

Present:

Chair - Councillor Steele
W. Farrand
R. Hart
B. Hol
L. Tannen

Absent:

S. Thomas

Guests:

D. Johnson, Surrey Historical
Society

Staff Present:

D. Luymes, Planning & Development
E. Schultz, Planning & Development
J. O'Donnell, Parks, Recreation & Culture
M. Petrovic, Engineering
N. Aven, Urban Forestry, Parks
P. Bellefontaine, Engineering, Transportation
K. Tiede, Engineering, Transportation
H. Dmytriw, Legislative Services

Before the start of the meeting, the Chair requested that the agenda be varied.

It was

Moved by Commissioner Tannen
Seconded by Commissioner Farrand
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission

recommends that the agenda be varied as follows:

1. Item C.1 be discussed directly following Item D.1(a).

Carried

The Agenda was varied.

A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was

Moved by Commissioner Farrand
Seconded by Commissioner Hart
That the minutes of the Surrey Heritage

Advisory Commission meeting of April 24, 2013, be adopted.

Carried

B. DELEGATION REQUEST

1. Jane Hayes and Ed Fader, **Ocean Park Community Association** request to appear as a delegation to discuss the **heritage road markers for Ocean Park**.
File: 6800-01

It was

Moved by Commissioner Tannen
Seconded by Commissioner Farrand
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission

receive the Ocean Park Community Association as a delegation at a future meeting.

Carried

D. NEW BUSINESS**1. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT****(a) Meadow Ridge Farm (16390 – 64 Avenue)**

Proposed amendments to the Conservation Strategy for Meadow Ridge Farm
File: 6800-14

The following comments were made:

- The developer of the Meadow Ridge Farm property has applied for a new development permit and revised HRA to accommodate changes to the conservation strategy.
- The farmhouse is to be re-oriented towards 64 Avenue.
- The farmhouse, which was proposed to be used as two residential units, is now proposed to be used as two guest suites and additional amenity space.
- The farmhouse will no longer have a basement thus will require no new windows.
- The Dairy building will be changed slightly: the block wall foundation (that was likely a later addition) will be removed and the original larger loading dock will be reinstated.
- Changes to the site plan are minimal. The shape of the building at 64 Avenue will be changed from a U-shape to an L-shape.
- The internal road will be reworked.
- The underground parkade is going to be one level rather than two levels.
- The Heritage Forest has already been dedicated to the City.

It was

Moved by Commissioner Hart

Seconded by Commissioner Tannen

That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission:

1. receive this report as information;
2. recommend to the General Manager, Planning and Development that staff be directed to revise the Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) for Meadow Ridge Farm to reflect the revised Conservation Strategy; and
3. recommend to the General Manager, Planning and Development that the proposed revised HRA for Meadow Ridge Farm be forwarded to Council for consideration once outstanding items are resolved to staff's satisfaction.

Carried

C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**1. SHAC Task List**

File: 0540-20 V

Heritage Storyboard at the Sullivan Community Hall

File: 6800-01

The storyboard was completed, set into a concrete base and located farther from the road down on the hill, facing into the pedestrian pathway connecting the hall to the parking lot alongside the building. This creates a better siting for the storyboard and protects it from the road traffic.

Staff noted that although this was a lengthy process, valuable lessons were learned. Staff advised that in order to meet timelines for the three priority signs to be redesigned, the Commission members will be emailed the proofs of the redesigns, and will be requested to review and provide comments by email as soon as possible.

Loyal Orange Lodge – Public Input Session

DEFERRED to next meeting.

Heritage Plaque Program – Priority Heritage Properties

Staff advised that revised fonts for the plaques are currently being worked on by Marketing and will be resubmitted for the Commission's consideration.

Flavours of Surrey at Fusion Festival – July 20-21, 2013

Staff noted that the cost of the "bouncy balls" for the Fusion Festival is \$2 each with a minimum purchase of 500, with the entire budget allocation for Flavours of Surrey being \$500. This is to cover the cost of candy, the gift basket, and other supplies. In previous years, the "bouncy balls" were provided by Special Events.

