

Town of Aurora Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, November 13, 2017

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

Committee Members: Councillor Wendy Gaertner (Chair), Neil Asselin, Barry

Bridgeford, John Kazilis, Bob McRoberts (Honorary

Member), Martin Paivio, and Ken Turriff

Members Absent: Councillor Jeff Thom (Vice Chair) and James Hoyes

Other Attendees: Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Building Services,

Jeff Healey, Planner, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee

Secretary

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

1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Bob McRoberts Seconded by Martin Paivio

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Carried

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

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

3. Receipt of the Minutes

Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of October 16, 2017

Moved by Neil Asselin Seconded by John Kazilis

That the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of October 16, 2017, be received for information.

Carried

4. Delegations

(a) Owen R. Scott, representing Brutto Consulting

Re: Item 1 – HAC17-024 – Request to Remove a Property from the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest, 14288 Yonge Street

Mr. Scott spoke to aspects of the staff report and recommendations, and stated that the building is a common farmhouse in poor condition with no significant heritage value, which is not rare or unique, has no impact on adjacent properties or significant linkage to its surroundings, and has undergone a number of unsympathetic renovations.

Moved by John Kazilis Seconded by Bob McRoberts

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

Carried

(b) Bowen Sun, representing Jiancheng Zheng, Pingqing Zhang
 Re: Item 2 – HAC17-025 – Request to Remove a Property from the
 Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest,
 86 Temperance Street

Mr. Sun provided background to the application and noted the deficiencies of the building respecting the basement, roof, and other elements.

Moved by Barry Bridgeford Seconded by Ken Turriff

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

Carried

5. Matters for Consideration

1. HAC17-024 – Request to Remove a Property from the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest 14288 Yonge Street

Staff provided a brief overview of the application and clarification regarding the staff recommendations.

The Committee and staff discussed various aspects of the application including the proposed demolition and rebuild of the main house, replication, location and maintenance of contextual value, financial contribution to Heritage Reserve Fund, trail system and easements, and heritage commemoration options.

Moved by Bob McRoberts Seconded by John Kazilis

- 1. That Report No. HAC17-024 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
 - (a) That the property located at 14288 Yonge Street be removed from the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest; and
 - (b) That a financial contribution to the Heritage Reserve Fund be provided to the Town; and
 - (c) That the Owner's heritage consultant submit a photographic report of a controlled demolition of the Cannon Farmhouse to determine the building's construction date for education purposes; **and**
 - (d) That the Cannon Farmhouse name be commemorated by street naming and a plaque within the private condominium road and, where appropriate, along the public trail; and
 - (e) That materials salvaged from the demolished home be used in the commemorative marker/plague.

Carried as amended

2. HAC17-025 – Request to Remove a Property from the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest 86 Temperance Street

Staff provided background and a brief overview of the application.

The Committee and staff discussed the lot size and zoning of the property.

Moved by John Kazilis Seconded by Martin Paivio

- 1. That Report No. HAC17-025 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
 - (a) That the property located at 86 Temperance Street be removed from the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest upon issuance of a demolition permit for the property; and
 - (b) That future building elevations are subject to approval of Planning staff to ensure the proposed new dwelling will maintain the heritage character of the area; and
 - (c) That the Black Walnut tree located in the southwest corner of the lot be preserved; and
 - (d) That a future Zoning By-law amendment to change the zoning from RA2 to R3 to permit a new, single detached residential dwelling on the subject lands, in keeping with the neighbourhood, be supported by the Heritage Advisory Committee.

Carried as amended

6. Informational Items

3. HAC17-026 – Wood Plaque Application 101 Temperance Street

Staff provided a brief overview of the application.

The Committee and staff discussed the history of the home, and the Committee expressed agreement with the recommended plaque wording.

Moved by Martin Paivio Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

1. That Report No. HAC17-026 be received for information.

Carried

4. Extract from Council Meeting of October 24, 2017

Re: Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2017, and Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-09

Moved by Bob McRoberts Seconded by John Kazilis

1. That the Extract from Council Meeting of October 24, 2017, regarding the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of September 11, 2017, and Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-09, be received for information.

Carried

7. New Business

Councillor Gaertner noted that the recommendation from the Heritage Advisory Committee to designate Town Park was recommended by General Committee without comment at its meeting of November 7, 2017, to be further considered by Council on November 14, 2017.

The Committee remarked on the various ways, in addition to replication, to commemorate heritage, and suggested that greater diligence be applied to the allowable renovations of heritage properties.

The Committee commented on the categories and criteria used by the Evaluation Working Group respecting Item 1. The Chair expressed appreciation to the Evaluation Working Group for all of its efforts in evaluating heritage properties.

8. Adjournment

Moved by Ken Turriff Seconded by Martin Paivio

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Carried

Committee recommendations are not binding on the Town unless otherwise adopted by Council.