

HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 7:00pm via Zoom

AGENDA

APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE CO-CHAIR

Committee to appoint an alternate Co-chair for the October 6, 2021 meeting.

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A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Heritage Advisory Committee October 6, 2021

Recommendation that the Heritage Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the agenda items of the October 6, 2021 meeting.

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1-4 1. Heritage Advisory Committee September 1, 2021

Recommendation that the Heritage Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the September 1, 2021 meeting

C. <u>DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS</u>

D. REPORTS

- 1. Co-Chairs' Reports
- 2. Heritage Planner's Report
- 3. Museum Manager's Report
- 4. Heritage Review Panel
- 5. Douglas Day 2021 Planning Committee Report
- 6. Museum Advisory Group Report

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E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. 2021 WORK PROGRAM

1. 2022 HAC Work Plan Discussion

Memo attached.

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Committee Application Process 2022

Members of the Heritage Advisory Committee whose terms are expiring in December 2021 are welcome to re-apply at www.tol.ca/committee. Application deadline is October 22, 2021.

I. **NEXT MEETING**

Date: Wednesday, November 3, 2021

Location: via Zoom **Time**: 7:00pm

J. **TERMINATE**



HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at 7:00pm via Zoom

MINUTES

Present:

Councillor B. Long, Council Co-Chair

T. Annandale, R. Genberg, T. Lightfoot, F. Pepin, and H. Whittell

Staff:

- S. Mikicich, Manager, Heritage Planning
- P. Tulumello, Director, Arts, Culture, and Community Initiatives
- K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE CO-CHAIR

- T. Annandale nominated T. Lightfoot to be the Community Co-Chair for the September 1, 2021 meeting. H. Whittell seconded the nomination.
- T. Lightfoot was appointed as the Community Co-Chair for the September 1, 2021 meeting, by unanimous consent.

Cllr. Long welcomed S. Mikicich, new Manager of Heritage Planning, and round table introductions took place.

A. <u>APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS</u>

1. Heritage Advisory Committee September 1, 2021

Moved by T. Annandale, Seconded by R. Genberg, That the Heritage Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the agenda items of the September 1, 2021 meeting, as amended.

Clerk's Note: Items H.1 and H.2 were added to the agenda.

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

CARRIED

1. Heritage Advisory Committee June 2, 2021

Moved by T. Annandale, Seconded by R. Genberg,

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

That the Heritage Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the June 2, 2021 meeting, as amended.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

D. <u>REPORTS</u>

1. Co-Chairs' Reports

No report.

2. Heritage Planner's Report

No report.

3. Museum Manager's Report

- P. Tulumello reported the following:
 - Site excavation has been completed at the new museum site and work has begun on parkade. The facility is scheduled to be open in October 2022.
 - Volunteers are needed to provide input on the development of new exhibits. J. Watt has been hired as a consultant to lead this project. HAC members are encouraged to participate.
 - The museum will be fully open to the public on September 7, 2021 with regular hours and no pre-registration needed.
 - The current exhibit is "Critical Care: Environmental Stewardship in Langley" which will run until October 3, 2021.
 - Young Canada Works funded two students over the summer and has extended another internship for 20 weeks.
 - Yorkson Watershed Enhancement Society and Langley Environmental Partners Society are hosting an event outside the museum on September 4, 2021.

4. Heritage Review Panel

S. Mikicich noted that two projects will likely be ready for the Panel to review this month, one in Murrayville and one in Fort Langley.

5. Douglas Day 2021 Planning Committee Report

R. Genberg reported that there will be no dinner event held in 2021 due to the uncertainty of Covid. Gift certificates for White Spot will be sent to each pioneer.

D. <u>REPORTS</u>

Discussion ensued about having a video created and available on the Township website that would honour the pioneers, in lieu of the in-person event.

MOTION

Moved by R. Genberg,

Seconded by T. Lightfoot,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommends that TOL staff produce a short video montage and presentation to commemorate Douglas Day, to be posted on the Township website.

