# HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 26, 2013

PRESENT: Mr. Stephen Terauds, Chair

Mr. David Houlihan Mr. Richard White Mr. Marcel Parsons Ms. Sarah Levy Ms. Emma Sampson Ms. Monica MacDonald Councillor Waye Mason

REGRETS: Ms. Deborah Larter

Mr. Nelson Brison

Councillor David Hendsbee

STAFF: Mr. Bill Plaskett, Heritage Planner

Ms. Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. in the Media Room, City Hall, and turned the meeting over to the Legislative Assistant for the Election of Chair.

#### 1.1 Election of Chair and Vice Chair

The Legislative Assistant called for nominations for Chair.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Ms. MacDonald that Stephen Terauds be nominated for Chair. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Mr. Terauds accepted the nomination.

The Legislative Assistant called three times for any further nominations; there being none, Mr. Terauds was declared Chair.

MOVED by Mr. Terauds, seconded by Councillor Mason that Monica MacDonald be nominated as Vice Chair. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Ms. MacDonald accepted the nomination. Following three calls for any further nominations and there being none, Ms. MacDonald was declared Vice Chair.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED by Ms. Sampson, seconded by Ms. MacDonald that the minutes of June 6, 2013 be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

# 3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

### **Deletion**:

#### 7.2.1 July Meeting (Chair)

The Chair advised that he was deleting this item because, initially, he was going to see if the Committee would agree to reschedule the July meeting to accommodate a staff report on the National Film Board building, which will also be dealt with by the Design Review Committee. The Chair explained that he was informed recently that the staff report won't be ready early as was expected, therefore, there was no need to consider rescheduling the July meeting.

- 4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES: None
- 5. DEFERRED BUSINESS None

### 6. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

## 6.1 Correspondence:

Correspondence dated June 26, 2013 was submitted from Mr. Phil Pacey, Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia.

Referring to the submitted letter, the Chair advised that last month the Committee invited Mr. Pacey to provide his comments concerning the draft Chapter on Culture and Heritage in the Regional Plan. Mr. Pacey was unable to attend today's meeting to present his comments to the Committee, however, he submitted them in writing.

- 6.2 Petitions: None
- 6.3 Presentations: None
- 6.4 Updates from HAC Members HRM Committees/HAC Sub-committees:
  None
- 7. REPORTS
- 7.1 Staff

# 7.1.1 Continued Review of Draft Regional Plan, Chapter 7, Culture & Heritage

The Committee continued its review of Chapter 7—Culture and Heritage—of the Draft Regional Plan, guided by Mr. Bill Plaskett, Heritage Planner.

The following comments were provided:

- The Committee agreed that there should be only one set of standards and that
  the Federal Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in
  Canada should be adopted and replace the current Municipal Heritage Building
  Conservation Standards. Reasons the Committee supported adopting these
  Guidelines were: they would provide staff more consistency in having to work
  with one set of standards; the Federal Standards are broader; and they are
  more comprehensive.
- The Committee was comfortable in not having a list of Character Defining
  Elements at this time; and, in the future, if a list was going to be developed, it be
  understood that the list is not definitive and could be expanded.

- The Committee recommends there be policy statement advising that all new registrations have a list of Heritage Defining Elements and Statement of Heritage Value.
- The Committee recommends that wording be included indicating that the Municipality will consider ways to lead by example in the area of heritage planning, preservation, conservation and enhancement.
- The Committee feels that some of the language is too weak and should be strengthened. For e.g. 'consider' and 'may' are weak terms.
- In policy Ch-13 the Committee would like to see the preamble in the last sentence reworded so that it is more positive.
- The Committee agreed that there should be an inclusion of "CH-13 (a) (iv) which states that any new development should not create a false sense of historical development.

At 4:55 p.m. Ms. MacDonald retired from the meeting.

The Chair summarized and reviewed the points that were put forward as suggested revisions to the Chapter 7, and advised that, if the Committee were in agreement, he would prepare a written summary of these points and provide to staff with a copy to the Community Design Advisory Committee, **to which the Committee agreed.** 

The meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

7.2 Committee Members: None

### 7.2.1 July Meeting (Chair)

This item was deleted during the approval of the order of business.

- 8. ADDED ITEMS: None
- 9. **NEXT MEETING DATE July 24, 2013**
- 10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.