

Present:

Councillor Woods, Chair
D. Plug
P. Priddy
L. Tannen

Absent:

D. Evans
B. Hol

Staff Present:

R. Gallagher, Parks, Recreation & Culture
D. Luymes, Planning & Development
N. Aven, Parks, Recreation & Culture
T. Mueller, Legislative Services

The Chair announced there was no quorum and requested staff to commence with the delegation presentation and noted that regular Commission business would proceed once quorum could be established.

The Agenda was varied.

B. DELEGATIONS**1. Matt Osler, Senior Project Engineer with Carrie Baron, Manager, Drainage Section**

File: N/A - Verbal Update

In attendance as a delegation before the Commission to provide an overview of the Surrey Coastal Flood Adaptation Strategy.

A PowerPoint presentation was given and comments were as follows:

- The Coastal Flood Adaptation Strategy (CFAS) is a 3-year project led by a consultant team to help prepare Surrey for impending climate change and to improve the resilience of coastal communities.
- CFAS encompasses a large study area with approximately 20% of Surrey's land which affects 1,500 residents, destination regional and City parks, beaches and recreation areas, and critical foreshore as well as coastal and riparian areas. In addition, there are many communities, stakeholders and partners involved in consultation given the tremendous amount of goods and freight movement in the region.
- The 5-phase project focuses on building awareness and education in the community, exploring adaptation options and developing strategies. The largest and longest phase is Phase 1 which is 50% complete.
- Coastal cities such as Surrey are facing challenges as a result of climate change and sea rise level. Surrey has a long history of coastal flooding. Examples of past flooding events were provided in the presentation and it was noted that even without major waves, the water can rise very high to the top of the dyke.

- The Province of British Columbia advised municipalities to plan for 1 m of sea level rise by year 2100. Challenges for coastal communities include higher sea levels, increased frequency and intensity of storms, storm surges, erosion of coastlines, impacts to infrastructure and ecosystem, changes to beaches ecosystems, higher groundwater levels and potential salinization.
- The Nicomekl and Serpentine Lowlands remain an active floodplain. Existing dykes were upgraded and new dykes were established upstream of the sea dams to control flooding.
- Of particular interest to the Commission, the entire Crescent Beach community lies within the area affected by sea level rise, with a number of heritage properties at risk. Staff and consultants have been working closely with residents of Crescent Beach to develop strategies to deal with these risks.
- Combinations of different environmental factors result in different areas of Surrey being impacted during a storm. During severe events, spillways control the overtopping of dykes upstream of the sea. During high tide with the combination of wind storms, waves can overtop dykes along the coastline.
- The park network, including 20 km of shoreline trails and the environmental habitat along the coast-line will also see impacts from sea rise levels. Surrey's flood plain before settlement (early 1900's) consisted of a large intertidal zone which occurred between the low and high tide. Flood control structures were created to make it more viable for agriculture and other uses.
- CFAS engagement will consist of three primary avenues for participation of the general public and stakeholders:
 1. Project Committees and Working Groups, to include an Advisory Group to be formed of 20 to 30 people that will provide project input and participate in decision-making; and an internal steering committee formed across the different City departments;
 2. Existing City Committees and Stakeholder Groups; and
 3. General Engagement and Outreach, to include open houses and focus groups.
- In terms of historical information, staff noted that the Surrey Archives and the web has a rich collection of aerial photos and historical documents chronicling different floods that have occurred in the area since early settlement; and that at one time, flood waters reached up to the Langley boarder.

The Commission made the following comments:

- The Chair inquired about City of White Rock participation in the study; in response, staff noted that they are being involved in the process and that there is also representation from Langley and Delta.

Commissioner Plug arrived at 5:20 p.m.

- The Commission noted that the Community Information Workshop held in Crescent Beach was informative and that currently there are 100 properties on the registry can be found within the study area, specifically there are 19 with heritage HRA's in Crescent Beach which is concerning.

The delegation requested that a member of Commission join the Advisory Group; Commissioner Tannen volunteered to be the SHAC representative.

