



**HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
January 28, 2016**

PRESENT: Ms. Aurora Camaño, Vice Chair  
Mr. Brian Cuthbertson  
Mr. Scott Smith  
Ms. Janet Morris  
Mr. William Breckenridge  
Mr. David Williamson  
Mr. Dylan Ames  
Mr. Derek Bellemore  
Councillor David Hendsbee  
Deputy Mayor Whitman

REGRETS: Mr. Jason Cooke, Chair  
Mr. Benjamin LeBlanc

STAFF: Ms. Maggie Holm, Heritage Planner/Officer  
Mr. Seamus McGreal, Heritage Planner  
Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

*The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.*

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*The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. and the Committee adjourned at 3:04 p.m.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. in Halifax Hall, City Hall

The Chair noted that there were four new appointees to the Committee – Mr. Breckenridge, Mr. Williamson, Mr. Ames, and Mr. Bellemore—and round-table introductions were made.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 25, 2015**

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Mr. Cuthbertson

**THAT the minutes of November 25, 2016 be approved.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

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

Additions:

- 10.1 Action Plans for Old South Suburb HCD Stakeholders Steering Committee and Schmitville HCD Stakeholders Steering Committee (Information Items 5 and 6)
- 10.2 Appointment to the Old South Suburb Heritage Conservation District Stakeholder Steering Committee
- 10.3 Meeting Schedule – William Breckenridge

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Whitman, seconded by Mr. Bellemore

**THAT the agenda be approved as amended.**

Two-third majority vote required.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

The Chair added item 10.2 to the agenda, noting that it was raised at the Committee's November meeting, and at that time was deferred to this meeting.

**5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS- NONE**

**6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE**

**7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

**7.1 Correspondence - None**

**7.2 Petitions - None**

**7.3 Presentations**

**7.3.1 Staff Presentation on the Heritage Property Program**

The following was before the Heritage Advisory Committee:

- The Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada

Ms. Maggie Holm distributed copies of the 'Heritage Matters' binder to the new members of the Committee. She then provided an overview of the Heritage Property Program, highlighting the legislation associated with the Program and the Committee's role as outlined in the Heritage Property Act.

**8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

**9. REPORTS**

**9.1 STAFF**

**9.1.1 Case 20174: Development Agreement Amendment – Northwest Corner of Ochterloney Street and Victoria Road, Dartmouth**

The following was before the Heritage Advisory Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 12, 2015.

Mr. Ben Sivak, Major Projects Planner presented the application by Boris Holdings Incorporated for a substantive amendment to the existing development agreement that permits a mixed use development located at the corner of Ochterloney Street and Victoria Road, Dartmouth, which is situated beside and behind a municipally registered heritage property. In his remarks Mr. Sivak indicated that the Committee's focus of this application was on the design changes.

Mr. Sivak responded to questions of clarification. There was general consensus among the Committee to support the staff recommendation.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Whitman

**THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council:**

- 1. Give notice of motion to consider the proposed amending development agreement, as contained in Attachment A of the November 12, 2015 staff report, to permit design changes to the development located on the northwest corner of Ochterloney Street and Victoria Road in Dartmouth and to schedule a public hearing; and**
- 2. Approve the proposed amending development agreement for the development located on the northwest corner of Ochterloney Street and Victoria Road in Dartmouth, as contained Attachment A of the November 12, 2015 staff report; and**
- 3. Require the agreement be signed by the property owner within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of the property owner, from the date of final approval by Council and any other bodies as necessary, including applicable appeal periods, which is later; otherwise this approval will be void and obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**9.2 HCD STAKEHOLDER STEERING COMMITTEES UPDATES (Verbal)**

**9.2.1 Old South Suburb Heritage Conservation District Stakeholder Steering Committee**

Ms. Camaño provided an update from the Old South Suburb HCD Stakeholder Steering Committee. She advised that at the Steering Committee's last meeting, the Committee reviewed nine properties considered low to medium integrity, to determine if they are properties that are contributing to the

resources of the district. The Committee determined that all but one of the properties should be considered as contributing to the resources of the district. The one property that was not included was the Mayfair Apartments. She also noted that the Stakeholder Committee was going to revisit its discussion on the Timothy Noonan House. She explained that the purpose of evaluating these properties was to provide general direction for staff as they begin to draft the HCD plan.

