

Present:

Councillor Annis, Chair
B. Hol
F. Lou
P. Priddy
T. Sandher

Absent:

M. Gibbs

Guest:

B. Burnside, Downtown
Surrey BIA
V. Teo, Downtown Surrey BIA

Staff Present:

R. Gallagher, Heritage Facilities and
Administration Manager
K. Baglo, Heritage Planner
L. Blake, Administrative Assistant

Prior to the start of the meeting, the Chair announced that a former Heritage Advisory Commission member, Mr. Terry Lidster passed away recently. A note of condolences on behalf of the Commission will be sent to his family.

A. ADOPTIONS**1. Adoption of the Agenda**

It was

Moved by Commissioner Hol
Seconded by Commissioner Sandher
That:

1. The agenda of the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission meeting held on June 9, 2021 be amended by adding items:

- B.1: Bonnie Burnside, Downtown Surrey Business Improvement Association;
- G.1: Women's History Month; and

2. The agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried

2. Adoption of May 12, 2021 Minutes

It was

Moved by Commissioner Hol
Seconded by Commissioner Lou
That the minutes of the Surrey Heritage

Advisory Commission meeting held on May 12, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

The agenda was varied to address Item B.1 first on the agenda.

**1. Bonnie Burnside and Victoria Teo
Downtown Surrey Business Improvement Association**

Bonnie Burnside and Victoria Teo, Downtown Surrey Business Improvement Association (BIA), provided a presentation regarding the History Footsteps project. The project will include footsteps painted on the sidewalk that will lead to a post with a short description of the site and a QR code that will provide more information, including pictures, stories and, depending on the site, what could be there in the future to memorialize the rich history of downtown Surrey. The following information was highlighted:

- The project will include 6 - 8 sites of historical significance, including the positive and negative history of Surrey to promote awareness, strengthen cultural bonds and remind residents of the historical record.
- The project will represent the diverse history of the area and the interactive format will help ensure that the project is representative. There will be a number of partners involved in the development of the project, including community members and Indigenous, South Asian and other key cultural groups.
- The 2020 Our Surrey Vision report, conducted by the Surrey BIA, residents expressed an interest in a connection to the area. The project will help activate different areas in Surrey and encourage residents to walk around downtown while adding vitality, vibrancy and education to the area.

In response to questions from the Commission, Ms. Teo provided the following information:

- The project will start by identifying four sites, followed by a review of the quality of the information gathered for those sites. It is anticipated that the locations will be selected by early August 2021. Proposed sites include Central City Mall, the Flamingo, the former Bank of Montreal, the Dell shopping centre and the downtown RCMP Office. The sites will be selected with consultation from various groups in the city to ensure the sites can represent multiple individuals.

The Commission suggested that the project could incorporate Indigenous history, noting the Indigenous history that took place on the site and visualize what that may have looked like.

Commissioner Priddy joined the meeting at 4:53 p.m.

C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

This section had no items.

D. NEW BUSINESS**1. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT****(a) House and Cottage at 17707 & 17719 56A Avenue
Proposed Rezoning and Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA)
Addition to the Heritage Register**

File: 7920-0223-00

Kelsey Baglo, Heritage Planner, summarized the report dated May 28, 2021 regarding an application for a rezoning and Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) that has been received for the house and cottage located at 17707 and 17719 56A Avenue. The following information was highlighted:

- The properties are valued for their contribution to the endurance of Cloverdale's development, their association with the Mooring family and architectural style.
- The house located at 17725 56A Avenue is on the Heritage Inventory but not proposed to be included as part of the development. The house has been assessed and deemed beyond repair, as it was built with no foundation.
- The proposal includes a rezoning, subdivision from five lots into one and a Development Permit for Form and Character to allow the development of a five-storey apartment building with one level of underground parking. The proposal also includes an HRA for the protection, relocation and restoration of the Mooring House and Cottage, which will be utilized as an amenity space for the development. The protection of the heritage structures through the HRA will allow for one additional storey and 0.5 FAR.
- The applicant's heritage consultant prepared a Statement of Significance (SOS) for both the Mooring House and Cottage. Staff agreed with most of the SOS, but expressed that it did not fully capture the heritage significance, as part of the heritage value is the modest nature of the structures. It is important to retain both rich and modest architectural styles so the history of the city is not skewed one way or the other, as well as to diversify the City's heritage portfolio.
- The property could be added to the Thematic Framework under a new "Pioneer" or "Settler" or similar term subcategory. A similar example would be the Anderson Cabin.
- The *Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada* recommends that additions to heritage structures should be compatible yet subordinate and distinguishable. The applicant

is proposing an atrium to connect the two heritage buildings but further design development work is required.

The Commission expressed support for the way the heritage buildings have been incorporated into the project, noting that there are not many examples of this type of architecture in the City's portfolio. The following additional comments were provided:

- Having the heritage buildings apart from the apartment building helps emphasize their heritage value and the atrium provides a good visual connection between the two heritage buildings.
- The main frontage and side lane provide double exposure to the property. It was suggested a public heritage plaza could be incorporated at the corner of the site instead of the additional planting to celebrate and provide additional access to the heritage buildings.
- The building finishes should maintain and enhance the buildings' heritage. It was suggested that heritage finishes be utilized instead of hardi-board.
- It was suggested that the third and fourth floors on the east side of the building be stepped back to provide more air and space between the apartment building and heritage buildings.