The Chair advised that quorum was established and requested that the agenda resume as amended.

A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Commission is requested to pass a motion adopting the minutes as circulated.

1. Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission Minutes - February 22, 2017

It was
 Moved by Commissioner Priddy
 Seconded by Commissioner Tannen
 That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
 Commission (SHAC) recommends that the February 22, 2017 minutes be adopted.
Carried

C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

- (a) **Hillside Farm - Large Gambrel Barn, 6845 176 Street – Demolition Permit Application**
 File: 6800-10

The following comments were made:

- The Commission noted that the building is in derelict condition; therefore; Option 4 of the staff report is the only realistic choice as the building has not been maintained and the roof is in a state of collapse.

Staff noted that they will attend the site, take photographs and report back to the Commission.

RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved by Commissioner Priddy
 Seconded by Commissioner Plug
 That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
 Commission (SHAC) recommends that Council:

1. Receive the "**Hillside Farm - Large Gambrel Barn, 6845 176 Street - Demolition Permit Application**" report as information;
2. Endorse: "**Option 4 - Document and Demolish** the Large Gambrel Barn (with photographs, surveys, aerial photographs, Statement of Significance, etc.) and then issue the demolition permit. The "as found" report and other documentation would be forwarded to the City of Surrey Archives.; and
3. Remove the "**Hillside Farm - Large Gambrel Barn, 6845 176 Street**" from the Heritage Register.

Carried

(b) SHAC Task List

File: 0540 - 20V

The following comments were made:

- **Historic Context Statement and Thematic Framework** - are going to Council for adoption on Monday, April 3, 2017.

It was Moved by Commissioner Tannen
 Seconded by Commissioner Priddy
 That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
 Commission (SHAC) receive the "SHAC Task List" as information.

Carried

2. PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE

(a) Conservation work - Surrey Columbian Centennial Totem Pole

File: 6800-01

The following comments were made:

- Staff noted that in 2016, there was a report to the SHAC regarding the assessment done regarding the Centennial Totem Pole to prolong its life into the next few decades.
- The funding in support of conservation work has been received and the memo of March 22nd outlines specific works that will be undertaken.

- The grounds surrounding the Totem Pole were densely forested; this work will be addressed by Urban Forestry. There is a dead tree that will be removed and some of the trees will be pruned to create more air flow and light.
- The aim of the pruning work conducted is to achieve better view corridors from the highway and to provide more air flow allowing the grounds and pole top dry more quickly.
- The Commission asked if the totem pole will be painted or left to naturally deteriorate. Staff noted that in this case, the recommendation of the well-known conservator is to repaint the totem pole.

The Chair noted that this is the appropriate year to do it, and it should be added to the list of the SHAC projects in support of Canada 150.

It was Moved by Commissioner Tannen
Seconded by Commissioner Priddy
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
Commission (SHAC) receive the "**Conservation work - Surrey
Columbian Centennial Totem Pole**" as information.
Carried

(b) **Peace Arch Storyboard**

File: 6800-01

The following comments were made:

- The Commission thanked staff for getting on this initiative immediately.
- Staff have discussed the proposal with Provincial Park Representatives and noted that they were generally supportive and that more conversations will occur in the near future.

Staff noted that they will coordinate with the Provincial Government regarding the precise wording and that the goal is to have the Peace Arch Storyboard in place by September 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved by Commissioner Tannen
Seconded by Commissioner Priddy
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
Commission (SHAC) recommends that Council:

1. Receive the "**Peace Arch Storyboard**" report as information;

2. Approve up to \$6,800 (including GST), from the Unrestricted Reserve, for research, design, production and installation of a storyboard related to the Peace Arch; and
3. Endorse an unveiling ceremony to be held in September 2017, which would mark the 96th Anniversary of the dedication of the Peace Arch.

Carried

3. **ENGINEERING**

4. **LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**

(a) **SHAC Grants & Scholarships Budget Inquiry**

File: 1850-20 (Verbal Update)

Note: At the SHAC meeting on February 22, 2017, the Commission requested an update regarding the origin of the budget line item pertaining to Grants & Scholarships.