20th Anniversary of the Incorporation of the City of Surrey

September 11, 2013 is Surrey's 20th Anniversary of incorporation as a City. Staff highlighted that work to commemorate this anniversary is in the planning stage.

Ocean Park Community Association Street Signage Request

The request for heritage street signage by the Ocean Park Community Association has been supported by the Commission. The Ocean Park Community Association previously requested heritage signs and the Commission approved signing two roads according to Heritage signing criteria. Then the Association was contacted and asked to provide streets to be signed but did not come back with the information. Ocean Park Community Association will be at the next meeting to present their proposal. The Commission requested engineering practice for installing new heritage signs.

Commissioner Hol joined the meeting at 5:30 pm.

Agenda order was resumed.

2. PARKS AND RECREATION**(a) Surrey Stories 2013 Spring Article**

Commissioner Hol wrote an article about Building Preservation Program for the Summer/Fall publication of the 2013 Surrey Stories newsletters.

3. ENGINEERING**(a) Semiahmoo Trail along Crescent Road Project**

Kristen Tiede, Project Engineer, Transportation, noted that a Public Open House was held May 23, 2013 to discuss the completion of the bike/pedestrian route on 144 Street from 32 Avenue to 34 Avenue, and on the east side of Semiahmoo Road. The pedestrian pathway is to connect to the existing sidewalk walking path fronting Nico Wynd, and to complete the walking loop and provide better connections to the bus stops on Crescent Road.

The Semiahmoo Trail completion is along the east side by the Elgin School house; the trail terminates at the curve in Crescent Road by the gas station. The path will continue on the south side of Crescent Road and Elgin Creek Bridge, crossing Crescent Road east of the gas station, where a crosswalk with flashing lights will be installed.

There was a high turnout of 120 people expressing strong support for the project. The feedback was received from 77 residents resulting in the following:

- 94% are in favour of the trail completion project as proposed. Those not supportive wanted to see other things such as stop signs, and trees cut to widen the trail.
- 91% are in favour of pedestrian/cycling improvements on either side of the project. The City is proposing to narrow the intersection as there are very few left-turning cars. Improvements to pedestrian and cyclists will outweigh car drivers' inconvenience to left turns. The benefit is a tightening up of the corners and traffic will be reduced, resulting in more safety.
- 5% were opposed.

Traffic safety concerns were raised by 3-4 individuals at the public open house. One of the common themes was the speed of traffic on 144 Street and Crescent Road.

Philip Bellefontaine, Transportation Planning Manager noted that a lot of careful thinking was done prior to taking this issue to an Open House as this is one of Surrey's premiere routes and requires an extra level of attention and quality. Staff undertook surveys during peak hours on April 30 and May 1, 2013, one hour each. In addition the time needed for left-turners waiting to go south was recorded. The most number of cars stuck behind those turning left was 5 cars at any one time. In that context and with a new Cycling and Walking Plan as a guide, staff were able to give priority to this route.

- It was Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Tannen
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission endorse the following heritage components of the project:
1. the completion of the Semiahmoo Trail along Crescent Road south side from the gas station to 144 Street, be 1 meter wide (in asphalt) with a split rail fence; and
 2. the completion of the east side and south side of Crescent Road, including modifications to Crescent Road by lifting pavement and moving it north 2 meters in order for pedestrians to see oncoming traffic in order to cross the road; and
 3. the installation of a queue of flashing lights at the crosswalk, on signs in advance of the crosswalk, and on the median at the east side.

Carried

Staff advised that the next steps will involve the development of a detailed design with the construction period anticipated in 2014.

Commissioners were thanked for attending the Public Open House.

4. **LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**

5. **CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE**

(a) **Surrey's Sustainability Dashboard**

The Commission noted that the Sustainability Dashboard is an important tool in the implementation of the Sustainability Charter.

www.Dashboard.surrey.ca

It was noted that a phenomenal amount of research and information has gone into this dashboard. This tool is user-friendly and very easy to look at for a quick view of where the City is going and its challenges. The Commission extended appreciation to the Sustainability staff team for their work on this project.

