

# Town of Aurora Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday, September 5, 2018

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

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

(Vice Chair), Neil Asselin, Barry Bridgeford, James Hoyes, John Kazilis, Bob McRoberts (Honorary Member), Martin

Paivio (arrived 7:06 p.m.), and Ken Turriff

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Development

Services, Adam Robb, Planner, and Linda Bottos,

Council/Committee Secretary

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

Mr. Ramunno introduced the new Planner, Adam Robb, and introductions were made around the table.

# 1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by John Kazilis Seconded by James Hoyes

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, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

### 3. Receipt of the Minutes

Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of July 9, 2018

Moved by Ken Turriff
Seconded by Councillor Thom

That the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of July 9, 2018, be received for information.

**Carried** 

# 4. Delegations

None

#### 5. Matters for Consideration

1. HAC18-013 – Request to Designate Under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*50-100 Bloomington Road West "De La Salle College"
including associated heritage feature "Pine Ridge Trail
(Monk's Walk)"

Staff provided a brief summary of the report. The Committee made inquiries and discussed with staff regarding various aspects of the report and property, including the Cultural Heritage Evaluation Recommendation report and associated Ontario Regulations, significant heritage features and status of the remaining property, heritage protection and possible future development, and zoning. The Committee suggested that the "front garden/courtyard" be specifically included in the proposed Part IV Designation.

# Moved by Bob McRoberts Seconded by Councillor Thom

- 1. That Report No. HAC18-013 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:

- (a) That the building formerly known as "De La Salle College" located at 50-100 Bloomington Road West, which includes the front garden/ courtyard and associated heritage feature "Pine Ridge Trail (Monk's Walk)", be Designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as a property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest; and
- (b) That the Town Clerk be authorized to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate as per requirements of the Act; and
- (c) That the designation by-law be brought before Council for passing if no objections were received within the thirty (30) day objection period as per requirements of the Act.

Carried as amended

#### 2. HAC18-014 – Doors Open Aurora 2018 – Event Summary Report

Staff gave a brief overview of the report and successes of the Doors Open Aurora 2018 event.

# Moved by Councillor Thom Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

- 1. That Report No. HAC18-014 be received; and
- 2. That the Heritage Advisory Committee extend a thank you to the following individuals and groups for their support of Doors Open Aurora 2018:
  - (a) All site owners/operators;
  - (b) All volunteers and site staff;
  - (c) The Auroran newspaper; and
  - (d) The Mayor, Members of Council, and supporting Town staff.

Carried

#### 6. Informational Items

3. Extract from Council Meeting of July 24, 2018

Re: Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2018

Moved by Bob McRoberts Seconded by Martin Paivio

 That the Extract from Council meeting of July 24, 2018, regarding the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2018, be received for information.

Carried

#### 7. New Business

The Committee discussed the benefits of including a local advocate member or representative from the Aurora Historical Society (AHS) in the membership of the Heritage Advisory Committee, and suggested that the terms of reference be revised to include an AHS representative on future Heritage Advisory Committees.

New Business Motion No. 1

# Moved by Neil Asselin Seconded by Barry Bridgeford

- 1. That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council:
  - (a) That staff be directed to provide a report to Council on the inclusion of an Aurora Historical Society-appointed member in the terms of reference for the next Heritage Advisory Committee.

Carried

The Committee and staff discussed the process and options for handling any development and building permit applications during the election period. The Committee expressed its commitment to attend any additional meetings if required, and staff agreed to notify the Committee if necessary.

The Committee inquired about the status of the heritage designation process for the properties on Yonge Street. Staff provided a response regarding public notification, the Conservation Review Board process, and future reporting to Council.

The Committee inquired about the pending list, and staff agreed to circulate a pending list update to the Committee.

The Committee inquired about the obligations of an owner of a vacant, Part IV-designated property, specifically the Readman House on Yonge Street, respecting maintenance of the property and structural integrity of the building. Staff provided a response, referring to the Town's Property Standards By-law and the new Vacant Building Registry By-law, and agreed to follow up with By-law Services and the property owner.

The Chair expressed appreciation to the Vice Chair, Councillor Jeff Thom, and citizen members for their dedication and efforts on the Committee over the past term of Council. The Committee thanked the Councillors for their participation. The Chair also expressed appreciation to staff for their support.

# 8. Adjournment

Moved by James Hoyes Seconded by Neil Asselin

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Carried

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