



COMMUNITY HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 22, 2023
7:00 – 9:00 pm – via MS Teams
MINUTES

Present: Anne Savill
Jim Paul (Chair)
Jennifer Clay
Rob Griesdale
Alastair Moore
Mel Montgomery

Regrets: Trevor Ford
Cllr Jim Hanson

Staff: Isabelle Kim, Community Planner
Shannon Lambie, Community Planner
Mary Jukich, Committee Clerk

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOVED by Jim Paul and seconded by Anne Savill
To adopt the agenda.

CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

MOVED by Jim Paul and seconded by Rob Griesdale
To adopt the January 25, 2023 minutes.

CARRIED

4. HAC 2023 Workplan

Isabelle Kim provided an overview of the ongoing and completed items from last year's workplan and noted that some items will rollover to 2023. Categories of work undertaken were review of permit applications, recruitment, heritage week, heritage awards, the heritage tour, some of the Heritage Strategic Plan implementation actions.

On review and discussion of the workplan, the following comments were provided:

- A question was raised with respect to Heritage Register Update item #2 and the need for a consultant to identify additional buildings and sites from inventories, and that the committee members were knowledgeable to do the work. Information was provided that this was identified in the strategic plan and that a consultant would undertake this work because the consultant would be better qualified to evaluate heritage properties.

- With respect to Heritage Register Update item #5, a concern was raised about removing demolished properties from the heritage register. Rather they should be flagged as demolished. In this regard, staff will report back on whether it is possible to maintain the properties on the register.
- Staff indicated that it may be beneficial to create a one-pager FAQ on heritage; however, in terms of impact, committee members noted that policy change is required as this is integral to preserving heritage. Staff will re-evaluate the merit of pursuing this work.
- A question was raised on whether there was an opportunity for introducing heritage into the district school system. Staff indicated that this may be an item that committee members could undertake outside of the workplan.

5. Heritage Week

Social Media / Heritage Walking Tour Brochures

Committee members were informed that in terms of moving forward with a communication tool, the recommendation from the Communications Department was to move away from brochures and instead develop an online platform. On discussion, a concern was raised that in terms of electronic format, there are people who do not access electronic platforms and who prefer receiving invitations, notices, etc. that are tangible.

6. Heritage Awards

Committee members were informed that the North Shore Cultural Compass has been identified as a possible nominee for this year's heritage awards. Members also discussed the possibility of nominating the Capilano Suspension Bridge and the Lions for cultural and landscape assets. However, members indicated that the Lions may not fit the landscape preservation or enhancement category, but that the Capilano Suspension Bridge is promoting Indigenous and other culture and heritage, and this may be worth exploring as an award opportunity.

MOVED By Mel Montgomery and seconded by Anne Savill

That the North Shore Cultural Compass be nominated for a heritage award under the category of heritage advocacy.

CARRIED

7. Plaques Program

Isabelle Kim reported that the City of North Vancouver was not able to provide a digital copy of their plaques. In terms of timelines, members were informed that trying to align with other jurisdictions' plaques will take more time than if the District moves forward with a unique design. Members who provided comments indicated that it may be beneficial to move towards a plaque design that is different than other municipalities. In this regard, staff will contact the

Communications Department for further information, and this item will be brought to the March meeting.

8. Properties Tracker

The following properties were added to the properties tracker:

- 2357 Riverside Drive
- 195 Windsor Road East
- 3074 - 3096 Mountain highway
- 3490 Church Street
- 3400 Institute Road
- 2021 Panaroma Drive

9. HAC Recruitment

Currently, there are two vacancies on the committee, a member at large and a registered landscape architect. The two vacancies have been posted on the external District website as well as posted on the BCSLA Friday Files. A committee member suggested posting to AIBC.

In this regard, it was also suggested that members contact their personal networks and past award winners. Committee members will prepare a draft letter seeking someone to fill the two vacancies and this will be posted on Basecamp for feedback.

10. Basecamp Overview

Isabelle Kim provided an overview of recent housekeeping and organizational revisions undertaken to Basecamp, and the new categories developed for saving and archiving documents and conversations.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 22, 2023