

# Town of Aurora Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, March 6, 2017

**Time and Location:** 7 p.m., Holland Room, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: Councillor Wendy Gaertner (Chair), Councillor Jeff Thom

(Vice Chair), Neil Asselin, Barry Bridgeford, Bob McRoberts (Honorary Member), Carol Gravelle, James Hoyes, and John

Kazilis

Member(s) Absent: Martin Paivio

Other Attendees: Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Development

Services, Jeff Healey, Planner, and Samantha Kong,

Council/Committee Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

#### 1. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Thom Seconded by Bob McRoberts

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, with the following additions, be approved:

- Delegation (a) Ian Ding, representing the Owner; Re: Item 1 HAC17-003 –
   Heritage Permit Application, 41 Centre Street, File: NE-HCD-HPA-17-01
- Delegation (b) Chris Pretotto, Architect, and Kevin Vanderpost, Owner; Re: Item
   2 HAC17-006 Heritage Permit Application, 82 Catherine Avenue, File
   Number: NE-HCD-HPA-17-04
- Delegation (c) Sasan Saadat, Owner; Re: Item 3 HAC17-005 Heritage Permit Application, 36 Mark Street, File Number: NE-HCD-HPA-17-02
- Delegation (d) Mark Kolb, Owner, Hidden Live Game; Re: Web Application to Celebrate History and Heritage of Aurora

Carried

#### 3. Receipt of the Minutes

Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 13, 2017

Moved by Carol Gravelle Seconded by John Kazilis

That the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 13, 2017, be received for information.

Carried

#### 4. Delegations

(a) Ian Ding, representing the Owner

Re: Item 1 – HAC17-003 – Heritage Permit Application, 41 Centre Street, File: NE-HCD-HPA-17-01

Mr. Ding provided background information on the application and was present to answer questions of the Committee.

Moved by Councillor Thom Seconded by Bob McRoberts

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Item 1.

Carried

## (b) Chris Pretotto, Architect, and Kevin Vanderpost, Owner Re: Item 2 – HAC17-006 – Heritage Permit Application, 82 Catherine Avenue, File Number: NE-HCD-HPA-17-04

Mr. Pretotto provided a brief overview of the application and presented new elevation drawings.

#### Moved by John Kazilis Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Item 2.

Carried

#### (c) Sasan Saadat, Owner

Re: Item 3 – HAC17-005 – Heritage Permit Application, 36 Mark Street, File Number: NE-HCD-HPA-17-02

Mr. Saadat provided a brief overview of the application and was present to answer questions of the Committee.

## Moved by Councillor Thom Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Item 3.

Carried

## (d) Mark Kolb, Owner, Hidden Live Game Re: Web Application to Celebrate History and Heritage of Aurora

Mr. Kolb provided an overview of the free web application Hidden Live and proposed that the Town could utilize it to celebrate the history and heritage of Aurora. He expressed interest in collaborating with the Committee to create content for the application in order to create a historical walking tour, as well as prizes and sponsorship.

#### Moved by Councillor Thom Seconded by James Hoyes

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to staff.

Carried

#### 5. Matters for Consideration

## 1. HAC17-003 – Heritage Permit Application, 41 Centre Street File Number: NE-HCD-HPA-17-01

Staff provided a brief overview of the property and indicated that the building is not considered to be a heritage building within the district as it does not contribute architecturally. He stated that the proposed design would provide a more appropriate style to the Heritage District.

The Committee expressed support and inquired if the proposed designs required any zoning changes or minor variances. Staff stated that the owners appear to meet the provisions of the zoning by-law. The Committee requested that staff indicate that the Committee did not receive any reports on minor variance, should this application proceed to the Committee of Adjustment.

## Moved by Carol Gravelle Seconded by Neil Asselin

- 1. That Report No. HAC17-003 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
  - (a) That Heritage Permit Application NE-HCD-HPA-17-01 be approved for the demolition of the existing structure; and
  - (b) That the submitted plans and building elevations be approved to permit the construction of a 308m<sup>2</sup> structure; and
  - (c) That the owner be encouraged to incorporate Landscaping in keeping with Section 9.7 of the District Plan.

Carried

## 2. HAC17-006 – Heritage Permit Application, 82 Catherine Avenue File Number: NE-HCD-HPA-17-04

Staff provided a brief history of the property and stated that the building depicts an arts and craft style home within the district very well. Staff noted that the major changes presented in the application pertain to the rear addition and

noted that staff support the minor changes to the front elevation. The Committee expressed support for the design of the proposed building.

#### Moved by Bob McRoberts Seconded by John Kazilis

- That Report No. HAC17-006 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
  - (a) That the demolition of the existing 11.6m<sup>2</sup> rear addition be approved; and
  - (b) That Heritage Permit Application NE-HCD-HPA-17-04 be approved to permit the construction of a 60m<sup>2</sup> rear addition and expansion of the front dormer as shown on the submitted plans; and
  - (c) That the existing side door be retained.

Carried

## 3. HAC17-005 – Heritage Permit Application, 36 Mark Street File: NE-HCD-HPA-17-02

Staff provided a brief overview of the property and indicated that the owner is willing to work with staff in regards to the design and architecture. Staff read the comments received from the design review panel.

The Committee requested staff circulate the comments of the design review panel within the report or as an additional item.

#### Moved by John Kazilis Seconded by Carol Gravelle

- 1. That Report No. HAC17-005 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
  - (a) That Heritage Permit Application NE-HCD-HPA-17-02 be approved for the demolition of the existing structure; and

- (b) That the Owner submit revised elevations that demonstrate greater conformity with the Northeast Old Aurora Heritage Conservation District Plan; and
- (c) That the revised plans be reviewed by the Heritage Advisory Committee at a future meeting.

Carried

#### 6. Informational Items

4. Extract from Council Meeting of February 14, 2017

Re: Memorandum from Mayor Dawe, Re: Correspondence from The Honourable Peter Van Loan, MP, York-Simcoe – Proposed Private Member's Bill C-323

Staff provided an overview of the memorandum presented at Council and the Committee expressed support.

Moved by Bob McRoberts Seconded by Councillor Thom

 That the Extract from Council Meeting of February 14, 2017, regarding the Memorandum from Mayor Dawe, Re: Correspondence from The Honourable Peter van Loan, MP, York-Simcoe – Proposed Private Member's Bill C-323, be received for information.

Carried

#### 7. New Business

Bob McRoberts informed the Committee that he would be absent at the next meeting.

Councillor Gaertner inquired if the Committee was interested in designating Town Park. The Committee expressed support.

Councillor Thom inquired if the buildings on Yonge Street are listed or designated, and if it was feasible to undertake a project to review all the buildings on Yonge

Street to ensure those worthy of designation are protected from development. Staff indicated that some buildings are designated such as the Clock tower.

#### 8. Adjournment

Moved by Neil Asselin Seconded by James Hoyes

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Carried

Committee recommendations are not binding on the Town unless otherwise adopted by Council at a later meeting.