

# Town of Aurora Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Monday, February 12, 2018

**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, James Hoyes, John Kazilis, and Bob McRoberts (Honorary Member) and

Ken Turriff

**Members Absent:** Martin Paivio

Other Attendees: Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Development

Services, Jeff Healey, Planner, and Ishita Soneji,

Council/Committee Secretary

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

### 1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Thom Seconded by Ken Turriff

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

 Delegation (b) Steve Mill, Resident; Re: Item 3 – HAC18-003 – Heritage Permit Application, Our Lady of Grace Church, 15347 Yonge Street and 16 Catherine Avenue, File: NE-HCD-HPA-18-01

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 December 11, 2017

Moved by John Kazilis Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

That the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of December 11, 2017, be received for information.

Carried

### 4. Delegations

(a) Sara Jordao, Larkin Architect Ltd. representing Our Lady of Grace Church Re: Item 3 – HAC18-003 – Heritage Permit Application, Our Lady of Grace Church, 15347 Yonge Street and 16 Catherine Avenue, File: NE-HCD-HPA-18-01

Ms. Jordao was present to respond to questions from the Committee, and provided any necessary clarifications regarding the application.

Moved by John Kazilis Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

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

Carried

(b) Steve Mills, Resident

Re: Item 3 – HAC18-003 – Heritage Permit Application, Our Lady of Grace Church, 15347 Yonge Street and 16 Catherine Avenue, File: NE-HCD-HPA-18-01.

Mr. Mills expressed concerns regarding the lack of coniferous trees and landscaping surrounding the proposed parking lot along Maple Street, and responded to questions.

Moved by Bob McRoberts Seconded by Councillor Thom

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

**Carried** 

### 5. Matters for Consideration

The Committee consented to consider items in the following order: Item 3, 1 and 2.

1. HAC18-001 – Request for Letter of Support – Community Heritage Ontario

Staff provided an overview and intent of the letter of support.

### Moved by Bob McRoberts Seconded by Ken Turriff

- 1. That Report No. HAC18-001 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
  - (a) That staff prepare a letter in support of Recommendations identified within Report 10 of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development.

Carried

## 2. HAC18-002 – Request to Remove a Property from the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest 15858 Yonge Street

Staff provided background and a brief overview of the application.

The Committee inquired about the demolition plans and inquired and the deliberation process at the Design Review Panel, and staff provided clarifications.

## Moved by Councillor Thom Seconded by John Kazilis

- 1. That Report No. HAC18-002 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
  - (a) That the property located at 15858 Yonge Street be removed from the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest; and
  - (b) That future building elevations are subject to approval of Planning staff; and

(c) That future building elevations are subject to a second review by the Design Review Panel prior to issuance of a Building Permit.

Carried

3. HAC18-003 – Heritage Permit Application
Our Lady of Grace Church, 15347 Yonge Street and 16
Catherine Avenue, File: NE-HCD-HPA-18-01

Staff provided a brief overview of the application and the proposed alterations.

The Committee and staff discussed various aspects of the application including the means of preservation and structural support of the heritage structures during demolition, need for an entrance from Yonge Street, various structural features including the steeple, and the need for low growing coniferous vegetation surrounding the parking lot along Maple Street.

### Moved by Neil Asselin Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

- 1. That Report No. HAC18-003 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
  - (a) That Heritage Permit Application NE-HCD-HPA-18-01 be approved; and
  - (b) That a front entrance, facing Yonge Street, be added to the new enclosed Narthex; and
  - (c) That the location design and wording of commemorative heritage plaques be approved by staff prior to execution of the Site Plan Agreement; and
  - (d) That, prior to execution of the Site Plan Agreement, the owner submit a Letter of Credit to the Town for the installation of commemorative heritage plaques and the preservation of 16 Catherine Avenue during the demolition of Lynett Hall and construction of the proposed addition; and
  - (e) That the Site Plan Agreement ensure the inclusion of coniferous landscape screening, in keeping with the CPTED (Crime

Prevention Through Environmental Design) principles, to address the visual impact of the parking lot along Maple Street.

Carried as amended

#### 6. Informational Items

4. HAC17-027 – Yonge Street Building Inventory

Staff provided a brief overview of the report.

The Committee and staff discussed the possibility of conducting an objective evaluation of various properties located in the downtown core of Yonge Street, and suggested that the evaluations be brought back to the Committee for further review. The Committee further discussed the scope of work for the Evaluation Working Group during the evaluation process.

## Moved by Councillor Thom Seconded by Neil Asselin

- 1. That Report No. HAC17-027 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
  - (a) That the Evaluation Working Group provide an objective evaluation on each of the following properties:
    - 15243B Yonge Street; "Whimster's Store"
    - 15243 A Yonge Street; "Mulock Block"
    - 15242 Yonge Street; "The Lloyd Building"
    - 15240 Yonge Street; "The Ashton Building"
    - 15233 Yonge Street; "Medical Hall"
    - 15229 Yonge Street; "The Willis Building"
    - 15225 Yonge Street; "Winter's Bakery"
    - 15222, 15224 & 15226 Yonge Street; "The Faughner Building"
    - 15221 Yonge Street; "Sterling Bank"
    - 15218-15220 Yonge Street; "The Clift Building"
    - 15216 Yonge Street; "The Odd Fellows Block"
    - 15210 Yonge Street; "The Andrews Block"
    - 15203 Yonge Street; "The Butcher Building"

- 15199 Yonge Street; "The Grimshaw Bakery"
- 15195 Yonge Street; and
- (b) That the objective evaluations be submitted to the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting of May 14, 2018, for further review.

Carried as amended

5. Extract from Council Meeting of January 30, 2018

Re: Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2017

Moved by James Hoyes Seconded by Bob McRoberts

 That the Extract from Council Meeting of January 30, 2018, regarding the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of November 13, 2017, be received for information.

Carried

### 7. New Business

The Committee inquired about the mitigation of ongoing construction at 32 Wellington Street, and staff provided a response.

### 8. Adjournment

Moved by Neil Asselin Seconded by Councillor Thom

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Carried

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