

HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

October 26, 2011

PRESENT: Mr. David Houlian
Mr. Thomas Dawson
Ms. Andrea Fox
Ms. Carly Sorenson
Mr. Anthony Hannaford
Mr. Mark Archibald, Vice Chair
Councillor Robert Harvey
Councillor Sue Uteck

REGRETS: Mr. Stephen Terauds, Chair
Ms. Monica MacDonald
Ms. Emma Sampson
Ms. Susan Carroll

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 Halifax Hall.

The Chair welcomed Mr. Thomas Dawson, noting that Regional Council recently appointed him to the Committee.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED by Ms. Sorensen, seconded by Ms. Fox the minutes of August 31, 2011 be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

The Chair advised that he had a brief question for staff, but it did not need to be an added item. He referred to the archeologically work carried out on the site of the new library, and questioned if there were any plans to incorporate it into the landscaping of the new library.

At 3:07 p.m. Councillor Uteck entered the meeting.

Mr. Plaskett advised that he would look into this matter and follow up with a response to the Committee.

The agenda was accepted as presented.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

4.1 Business Arising – None

4.2 Status Sheet - None

5. DEFERRED ITEMS – None

6. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Correspondence: None

6.2 Petitions: None

6.3 Presentations:

6.3.1 Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia – an Introduction and Overview of Heritage Trust for members of Heritage Advisory Committee

Mr. Peter Delefes, President of Heritage Trust addressed the Committee and introduced Mr. Phil Pacey, advising that he was also a member of Heritage Trust and he sat on their Committee which deals specifically with the HRM.

Mr. Delefes advised that he would welcome an opportunity to meet the Committee members in an informal session to engage in a discussion of ideas and to hear the Committee's view on how heritage can be preserved in the City. He then went on to provide background information on the history of the Heritage Trust, noting that it was a 50 year old organization, founded in 1959, and is a not for profit, volunteer provincial

organization covering the area from Yarmouth to Sydney. He reviewed the work that the Trust does, such as workshops and lectures to educate the public about the importance of heritage.

Mr. Delefes noted the unique collection of historical buildings in Halifax, and suggested that it was not only good from a tourism perspective but economically it was good for the City and will help in the revitalization of the downtown. In concluding his remarks, Mr. Delefes advised that he was very respectful of the Committee and he encouraged members to do whatever they can to help preserve heritage buildings. He suggested that there has been a great deal of pressure from the development community to alter land use in the downtown and expressed concern over this and the amount of facadism going on and he encouraged the Committee to address these concerns.

Mr. Pacey addressed the Committee and advised that the Heritage Property Act gives the Committee certain powers and he encouraged the members to think about the principle of *value added* in ways such as putting its own stamp on reports to Council, visiting the sites under discussion, and reading extra documentation. Mr. Pacey also encouraged the Committee to support increasing funds to HRM 's heritage division in order to help expedite matters noting, for example, that there are 10 proposed Heritage Conservation Districts but only one has been approved so far. Mr. Pacey also suggested that getting more buildings registered and getting more incentive money are other ways of providing *value added*.

Mr. Pacey circulated copies of a document regarding the Morris Project and noted that Heritage Trust and other concerned partners were working together to preserve the building. He explained that in order to save the building they were required to move it from its original location. Nova Scotia Power agreed to allow the building to be temporarily situated on their property but the deadline to move it from their property is next Wednesday and they have yet to find a permanent location. Mr. Pacey indicated that in addition to finding a permanent site they will need funding assistance for the move.

Mr. Delefes and Mr. Pacey responded to questions, and were thanked by the Chair for their presentation.

7. REPORTS:

7.1 Staff

7.1.1 Case H00353: Application to Consider 1141 Cartaret Street, Halifax as a Municipally Registered Heritage Property

A staff report dated September 8, 2011 was submitted.

Mr. Bill Plaskett, Heritage Planner provided a presentation on the application by Victoria Grant for registration of 1141 Cartaret Street, Halifax as a municipal heritage property.

In response to a question, Mr. Plaskett advised that he was not aware of any plans for the Carriage House at this time.

The Committee reviewed the application, evaluating it against the HRM Criteria for Registration of Heritage Buildings and scoring it as follows:

Criterion	Highest Possible Score	Score Awarded
1. Age	25	13
2. a) Relationship to Important Occasions, Institutions, Personages or Groups OR 2. b) Important/Unique Architectural Style or Highly Representative of an Era	20	18
3. Significance of Architect/Builder	10	4
4. a) Architectural Merit: Construction type/building technology	10	10
4. b) Architectural Merit: Style	10	6
5. Architectural Integrity	15	7
6. Relationship to Surrounding Area	10	8
Total	100	66

SCORE NECESSARY FOR DESIGNATION 50

Designation Recommended? YES NO

MOVED by Councillor Uteck, seconded by Ms. Sorensen that, with 1141 Cartaret Street, Halifax scoring 66 points, the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Regional Council:

1. Set a date for a heritage hearing to consider the application; and
2. Approve the Registration of this property, as shown on Map 1, under the HRM Heritage Property Program.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

7.1.2 Case H00359: Application to Consider 5720-22 Inglis Street, Halifax, as a Municipally Registered Heritage Property

Ms. Fox advised the Committee that she had a conflict in regard to this matter and would remove herself from the discussion and vote.

A staff report dated September 14, 2011 was submitted.

Mr. Plaskett provided the presentation on the application by Louise and Jim Warren for registration of 5720-22 Inglis Street, Halifax as a municipally registered heritage property.

The Committee reviewed the application evaluating it against the HRM Criteria for Registration of Heritage Buildings and scoring it as follows:

Criterion	Highest Possible Score	Score Awarded
1. Age	25	13
2. a) Relationship to Important Occasions, Institutions, Personages or Groups OR 2. b) Important/Unique Architectural Style or Highly Representative of an Era	20	17
3. Significance of Architect/Builder	10	2
4. a) Architectural Merit: Construction type/building technology	10	5
4. b) Architectural Merit: Style	10	7
5. Architectural Integrity	15	13
6. Relationship to Surrounding Area	10	10
Total	100	67

SCORE NECESSARY FOR DESIGNATION 50

Designation Recommended? YES NO

MOVED by Councillor Uteck, seconded by Ms. Sorensen that, with 5720-22 Inglis Street, Halifax scoring 67 points, the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Regional Council:

1. Set a date for a heritage hearing to consider the application; and
2. Approve the registration of 5720-22 Inglis Street, as shown on Map 1 of the September 8, 2011 staff report, under the HRM Heritage Property Program.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8. **ADDED ITEMS:** None
9. **NEXT MEETING DATE – November 23, 2011**
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds
Legislative Assistant