The following comments were made:

- According to records in 2006, in support of "Heritage Week", \$4,000 was allocated to Heritage Awards. While these funds were not utilized by the Commission in 2006, they have been utilized as follows:
 - 2007 - \$2,000 grant was awarded to Sullivan School (R07-356); and
 - 2008 - \$4,000 in grants were awarded to Iqra Islamic Elementary School and the Sullivan Heights Secondary School \$2,000 each (R08-1334).

In 2010 various awards were made on behalf of the Commission in support of the following initiatives:

- \$1,500.00 - R10-340 - "Build Surrey 1890's - Present";
- \$10,000.00 - R10-871 - Fraser Valley Heritage Railway Society; and
- \$500.00 - Flavours of Surrey Donation.
- Over time, with new members joining the Commission, the purpose of the \$4,000 line item for Grants and Sponsorships has been forgotten.
- Legislative Services staff followed up with the Acting General Manager of Finance who confirmed that if the Commission wishes, the funds, by way of recommendation to Council, can be allocated to another purpose.

The Commission made the following comments:

- It would be prudent to allocate the \$4,000 from this year's budget toward the purchase 160 legacy books for distribution.
- SHAC noted that as part of a publicity campaign for the Legacy Book Project, getting copies widely distributed to members of Council, MLA's and to local schools would only help to build on the momentum.

The Commission noted that in 2018 the scholarship should be revisited and requested that staff add the \$4,000 **Grants & Scholarships** line item added to the SHAC Task List.

RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved by Commissioner Priddy
 Seconded by Commissioner Plug
 That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
 Commission (SHAC) recommends that Council endorse allocating \$4,000 from SHAC Grants & Scholarships account to facilitate the purchase of Legacy books for distribution to members of Council, SHAC, local schools, libraries and other government agencies at the discretion of the Commission.

Carried

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **Corporate Report R058 - Proposed Heritage Property Standards of Maintenance Bylaw No. 18931, 2017**
 File: 6800-01

Note: Corporate Report R058 was approved by Council at the Regular Council Public Hearing (RCPH) on March 6, 2017; at that time, Bylaw No. 18931 received three readings and will go for final adoption at the RCPH on Monday, April 3, 2017.

- Staff noted that Bylaw No. 18931 applies to properties that are protected but for which there is no approved conservation plan; and that the bylaw will assist to ensure heritage protection and appropriate maintenance.

- In terms of monitoring and ensuring compliance, staff noted that every year owners of Heritage Properties apply for permissive tax exemptions and that annual site visits will be conducted by Planning Staff to ensure heritage property owners are adhering to the provisions outlined within Bylaw No. 18931, and that the results of these inspections may factor into recommendations regarding the granting of annual permissive tax exemptions.

It was Moved by Commissioner Tannen
 Seconded by Commissioner Plug
 That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
 Commission (SHAC) receive "**Corporate Report R058 - Proposed
 Heritage Property Standards of Maintenance Bylaw No. 18931, 2017**" as
 information.

Carried

G. OTHER BUSINESS

H. FINANCIALS

1. Financial Summary as at February 28, 2017
 File: 0540-20V

It was Moved by Commissioner Tannen
 Seconded by Commissioner Priddy
 That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
 Commission (SHAC) receive Financial Summary as at February 28, 2017 as
 information.

Carried

I. NEXT MEETING

Note: Prior to adjournment, the Chair announced that there will be no SHAC meeting held during the month of April.

The next meeting of the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission (SHAC) is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 24 and will be held at the City Centre Library - Room 405 (10350 University Drive).

J. ADJOURNMENT

It was Moved by Commissioner Plug
 Seconded by Commissioner Priddy
 That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
 Commission meeting do now adjourn.

Carried

The Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission adjourned at 6:20 pm.



 Jane Sullivan, City Clerk



 Councillor Woods, Chairperson