It was Moved by Commissioner Sandher
Seconded by Commissioner Penny
That the Heritage Advisory Commission (HAC):

1. Receive the report dated May 28, 2021 regarding an application for a rezoning and Heritage Revitalization Agree (HRA) for the house and cottage located at 17707 and 17719 56A Avenue as information; and
2. Recommend to Council that the house and cottage at 17707 and 17719 56A Avenue be added to the Surrey Heritage Register; and
3. Recommend to the General Manager, Planning and Development, that staff be directed to proceed with the preparation of a Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) for the house and cottage at 17707 & 17719 56A Avenue.

Carried

(b) Assigning Heritage Inventory Sites to Thematic Framework Themes

File: 6800-01

Kelsey Baglo, Heritage Planner, summarized the report dated May 28, 2021 regarding a request to provide feedback with respect to which Thematic Framework theme(s) best align with the house at 2574 O'Hara Lane. Ms. Baglo advised that further research resulted in a newspaper article written by Bill Hastings that indicated that Roman Catholic Archbishop of Vancouver William Mark Duke constructed a small chapel at his O'Hara Lane cottage, but was intending it for his own private use.

In response to questions from the Commission, Ryan Gallagher, Heritage Facilities and Administration Manager, provided the following information:

- There was a house in Clayton that was discovered to have had connections to a local church, but this discovery was made after the house had been demolished. Staff are not currently aware of other heritage homes that have a similar spiritual or religious connection.
- Bill Hastings, the author of the article regarding services being held at 2574 O'Hara Lane, was a long time Crescent Beach resident and should be considered a good, strong source of information.

The Commission noted that while two sources would be ideal, the newspaper article provides enough evidence that the house was publicly available as a place of worship. It was also noted that there is evidence that the house was occupied by the Sisters of the Good Shepherd.

It was Moved by Commissioner Sandher
 Seconded by Commissioner Lou
 That the Heritage Advisory Commission (HAC)
 receive the report dated May 28, 2021 regarding assigning Heritage Inventory Sites to the Thematic Framework Themes as information.
Carried

2. PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE**(a) Cloverdale Storyboard Update**

File: N/A (Verbal Update)

Ryan Gallagher, Manager, Heritage Facilities and Administration, advised that the community panel that was created to help guide the development of the Cloverdale Storyboards met on June 8, 2021 and the meeting provided valuable insight. It was suggested that this type of community knowledge continue to be leveraged in future projects.

Commissioner Lou advised that she represented the Commission on the community panel and also recommended that this process be implemented in future projects.

- (b) **Strawberry Hill Hall Update**
File: N/A (Verbal Update)

Ryan Gallagher, Manager, Heritage Facilities and Administration, advised that the City will move forward with a replica structure of Strawberry Hill Hall that will look similar from the exterior, with some modern improvements on the interior.

3. **ENGINEERING**

This section had no items.

4. **LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**

This section had no items.

5. **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT and PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE**

- (a) **HAC Task List**
File: 6800-01

Kelsey Baglo, Heritage Planner, and Ryan Gallagher, Heritage Administration and Facilities Manager, provided the following updates for the Task List:

Brooksdale Estate

The chimney repair work for the Brooksdale Coach House has been completed and this item can be removed from the Task List.

Cecil Heppell House

The exterior painting for the Cecil Heppell House has been completed and this item can be removed from the Task List.

Scholarships and Grants Program

In response to a question from the Commission, Mr. Gallagher advised that 10 of the 50 available virtual field trip packages were delivered to local schools. The feedback received from the schools indicated that there is digital fatigue in the classroom. While a few more schools may sign up for the program prior to the end of the year, it is expected that there will be leftover funding. It was noted that in-person field trips could potentially be permitted in the nearby future, so the funding could be utilized for transportation, as was the original intention of the project.

James Creighton House

In response to a question from the Commission, Ms. Baglo advised that none of the required work to bring the house into compliance with the Heritage Standards and Maintenance Bylaw; however, an application for a Heritage Alteration Permit (HAP) has been received from the property owners' agent that would allow the required work to commence. The application requires further detailed information before it can be brought forward to the Commission for comment.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

This section had no items.

F. INFORMATION ITEMS

This section had no items.

G. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Women in History

File: N/A (Verbal Report)

Commissioner Priddy advised that she wrote the article "Whispers of History" for the Former MLAs of BC newsletter and noted that it is important to look for ways to acknowledge and affirm women's roles in history.

The Commission noted that there is an interest in archives to redefine records to address records of trauma and racist language. As many historical records currently refer to woman as the wife of an individual, archivists and historians are now tracking down the names of these women to properly identify them.

H. FINANCIALS

1. Financial Summary as at May 31, 2021

File: 0540-20V

It was

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

Commission receive the Financial Summary as of May 31, 2021 for information.

Carried

I. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on July 14, 2021.

J. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Commissioner Sandher
Seconded by Commissioner Lou
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission meeting do now adjourn.

Carried

The Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Jennifer Ficocelli, City Clerk

Councillor Annis, Chairperson

**SURREY HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMISSION
RECOMMENDATION INDEX
Wednesday, June 9, 2021**

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2. Add the house and cottage at 17707 and 17719 56A Avenue to the Surrey Heritage Register.