



MINUTES

Heritage Revitalization Advisory Commission (HRAC)

Tuesday, October 7, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, City Hall

PRESENT: Chair – Marnie Craig; Members - Ann Rogers, Jennifer Robinson, Maureen Martin, Allen McDermid, Tamara Hutchinson; Council Liaison - Councillor Bill Drysdale; Staff Liaison & Recorder - Angela Vincent

REGRETS: Gerry Beltgens; LDHS Member - Bernardien Knol

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

1. AGENDA

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Agenda of October 7, 2014 be approved with the addition of the following 4(a) Informal Signage Discussion, and 6(a) Heritage Week.

2. MINUTES

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Minutes of September 11, 2014 be adopted.

3. COUNCIL REFERRALS/UPDATES

Councillor Drysdale informed the Commission that Council had approved HRAC's recommendation on the shape and location of the fish pavers, and thanked HRAC for providing input.

4. SIGN/FAÇADE APPLICATIONS

a. Informal Signage Discussion

A proposed new business, Stelur Eatery (341 First Avenue), asked the Commission to informally review signage and façade ideas prior to applying for a Façade Development Permit. Commission members responded positively to the ideas proposed.

5. HERITAGE PROJECT UPDATES

a. Aggie Hall Plaque Research

A. Rogers presented a summary of research and photos collected for the Aggie Hall plaque. A. Rogers will work with A. Vincent and a graphic designer to design and produce a plaque.

b. Heritage Building Plaques

No further updates to the Heritage Building Plaque project. Members will meet prior to the next meeting.

c. Heritage 2015 Projects – Budget Resolution

A. Vincent outlined the budget for proposed 2015 projects. Members supported the inclusion of funds for Heritage Week, continuation of the Aggie Hall and Community Heritage Register plaques, and an update to the 1990 Ladysmith Heritage Inventory.

Members also supported using some funding to assist in the update of the Heritage Strategic Plan, potentially facilitated by Heritage BC.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Heritage Week

Heritage Week will be held February 16-22 2015, and the theme is “Main Street: At the Heart of the Community”. Members discussed opportunities such as an event and display. T. Hutchinson will contact the Arts Council, LDBA, and the Chamber of Commerce to determine interest in forming a Heritage Week committee.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

8. UPDATES

a. Heritage BC Conference

M. Martin, A. Rogers and A. Vincent described their experiences at the Heritage BC Conference, held September 2014 in Cloverdale. Some topics covered included the growing role of private initiatives for heritage protection, the link between heritage and sustainability, heritage tourism and use of technology.

9. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 13, 2014 at 5:00 pm – Council Chambers, City Hall. Members discussed the possibility of changing meeting dates to Tuesday evenings. All members will be consulted prior to the next meeting date.

10. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Chair (M. Craig)

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Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)