCP but noted the planner will be made aware of the Commission's comments.
- Staff clarified that the garage will be relocated but will retain its orientation to the street so it will be highly visible.

It was Moved by Commissioner Hol Seconded by Commissioner Farrand That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission (SHAC) recommends that:

- 1. The memo re: Bulman's Garage (8745 / 8761 Harvie Road) HRA Application be received as information.
- 2. The General Manager, Planning and Development be requested to direct staff to proceed with the preparation of an Interim Heritage Revitalization Agreement and Standard Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) for Bulman's Garage. <u>Carried</u>
- (c) Memo re: Daniel Johnson House (13951 Crescent Road) HRA Amendment/Heritage Alteration Permit File: 6800-10

- Staff noted that the Daniel Johnson House was destroyed by fire in 2010. The House was subject to an HRA requiring the House to be rebuilt in the event it was destroyed. The owners have applied for an HRA amendment and Heritage Alteration Permit to facilitate the reconstruction of the House, the construction of an addition to the House, and the construction of accessory buildings on the property. They are also requesting that the HRA be amended to accommodate some variances.
- Staff clarified the proposed change in use to allow for the construction of the coach house above the garage can be incorporated into the amended HRA and noted the Commission previously endorsed the construction of an addition, coach house, and pool house at the July 27, 2011 SHAC meeting.

SHAC was asked to provide comment and recommend that the . proposed amendments be forwarded to Council for consideration.

The Commission commented that they are supportive of the applicant's request to construct a balcony on the second floor of the west elevation and expressed appreciation of the owners in their continued work to retain the original spirit of the HRA.

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

Commission (SHAC) recommends that:

- The Daniel Johnson House (13951 Crescent Road) Heritage 1. Revitalization Agreement Amendment / HAP report be received as information.
- Once engineering, landscaping, and design issues are resolved to 2. the satisfaction of staff, that the General Manager, Planning and Development:
 - a) forward the proposed amendments to HRA By-law, 2000, No. 14203 to Council for consideration; and
 - b) direct staff to seek Council's approval to draft a Heritage Alteration Permit (HAP) for rebuilding the Daniel Johnson House, constructing an addition to the House, and constructing accessory buildings on the property in accordance with the plans attached as Appendix V (as amended) to this report.

Carried

M. Petrovic left the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

It was Moved by Commissioner Hart Seconded by Commissioner Farrand That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission recommends that the agenda be varied to include the following new items prior to review of the SHAC Task List on the April 18, 2012 agenda:

- (d). George Lawrence House (verbal update) - 18431 Fraser Highway.
- Seventh Day Adventist Church (verbal update) 16017 8 Avenue. (e). Carried

The agenda was varied

(d) George Lawrence House - 18431 Fraser Highway File: N/A – Verbal Update

- Staff reported that the applicant has submitted plans to the Building Division of the Planning and Development Department. Staff has requested some revisions to the plans; revisions have not yet been completed.
- Site servicing is currently underway; the House is required to be restored as part of Phase I of development.

The Commission requested that staff follow-up with the property owner to request the removal of the unsightly graffiti located on the side of the House.

(e) Seventh Day Adventist Church - 16017 8 Avenue File: N/A – Verbal Update

The owner of the Seventh Day Adventist Church has requested that the Commission provide comment on whether or not they would support an application for financial assistance for the relocation of the Church from one side of the property to the other.

Staff noted that there is provision within the Financial Assistance By-law that permits a property owner to apply for three years worth of financial assistance in the first year for the purpose of relocating a protected heritage building from one property to another. This provision would also apply to the relocation of a protected heritage building on its existing site.

The HRA for the Seventh Day Adventist Church has been reviewed and approved by the HAC but has not yet been forwarded to Council for consideration. The owner of the Church will not be able to apply for Financial Assistance until the HRA has been approved by Council.

The Commission indicated preliminary support of the Owner's future Financial Assistance Application for costs associated with the relocation of the building from one side of the property to the other.

(f) SHAC Task List

File: 0540-20V

The following comments were made:

• Fusion Festival - Staff has not received confirmation regarding Fusion Festival and will report to the Commission when there is information to share.