### **9.2.2 Schmidville Heritage Conservation District Stakeholder Steering Committee**

Ms. Morris provided an update from the Schmidville HCD Stakeholder Steering Committee. She advised that the Committee held a meeting last evening and discussed public space improvements and financial incentives. She added that there was discussion on various proposals for landscaping and street advantages, and that there proposals that received the most support were for the softening the look of the parking garage wall of the Park Victoria apartment building and to softening the landscaping of the parking area at the Library. Ms. Morris advised that, with regard to financial incentives, there was discussion on the viability of reality tax incentives for owners of heritage properties in the district. Ms. Morris noted that the residents of the district are very supportive of the designation

Mr. Breckenridge, a member of the Steering Committee, added that the Committee has also held a discussion about increased traffic in the area as a result of new building construction and the concern that a lot of the residents of Schmidville are finding parking difficult.

## **10. ADDED ITEMS**

### **10.1 Action Plans for Old South Suburb HCD Stakeholders Steering Committee and Schmidville HCD Stakeholders Steering Committee**

The Chair explained that staff brought to her attention that the Heritage Advisory Committee is required to endorse the meeting schedules for community engagement that each Steering Committee has developed, and as presented in the Action Plans. She indicated that staff will review the Action Plans and following this, it would be an opportune time to consider an appointment to the Old South Suburb HCD Stakeholders Steering Committee.

Mr. Seamus McGreal, Heritage Planner addressed the Committee and provided an overview of the proposed Heritage Conservation Districts for the Old South Suburb and for Schmidville. In reference to the submitted Action Plans, he explained that according the Terms of Reference for Heritage Conservation Districts, the Heritage Advisory Committee is required to approve the meetings outlined in the Community Engagement Strategies of the District, as presented in the submitted Action Plan. Mr. McGreal indicated that if there were no concerns, then the Committee could provide its endorsement by way of a motion.

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Mr. Ames

**That the Heritage Advisory Committee approve the Old South Suburb HCD Community Engagement Strategy as presented in the Action Plan, submitted to the January 28, 2016 Heritage Advisory Committee meeting.**

### **MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Mr. Ames that

**That the Heritage Advisory Committee approve the Schmidville HCD Community Engagement Strategy as presented in the Action Plan, submitted at the January 28, 2016 Heritage Advisory Committee meeting**

**10.2 Appointment to the Old South Suburb Heritage Conservation District Stakeholder Steering Committee be added to the agenda**

A brief discussion was held on an appointment to the Old South Suburb HCD Stakeholder Steering Committee, and Mr. Dylan Ames expressed an interest in serving as this Committee's representative.

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Mr. Breckenridge

**That Mr. Dylan Ames be appointed to the Old South Suburb Heritage Conservation District Stakeholder Steering Committee as the Heritage Advisory Committee's representative.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**10.3 Meeting Schedule – William Breckenridge**

Mr. Breckenridge advised that that the scheduled meeting time was problematic for him as it impacted on his work and he had to make advance arrangements with his employer to attend the meetings. He questioned if the Committee members were open to considering a possible start time later in the day.

A brief discussion ensued with some members indicating that they were flexible on the meeting time. It was noted that the Committee has traditionally met during regular business hours, and that there could be implications for staff if the Committee were to meet outside regular business hours. The Vice Chair noted that Mr. Cooke, the Chair should be involved in this discussion, and it was agreed to put the matter on the next agenda.

**12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – February 24, 2015**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds  
Legislative Assistant