



TOWN OF AURORA HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Monday, June 13, 2016

Time and Location: 7 p.m., Holland Room, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: Councillor Jeff Thom (Chair), Councillor Wendy Gaertner (Vice Chair), Barry Bridgeford, James Hoyes, John Kazilis, Bob McRoberts (Honorary Member), and Martin Paivio

Member(s) Absent: Carol Gravelle

Other Attendees: Councillor Tom Mrakas, Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Development Services, Jeff Healey, Planner, and Samantha Kong, Council/Committee Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Bob McRoberts
Seconded by James Hoyes

THAT the agenda as circulated by Legal and Legislative Services be approved with the following additions:

- Delegation (a) Mark Hall and Ray Kurkjian, Representing the Applicant
Re: Allen Brown Heritage Home

- Delegation (b) Nick Racanelli and Frank Abbaglivio, Applicants
Re: Item 1 – HAC16-004 – Heritage Permit Application
24 Catherine Avenue, File: NE-HCD-HPA-16-03

CARRIED

3. RECEIPT OF THE MINUTES

Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2016

**Moved by John Kazilis
Seconded by Barry Bridgeford**

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of April 11, 2016, be received for information.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

- (a) Mark Hall and Ray Kurkjian, Representing the Applicant**
Re: Allen Brown Heritage Home
(Added Item)

Mr. Hall and Mr. Kurkjian presented an overview of the Allen Brown Heritage Home, which was relocated in 2012 next to David English Park where it was placed on a new foundation. They expressed concerns regarding the structural integrity of the dwelling and evidence of primarily asbestos, and mold. Mr. Hall and Mr. Kurkjian requested that the existing dwelling be demolished and replicated in the reconstruction.

**Moved by Martin Paivio
Seconded by Barry Bridgeford**

THAT the comments of the delegation be received and referred to New Business.

CARRIED

(b) Nick Racanelli and Frank Abbagnivio, Applicants
Re: Item 1 – HAC16-004 – Heritage Permit Application,
24 Catherine Avenue, File: NE-HCD-HPA-16-03

(Added Item)

Mr. Racanelli and Mr. Abbagnivio provided an overview of the proposed construction of a new accessory structure in the form of a three-bay garage at the rear of the property, and noted that no trees would be affected.

Moved by John Kazilis
Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

THAT the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Item 1.

CARRIED

5. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. HAC16-004 – Heritage Permit Application, 24 Catherine Avenue,
File: NE-HCD-HPA-16-03

Staff provided a brief history of the property and confirmed that the accessory structure would serve as a garage. Staff noted that the proposed materials are consistent with the surrounding neighbourhood.

The Committee made various inquiries and staff advised that both properties on either side of 24 Catherine Avenue currently each possess a detached garage.

Moved by Councillor Gaertner
Seconded by Martin Paivio

THAT Report No. HAC16-004 be received; and

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:

THAT Heritage Permit Application NE-HCD-HPA-15-03 be approved to permit the construction of a 117m² accessory structure; and

THAT the Owner clarify materials of the proposed accessory structure as indicated in the staff report; and

THAT the Owner incorporate a rear yard amenity area or soft landscaping if possible.

CARRIED

2. HAC16-005 – Request to Remove a Property from the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest, 20 Ransom Street

Staff provided a brief history of the property and indicated that the original dwelling has incurred significant modifications to the main structure and façade.

The Committee made various inquiries and staff advised that the owners had indicated that all trees on the property would be maintained.

Moved by Bob McRoberts
Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

THAT Report No. HAC16-005 be received; and

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:

THAT the property located at 20 Ransom Street be removed from the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest; and

THAT the proposed elevations are subject to approval of Planning Staff to ensure the proposed new dwelling will maintain the heritage character of the area; *and*

THAT prior to demolition, staff be requested to visit the property and identify any salvageable items that could be donated to Aurora's Architectural Salvage Program.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

**3. Extract from Council Meeting of April 12, 2016
Re: Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2016**

Moved by John Kazilis
Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

THAT the Extract from Council Meeting of April 12, 2016, regarding the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of March 7, 2016, be received for information.

CARRIED

**4. Extract from Council Meeting of April 26, 2016
Re: Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2016**

**Moved by Bob McRoberts
Seconded by Barry Bridgeford**

THAT the Extract from Council Meeting of April 26, 2016, regarding the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of April 11, 2016, be received for information.

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

Staff reviewed the delegation information provided by Mark Hall and Ray Kurkjian regarding the request to demolish the existing dwelling and replicate the original structure of the Allen Brown Heritage Home.

The Committee deferred any decision regarding the Allen Brown Heritage Home until a report is provided containing background information of the property, structural conditions, and proposed demolition and reconstruction plans.

**New Business Motion No. 1
Moved by Martin Paivio
Seconded by Barry Bridgeford**

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:

THAT staff be directed to report back to the next regular Heritage Advisory Committee meeting regarding the Allen Brown Heritage Home.

CARRIED

The Committee indicated that the building located on 45 Mosley Street has been demolished, although only the demolition and reconstruction of the second storey had been approved. The Committee expressed concern regarding the lack of consequences for an owner that has not adhered to the decisions recommended by the Committee and ratified by Council. Staff indicated that they would investigate the feasibility of imposing fines or fees and report back to the Committee.

The Committee made inquiries regarding Doors Open Aurora. Staff noted that there are new walking tours planned for the event, and new sites including the Patrick House. Staff extended an invitation to members to volunteer on the day of the event, or forward any additional sites to staff for consideration.

The Committee expressed concern regarding heritage trees that are located on private properties and requested staff to investigate what other municipalities are doing to assist owners in properly maintaining these trees.

New Business Motion No. 2
Moved by Councillor Gaertner
Seconded by Martin Paivio

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:

THAT staff be directed to investigate and report back to the Committee regarding methods by which the Town could help home owners to properly maintain heritage trees on their property.

CARRIED

The Committee expressed interest in reviewing and providing input into the Cultural Precinct project.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by James Hoyes
Seconded by Bob McRoberts

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NOT BINDING ON THE TOWN UNLESS OTHERWISE ADOPTED BY COUNCIL AT A LATER MEETING.