
Present:

Councillor Annis, Chair
F. Lou
T. Sandher
S. Sharma
B. Turna

Absent:

P. Priddy

Staff Present:

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

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

It was Moved by Commissioner Lou
Seconded by Commissioner Sandher
That the agenda of the Surrey Heritage
Advisory Commission meeting held on June 8, 2022, be adopted.
Carried

2. Adoption of May 11, 2022 Minutes

It was Moved by Commissioner Lou
Seconded by Commissioner Sharma
That the minutes of the Surrey Heritage
Advisory Commission meeting held on May 11, 2022, be adopted.
Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

This section had no items to consider.

C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

This section had no items to consider.

D. NEW BUSINESS**1. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT****(a) Development Variance Permit Adjacent to the Semiahmoo Trail
(2265 – 152 Street)**

File: 7922-0100-00

Kelsey Baglo, Heritage Planner, summarized the report dated June 1, 2022, regarding proposed Development Variance Permit (DVP) application (7922-0010-00) for the property located at 2265 152 Street, which is adjacent to the Semiahmoo Trail and does not fully comply with the Semiahmoo Trail Design Guidelines. The following information was highlighted:

- The development is adjacent to the Semiahmoo Trail, a protected heritage route. In 2004, Design Guidelines were created to ensure cohesive development adjacent to the trail. Applications that comply with the Design Guidelines are forwarded to the Commission for information, while applications that do not comply are forwarded for comments.
- The proposed DVP is to permit a field and court play surface for the White Rock Christian Academy that would extend into the Semiahmoo Trail buffer area and retain an existing chain link fence. The Design Guidelines call for a heritage character switchback fence; however, the Applicant is proposing to retain the chain link fence for security purposes. The Applicant is also applying for a height variance that is not heritage related.

The Chair recognized David Houston and Nathan Kennedy, Applicants, who provided the following information:

- White Rock Christian Academy has been operating in this location since 1981 and has over 650 students. It is the only school adjacent to the Semiahmoo Trail and has specific security requirements to consider compared to other properties along the Trail.
- A Development Permit is needed as previously installed portables changed the use of the outdoor field. In addition, the buffer zone takes over a large portion of the usable outdoor space. The school often uses the Trail for field trips and walks, so the school has a vested interest in maintaining it. The proposed turf field would provide better water management than the existing field.

In response to questions from the Commission, the Applicants provided the following information:

- The existing fence is 8 feet high and would remain within the field. The Applicants are also proposing 20-foot high netting to keep sports equipment out of the Trail area.
- The Trail buffer area would be fully landscaped in accordance with the Planning department requirements.

The Commission noted the school's need for outdoor play space and its security requirements. However, it was also noted that is disappointing that existing heritage features can not always be enhanced when sites redevelop.

It was Moved by Commissioner Sandher
 Seconded by Commissioner Turna
 That the Heritage Advisory Commission
 receive the report dated June 1, 2022, regarding the proposed Development
 Variance Permit application (7922-0010-00) for the property located at
 2265 152 Street as information.

Carried

It was Moved by Commissioner Satish
 Seconded by Commissioner Sandher
 That the Heritage Advisory Commission
 support proposed Development Variance Permit application (7922-0010-00)
 as it relates to the Semiahmoo Heritage Trail for the property located at
 2265 152 Street.

Carried

**(b) Update to Surrey's Demolition Permit Application Referral Process
 for Heritage Buildings**

File: N/A (Verbal Report)

Kelsey Baglo, Heritage Planner, advised that all heritage sites have been cross checked to ensure they are flagged within the appropriate software. All flagged properties will require approval by the Heritage Planner in order to proceed. The project is now completed.

In response to a question from the Commission, Ms. Baglo noted that only specific positions in the City will be able to provide approval for heritage properties to proceed in the demolition permit application process.

(c) **Identification of Potential Heritage Sites Project and Campaign**

File: N/A (Verbal Report)

Kelsey Baglo, Heritage Planner, provided the following update regarding the identification of potential heritage sites project and campaign:

- A new land use plan for Clayton Heights, along the proposed SkyTrain line extension, is being initiated to guide growth in the area over the next 30 years.
- During the planning process, staff have implemented a survey asking residents what they love about the area, what they wish was there and if there are unique heritage features. Residents can identify potential heritage sites on a map or submit photos. It is anticipated that this process will be a standing component of land use planning projects moving forward

2. **PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE**

(a) **Storyboard Program Update**

File: N/A (Verbal Report)

Ryan Gallagher, Manager, Heritage Facilities and Administration, and Kristin Hardie, Curator of Collections, provided the following updates regarding the storyboard program:

Newton Library Storyboard

- Staff are moving forward with the revitalization of the Newton Library Storyboard and have connected with Newton Library staff. An information booth was set-up at the Library to connect with community members and a Community Advisory Committee will be established for the project.

Commissioner Sharma volunteered to serve on the Community Advisory Committee.

Cloverdale BIA Storyboards

- The Cloverdale Business Improvement Association (BIA) has expressed an interest in implementing additional storyboards in two locations at the Brickyard Station complex in downtown Cloverdale. The site is private property, which presents certain challenges.