E. **ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**

F. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter dated May 8, 2013 from Surrey School District 36, regarding Anniedale Traditional School, Site #042, regarding the request for funds to mitigate the removal of asbestos containing materials from the building.

It was Moved by Commissioner Tannen
Seconded by Commissioner Farrand
That The Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission
receive the correspondence from the Surrey School District 36 regarding Anniedale Traditional School, Site #042, as information.
Carried

Staff will advise the Surrey School District 36 that there is funding available through the Building Preservation Program for Old Anniedale School for the removal of asbestos containing materials from the Anniedale school building.

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **Heritage BC Conference 2013 - "A New Beginning"**
Friday, October 18, and Saturday, October 19, 2013
Shadbolt Centre for the Arts, Burnaby
File: 0390-20
The cost should be approximately \$80 per person for both days.

2. **2013 Historic Re-enactment Program**
File: 6800-01

The *Re-Enactors* Program is an acting troupe that brings to life Surrey's true stories from 1872 to 1945. Thornley Creative Communications, communications specialists were hired to work on the rebranding of the program. By reworking the schedules and rotating the actors they have expanded the season. Each actor sings and plays an instrument. The scripts are 6-7 minutes in length and are aimed at engaging audience interaction and participation.

Staff advised that Season Two is ready to go, with a new character, Mr. Inuoye, being introduced. The Inuoye family is very excited and are offering heritage items for use. Two new shows are ready to open, one at Cloverdale Heritage Railway Station, and a few re-enactment shows going to the seniors during Seniors Week.

3. **Interurban Heritage Railway**
File: 0330-20

The invitation to the First Official Run ceremonies, at 12 noon on June 22, 2013, at the Replica Cloverdale Railway Station at 176A Street and Highway 10 was highlighted. This will be the first official run of BCRER Car 1225 to Sullivan Station and return back.

It was
receive the items G.1 to G.3, as information.

Moved by Commissioner Tannen
Seconded by Commissioner Hol
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission
Carried

H. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Street Markets

It was
invite the Manager of Marketing to the June 26, 2013 SHAC meeting to discuss possible marketing design changes related to street markets and associated concerns.

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

2. BC Historical Federation Annual Conference held May 9-11, 2013 in Kamloops File: 0330-20

Commissioner Hart provided a brief overview of the conference and its focus on 'grasslands'. Attendees rode on school busses to the grasslands. The guest speaker, was from the local aboriginal group and talked about the history of the area and how the people used to burn the grasslands to encourage the growth of berry producing plants.

It was noted that 130-140 people attended the conference with a number of the attendees having written books on history. The Lt. Governor was in attendance and gave out *The Lieutenant-Governor's Medal for Historical Writing* awards for the books for the Annual Historical Writing Competition to authors of British Columbia history.

The attendees visited the last residential school and met a man who was the manager and who spoke about his experiences attending the residential school.

Commissioner Hart stated that the conference was well done and the speakers were excellent.

As the next conference is to be in Cloverdale it was suggested was provided that a "Heritage farm community" could be a theme for the next conference given Cloverdale's rich heritage. The BC Historical Federation have the railway and truck barn but are missing the 'farm' component that could be filled in by Cloverdale. Staff advised they will raise the suggestion at a meeting with Barbara Heinrich, President of the Surrey Historical Society next week.

I. FINANCIALS

1. Financial Summary as at April 30, 2013

File: 0540-20V

It was

Moved by Commissioner Tannen
Seconded by Commissioner Hart
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission
receive the Financial Summary as at April 30, 2013, as information.
Carried

J. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Heritage Advisory Commission is scheduled for June 26, 2013 at 5:00 pm in the Planning & Development Boardroom 1.

K. ADJOURNMENT


It was

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

meeting do now adjourn.

Carried

The Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission adjourned at 6:30 pm.



Jane Sullivan, City Clerk



Chair, Councillor Steele
Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission