

**HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY**

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**HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**October 22, 2008**

- PRESENT:** Mr. Tom Creighton, Chair  
Councillor Robert Harvey, Vice Chair  
Mr. Michael Cross  
Mr. Arthur Irwin  
Mr. Stephen Terauds  
Ms. Lisa Miller  
Councillor Dawn Sloane
- ABSENT:** Ms. Susan Carroll (regrets)  
Mr. Mark Pothier  
Mr. Ryan Deschamps  
Ms. Catherine Thibeault
- STAFF:** Ms. Maggie Holm, Heritage Planner  
Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:08 p.m. in Halifax Hall, City Hall.

Councillor Sloane indicated that she would have to leave the meeting early as she had another appointment.

The Chair suggested and **it was agreed** that the Committee would immediately deal with item 7.1 while there was a quorum present.

## 7 REPORTS:

### 7.1 **Case H00227: Alterations to 1390 Thornvale Avenue, Halifax**

A staff report dated September 10, 2008 was submitted.

Ms. Maggie Holm, Heritage Planner reviewed the application by the owner of 1390 Thornvale Avenue, Halifax for substantial alterations to the property which is a municipally and provincially registered heritage property. In her presentation, she noted the following points:

- the owner intends to continue the use of the building as a single-family home.
- proposed alterations include replacing the windows with energy efficient wooden windows clad in aluminum; a two-car garage attached to the building, measuring 25 ft. by 31 ft. with storage space on the second floor; and a side entry to connect the main house to the garage.
- this property is also a provincially registered heritage property, therefore, it will require approval from the Province as well as the Municipality.

Mr. Danny Chedrawe, the property owner, addressed the Committee and provided further details on his application. Mr. Chedrawe advised that his intent was to bring the building back as close as possible to its original look. He noted that due to water issues in the basement, they have removed the stone foundation and replaced it with a cement foundation, waterproofed it, and refaced it with Nova Scotia limestone. With regard to the windows he explained that the windows will be wooden with metal cladding to protect against the elements, particularly being so close to salt water. He advised that they will be re-creating the trim around the windows and are able to save and re-use 25 percent of the original trim. Mr. Chedrawe also noted that the shingles which will be used are Western Red Cedar shingles.

Mr. Chedrawe noted additional challenges he came across in renovation were that the windows had leaked for many years, resulting in water going down through and rotting the wood; and it was discovered that the wood around the four chimneys had deteriorated. He advised that other than these issues it was in good shape for a 130 year old home. Other aspects regarding the renovation he noted were: the removal of the 1950's addition of

slide-type windows when re-creating the original porch from the 1860's; and he will be installing a kitchen and bathrooms.

**MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Mr. Cross that the Heritage Advisory Committee:**

1. **Approve the use of non-traditional materials for the window replacements;**
2. **Recommend that Regional Council approve the garage addition as outlined in the September 10, 2008 staff report.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Harvey that the minutes of September 24, 2008 be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

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

Addition: 8.1 December Meeting

**4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: None**

**5. DEFERRED ITEMS: None**

**6. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS:**

6.1 Correspondence: None

6.2 Petitions: None

6.3 Presentations: None

6.4 Updates from HAC Members - HRM Committees and HAC Sub-committees: None

**8. ADDED ITEMS:**

**8.1 December Meeting**

The Chair advised that, traditionally, the Committee's December meeting was brief and was followed by a social to acknowledge the outgoing members of the Committee. He added that staff are requesting the Committee hold a meeting on December 10, 2008 in order that they can present the HRM by Design: Barrington Street Conservation District Plan and By-law. The Chair noted that the report pertaining to this matter will not be available until December 8, 2008 and that staff intend to courier copies to the Committee members. The Chair questioned if the Committee members would be in agreement to hold a December 10 meeting as requested.

The Chair also pointed out that at this past Tuesday's Regional Council meeting, Councillor Rankin provided a Notice of Motion to extend all citizen appointments to HRM's Committees to the end of December 2008.

**MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Mr. Terauds that the Heritage Advisory Committee schedule its December meeting for December 10, 2008. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

November 26, 2008.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds  
Legislative Assistant