In response to questions from the Commission, Mr. Gallagher provided the following information:

- Staff have not sought a legal opinion regarding locating a storyboard on private property.

- Engineering staff have provided advice regarding the proposed site's property lines, as they are close to Highway 15.
- The Cloverdale BIA would provide partial funding for the project. Staff can report back at a future meeting with further details regarding the cost of the proposal.

Staff requested feedback regarding implementing guidelines for implementing storyboards on private property. In response, the Commission provided the following information:

- Heritage should be located where people are, in high-traffic locations.
- It would be beneficial to have guidelines in place as there are developers who have expressed an interest in implementing storyboards as part of their projects.
- There should be aesthetic standards and content guide to ensure all storyboards in the city have a cohesive look.
- The public would be unaware whether a storyboard is on public or private property.
- There should be an incentive for developers to implement storyboards as part of their projects, as there usually is no additional value for the developer.
- If the Cloverdale BIA has a positive experience with this project, it might encourage other BIAs to do something similar. The Downtown BIA frequently discusses maintaining heritage features in the downtown area and street-level activation.

Mr. Gallagher advised that he will be speaking to the Downtown BIA regarding the Cloverdale BIA storyboard project, as they have expressed an interest in collaborating on more projects downtown.

(b) Indigenous Peoples Day
File: 7800-01

Kristin Hardie, Curator of Collections, summarized the report dated June 1, 2022, regarding Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21, 2022. The City, in partnership with the Semiahmoo, Kwantlen and Katzie First Nations, will host National Indigenous Peoples Day Celebration and Wellness Event at Holland Park.

(c) **Pride Month**

File: 7800-01

Kristin Hardie, Curator of Collections, summarized the report dated June 1, 2022, regarding Pride Month. It was noted that Pride Month was proclaimed at the May 30, 2022, Regular Council – Public Hearing meeting (reconvened June 1, 2022) and a number of initiatives and events are scheduled throughout the city.

3. **ENGINEERING**

This section had no items to consider.

4. **LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**

This section had no items to consider.

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

(a) **HAC Task List**

File: 6800-01

Kelsey Baglo, Heritage Planner, and Kristin Hardie, Curator of Collections, advised that there were no updates to the Task List.

In response to a question from the Commission, Ms. Baglo advised that development applications listed as active are applications that have outstanding conditions and have not received final adoption from Council. Grant applications are listed as active until the work is completed, a site visit is conducted, and the cheque is issued.

The Commission requested that an update regarding the timeline for the Punjabi-language street sign proposal.

Councillor Annis left the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and Commissioner Lou assumed the role of the Chair.

E. **CORRESPONDENCE**

This section had no items to consider.

F. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

This section had no items to consider.

G. OTHER BUSINESS**1. Heritage BC and BC Museum Association Conference Report**

File: N/A (Verbal Report)

Commissioner Lou provided the following report regarding the 2022 Heritage BC and BC Museum Association Conference:

- The conference was held virtually and the main themes were collaboration, leadership and redress, with panel discussions on different topics such as emergency response and government partnerships.
- The emergency response panel was timely due to recent extreme weather events such as the heat dome and atmospheric rain and their impacts on heritage features.
- The government partnerships panel was interesting to hear the challenges external partners can have when working with local government, as well the challenges of working around election cycles. The importance of building trust and working with First Nations was highlighted, specifically the importance of being a “good neighbour” to First Nations and listening to their needs and the narratives they would like to explore.
- There was a panel discussion regarding place names with the Geographical Names Office, who indicated that they were working on a policy review. In addition, the importance of multiple official names due to overlapping Indigenous groups in areas. The need to address derogatory or offensive names and place names related to colonization was also discussed. Place names should reflect community values and its history so care should be taken when considering the stories that are being told. There is also importance in learning to pronounce non-English place names correctly. The terminology with respect to place names is important. An example of Haida Gwaii was provided, noting that its previous name of the Queen Charlotte Islands was “given back” to the Crown and records should indicate that it was “briefly” referred to as the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Kelsey Baglo, Heritage Planner, advised that the conference was recorded and those recordings are available.

H. FINANCIALS**1. Financial Summary as at April 30, 2022**

File: 0540-20V

Ryan Gallagher, Manager, Heritage Facilities and Administration, advised that an update regarding unallocated storyboard funding will be provided at a future meeting.

In response to questions from the Commission, Kelsey Baglo, Heritage Planner, provided the following information:

- The Heritage Site Improvement funds provide \$5000 per year, to a maximum of \$15,000 for heritage protected properties. Information regarding the Heritage Site Improvement funds are provided to protected heritage property owners annually along with the Permissive Property Tax Exemptions.
- Properties that applied for Heritage Permissive Property Tax exemptions are inspected annually by staff and must comply with the Heritage Standards and Maintenance Bylaw.
- Property owner consent is needed to implement heritage plaques on private properties.

The Commission noted that heritage institutional buildings have more traffic and public interactions and should be encouraged to apply for heritage plaques.

I. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission (SHAC) is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. on **July 13, 2022** in **2E Committee Room B**.

J. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Commissioner Sharma
Seconded by Commissioner Turna
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission meeting do now adjourn.

Carried

The Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Jennifer Ficocelli, City Clerk

Councillor Annis, Chairperson