- **Park Renaming Request** The Commission asked if there was an update regarding the park-renaming request that came before the Commission on October 26, 2011. Staff noted the request was referred to the Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism Committee for consideration, once it has been evaluated the SHAC will be apprised of the outcome.
- **Proposed location of the storyboard on Old Yale Road East** Staff was asked to provide an update on the proposed location of the storyboard on Old Yale Road East.
- **Storyboard Redesign** Staff was asked to provide an update on the status of the storyboard redesign and installation of the test storyboard.

It was

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

Commission recommends that that the SHAC Task List dated April 2, 2012 be received as information.

<u>Carried</u>

2. PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURE

- (a) Memo re: Pilot Historical Re-Enactment Program and Introduction of Heritage Re-enactment Coordinator File: 6800-01
 - This item was deferred until the next meeting.

It was

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

Commission (SHAC) receive the memo regarding the Pilot Historical Re-enactment Program as information and look forward to a further update by Heritage Services staff at the next SHAC meeting. Carried

3. ENGINEERING

4. LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

E. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

F. CORRESPONDENCE

It was

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

Commission (SHAC) receives the correspondence of the April 18, 2012, SHAC meeting as information.

Carried

- 1. Council Resolutions re: Public Hearing, Monday, March 12, 2012 RES.R12-741-743
- 2. Email received from R. Goodacre re: HBC Strategic Plan 2012-2015 File: 0250-20

It was discussed that a letter of support for Heritage BC and the Heritage Legacy Fund would be prepared by staff and sent to Minister Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations under the Chair's signature. The Heritage Planner was asked to prepare a letter for the Chair's approval/signature.

It was

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

recommends that the Heritage Planner prepare a letter to be sent to Minister Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations under the Chair's signature indicating the Commission's support for Heritage BC and the Heritage Legacy Fund.

Carried

- 3. Letter received from Ocean Park Community Association re: requesting a plaque and permission to place heritage signs File: 6800-01
 - Staff noted that the current heritage plaque design was originally developed in 2008 for the Collishaw Farmhouse. It is made of a bronze composite material and costs approximately \$400; a solid bronze version of the plaque would be closer to \$1,600. Production would take approximately 4 6 weeks. The Ocean Park Community Association hopes to be able to unveil the plaque during Ocean Park Days on June 16, 2012.
 - Due to the tight timeframe, staff recommended that the Commission review and provide comments on the proposed plaque for Ocean Park Community Hall via email.
 - Staff informed the Commission that Marketing has advised that the coat of arms on the existing plaque should be changed to the "new" City Logo. The Commission reviewed logo options and selected the vertical logo as presented by staff.

- It was discussed that Commissioners should attend the Ocean Park Days event to officially make the presentation to the Ocean Park Community Association.
- The Commission discussed that it is more meaningful for the Commission to offer the plaques to heritage property owners instead of leaving it to the owners to request. The Commission asked staff to add heritage plaques to the SHAC task list for further discussion and to provide a report regarding which heritage buildings would warrant plaques in the future.

Staff indicated that they will provide a report with recommendations at a future meeting.

It was Moved by Commissioner Hol Seconded by Commissioner Farrand That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission (SHAC) recommends that the Ocean Park Community Association's request for heritage street signs be referred to the Engineering Department for a report back to the Commission.

Carried

It was

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

recommends that \$400 be allocated from the SHAC budget for costs associated with the production of a plaque for Ocean Park Community Hall.

Carried

G. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

H. **TASK/LIAISON GROUPS**

I. **FINANCIALS**

Financial Summary as at March 31, 2012 1. File: 0540-20V

It was

information.

Moved by Commissioner Hart Seconded by Commissioner Farrand That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission (SHAC) receive the Financial Summary of March 31, 2012 as

Carried

2. Heritage Conferences Cost Estimate File: 0520-20V

It was

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

Commission (SHAC) recommends that the Heritage Conferences Cost Estimate report be received as information.

Carried

J. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, May 30, 2012 in <u>Planning Meeting Room #1</u> at 5:00 p.m.

K. ADJOURNMENT

It was

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

Commission meeting do now adjourn.

Carried

The Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Chairperson, Councillor Steele