

Town of Aurora Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date:	Monday, July 9, 2018
Time and Location:	7 p.m., Holland Room, Aurora Town Hall
Committee Members:	Councillor Wendy Gaertner (Chair), Councillor Jeff Thom (Vice Chair) Bob McRoberts (Honorary Member), Neil Asselin, Barry Bridgeford, James Hoyes, Martin Paivio, and Ken Turriff
Members Absent:	John Kazilis
Other Attendees:	Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Development Services, and Ishita Soneji, Council/Committee Secretary

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

1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Neil Asselin Seconded by James Hoyes

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

 Item 3 – Memorandum from Manager, Parks and Fleet, Re: Tree Removal Permit Application – 61 Spruce Street

Carried

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

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

Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2018

Moved by James Hoyes Seconded by Bob McRoberts

That the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of June 11, 2018, be received for information.

Carried

4. Delegations

None

5. Matters for Consideration

1. HAC18-012 – Wellington Street Building Evaluations, 136 Wellington Street East, "Railroad Hotel"; 124 Wellington Street East, "Baldwin's Restaurant"

Staff provided a brief overview of the report noting details of the heritage building evaluations. The Committee and staff discussed about the impacts of the proposed Wellington Street grade separation project by Metrolinx, the associated environmental assessment, and its effect on the proposed heritage designation.

Moved by Bob McRoberts Seconded by Martin Paivio

- 1. That Report No. HAC18-012 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
 - (a) That 136 Wellington Street East "Railroad Hotel" and 124 Wellington Street East "Baldwin's Restaurant" be designated under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Carried

6. Informational Items

Extract from Council Meeting of June 12, 2018
Re: Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2018

Moved by James Hoyes Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

1. That the Extract from Council meeting of June 12, 2018, regarding the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2018, be received for information.

Carried

3. Memorandum from Manager, Parks and Fleet Re: Tree Removal Permit Application – 61 Spruce Street

Staff provided an overview of the memorandum. The Committee inquired about the parameters of the Town's liability, and staff provided clarification. The Committee and staff discussed about the condition of the tree, the provisions of removing trees in heritage district, and means of ensuring protection to surrounding trees, if the subject tree is removed.

Moved by Barry Bridgeford Seconded by Ken Turriff

- That the memorandum regarding Tree Removal Permit Application 61 Spruce Street be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
 - (a) That the removal of American Elm tree be approved; and
 - (b) That precautionary measures be taken to ensure the safety and protection of the root system of the adjacent Sugar Maple tree.

Carried as amended

7. New Business

The Chair inquired about the pending list for the Committee, and staff agreed to provide an update.

The Committee inquired about future meetings and the process of decision on future applications to the Committee during the election hiatus, and staff provided a response.

The Committee and staff discussed about the possible impacts of the Metrolinx Wellington Street grade separation project on surrounding properties, details of the project, and inquired about consideration of heritage attributes. Staff noted that Metrolinx have been notified about concerns and comments regarding the project through various Council resolutions.

The Committee inquired about the recruitment of the new Heritage Planner, and staff provided a response.

The Chair requested for update on the tree pruning at 81 Catherine Avenue, and staff agreed to follow up.

The Chair inquired about the status of redevelopment of the David W. Doan House, 32 Wellington Street East, and staff provided a response.

The Vice-Chair inquired on any appeals received with respect to designating various properties on Yonge Street as ratified by Council at their meeting of June 12, 2018, and staff noted that the publication of notices is pending and forthcoming.

The Committee suggested the possibility of rescheduling the September 5, 2018 Heritage Advisory Committee to August 27, 2018, and staff agreed to follow up.

8. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Thom Seconded by Neil Asselin

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Carried

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