



**HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
June 22, 2016**

PRESENT: Mr. Jason Cooke, Chair
Mr. Brian Cuthbertson
Ms. Janet Morris
Mr. William Breckenridge
Mr. David Williamson
Mr. Dylan Ames
Councillor David Hendsbee
Deputy Mayor Matt Whitman

REGRETS: Ms. Aurora Camano, Vice Chair
Mr. Scott Smith
Mr. Benjamin LeBlanc
Mr. Derek Bellemore

STAFF: Ms. Maggie Holm, Planner III
Ms. Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m., and adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. in the Media Room, 1st Floor, City Hall.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 25, 2016

MOVED by Ms. Morris, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT the minutes of May 25, 2016 be approved.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Whitman, seconded by Mr. Ames,

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE

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 Presentation

7.3.1 Presentation on Centre Plan – Heritage and Culture

Mr. Jacob Ritchie, Urban Design Program Manager provided a presentation updating the Committee on the Centre Plan project.

Mr. Ritchie responded to questions. A suggestion was put forward that this process would be a good opportunity for promoting and providing education on heritage properties, and could provide information on the benefits of having a heritage property registered.

At 3:53 p.m. Deputy Mayor Whitman excused himself from the meeting.

In response to a question on how the Committee could be kept up to date on the Centre Plan project, Mr. Ritchie noted that the Community Design Advisory Committee (CDAC) oversees the process. He explained that CDAC reports to the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee, and that perhaps when CDAC submits information to the Standing Committee, it could also provide the information to the Heritage Advisory Committee.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Request to Waive a Right of First Refusal for 1260 Blenheim Terrace, Halifax

The following was before Heritage Advisory Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated May 25, 2016.

Ms. Holm provided a presentation on a request by the property owner of 1260 Blenheim Terrace, Halifax to amend an existing heritage agreement for the municipal heritage property.

A brief discussion ensued and, noting that the property will remain a registered heritage property and the heritage agreement will remain in effect, the Committee was in agreement with staff's opinion that the protection of the heritage values of the Sir Sandford Fleming Lodge will not be affected by removing the sections of the existing heritage agreement providing the Municipality has the right of first refusal.

MOVED by Mr. Ames, seconded by Mr. Cuthbertson

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend Regional Council:

- 1. Retain the existing heritage agreement but consent to a waiver of the right of first refusal for lot 2E-1 granted to the Halifax Regional Municipality by Diana Joyce Higgs in sections 3 (e) and 4 of an amended Heritage Agreement for the Sir Sandford Fleming Lodge (1260 Blenheim Terrace, Halifax) dated June 2, 1998; and**
- 2. Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the necessary release on behalf of the Municipality to effect the waiver as outlined in recommendation 1.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

9.1.2 Case H00433: Barrington Street Heritage Conservation District Financial Incentives Program 2016-17

The following was before Heritage Advisory Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated May 19, 2016.

Ms. Holm responded to questions of clarification.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Mr. Williamson

The Heritage Advisory Committee recommends Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve a grant of not more than \$100,000 and a tax credit of not more than \$1,000,000 for the restoration of the Keith building located at 1581-89 Barrington Street;**
- 2. Approve a grant of not more than \$78,886 and a tax credit of not more than \$147,487 for the restoration of the Canada Permanent building located at 1646 Barrington Street;**
- 3. Approve a grant of not more than \$23,851 for the restoration of the Former City Club Building located at 1580 Barrington Street;**
- 4. Approve a grant of not more than \$7,616 and a tax credit of not more than \$612 for the Colwell building located at 1673 Barrington Street;**
- 5. Approve the grants and tax credits referenced in recommendations 1-4 above conditional upon each the respective applicant having first:**
 - a) completed the work set out in the respective application to the satisfaction of the Municipality;**

- b) **provided well organized receipts and invoices, in a format acceptable to the Municipality, to support the total amount approved; and**
- c) **executed and registered at the Registry of Deeds an agreement that the owner will not apply to demolish, nor will they demolish, the respective property for 20 years from the date of the agreement.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

9.2 HCD STAKEHOLDER STEERING COMMITTEES UPDATES (Verbal)

9.2.1 Old South Suburb Heritage Conservation District Stakeholder Steering Committee

Mr. Dylan Ames provided an update on the work of the Old South Suburb Heritage Conservation District Stakeholder Steering Committee. He noted the Committee is anticipating that the draft plan will be ready for the July 8th meeting.

9.2.2 Schmidville Heritage Conservation District Stakeholder Steering Committee

Mr. Breckenridge provided an update in regard to the work of the Schmidville Heritage Conservation District Stakeholder Steering Committee. He noted that Benjamin LeBlanc has missed a number of meetings and the Committee requested that he be replaced.

The Chair informed the Committee that Mr. LeBlanc has stepped down from the Heritage Advisory Committee because recent changes in his work made it difficult to attend the Committee's meetings. The Chair pointed out that Mr. LeBlanc had been H.A.C.'s representative on the Steering Committee, therefore, another appointment will have to be made. The Chair asked if anyone wished to serve on the Stakeholder Committee. No one expressed an interest in serving on the Committee. Mr. Breckenridge noted that he was on the Committee in another capacity, and that if the Committee wished, he would also serve as H.A.C.'s representative. Following a brief discussion, it was agreed that Mr. Breckenridge would be the Committee's representative on the Stakeholder Steering Committee.

10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – July 27, 2016

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds
Legislative Assistant