CARRIED

6. Museum Advisory Group Report

F. Pepin reported that construction is progressing on the new museum.

E. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

F. 2021 WORK PROGRAM

1. Great Northern Railway Interpretive Project – Next Steps

S. Mikicich reported that he will be meeting with J. Foulkes to discuss the project and possible sites to commemorate. A site tour will be planned prior to the October meeting for any members of the Heritage Advisory Committee who are interested. Potential dates will be forwarded to members.

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. W. H. Berry General Store

The committee discussed the Heritage Review Panel report from the June 2, 2021 Minutes.

2. HAC 2022 Work Plan

The Committee discussed potential work plan items for 2022.

Action: Staff to forward a memo to the committee prior to the October meeting with potential work plan items for review and discussion.

I. <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2021

Location: TBD 7:00pm

J. <u>TERMINATE</u>

Moved by T. Lightfoot, Seconded by F. Pepin, That the meeting terminate at 8:08pm. CARRIED

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MEMORANDUM

TO: HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATE: SEPT 28, 2021

FROM: STEPHEN MIKICICH, MANAGER, FILE NO:

HERITAGE PLANNING

SUBJECT: BACKGROUND NOTES FOR DISCUSSION OF 2022 HAC WORK PLAN

FOR OCTOBER 6, 2020 HAC MEETING - AGENDA ITEM F

Dear HAC Members,

I have put together this background memo to help inform discussion on the balance of the 2021 work plan, the status of the Heritage Strategy, and Committee priorities for 2022 (under agenda item F). During my first month with the Township of Langley, I have been getting up to speed on the various components of the heritage conservation program, and the impressive work undertaken to date. The following is a synopsis of my findings, and a good snapshot of what has been achieved thus far. My understanding of the current status of the 2021 Work Plan is provided on Page 6; and some initial thoughts for the 2022 Work Plan are provided on Page7 (for your further ideas).

Ongoing Work

Typically, HAC has met six to nine times per year. Annual work plans and meeting agendas have included the following items:

- Review of HAC terms of reference (typically every two years)
- Making recommendations to Council on matters related to the identification, preservation, and recognition of community heritage assets
- Supporting heritage activities authorized by Council that contribute to the promotion, appreciation, understanding, and advancement of heritage conservation in the Township
- Recommendations for additions/changes to the Heritage Inventory
- Recommendations for additions/changes to the Community Heritage Register
- Review and approval of Statements of Significance
- Liaison and support to the Douglas Day Committee
- Liaison and input to Langley Centennial Museum's Heritage Advisory Group
- Participation in annual meetings/workshops/conferences hosted by e.g., Heritage BC,
 Vancouver Heritage Foundation, BC Association of Heritage Professionals, etc.
- Other matters referred by Council for Advisory Committee input
- BC Heritage Week celebrations (3rd week in February)
- Implementation of the Heritage Plaque Program (Register recognition)
- Implementation of the Heritage Building Incentive Program
- Preparation of annual work plans and reports to Council

Heritage Review Panel

The Heritage Review Panel is established as a sub-committee of HAC. It provides more technical input on heritage-related development applications, with a focus Heritage Alteration Permits within the Fort Langley and Murrayville Heritage Conservation Areas. The Panel is comprised of three HAC members, and four community representatives (two from Fort Langley and two from Murrayville).

The Panel also provides advice on the Township's Heritage Building Incentive Program (BHIP), including formal review of grant applications. It meets on an as-needed basis, including periodic site visits.

Task Forces

Since 2009, a number of Task Forces have been established to address specific heritage issues or support key initiatives; for example:

- To develop Committee Terms of Reference
- To explore and develop a Heritage Building Recognition Program to promote and recognize heritage conservation and preservation efforts in the Township of Langley
- To consider the need for a Heritage Strategy
- To function as a steering committee for development of the Heritage Strategy
- To explore ways of supporting the long-term retention and ongoing function of the Township's Heritage Halls
- To guide the development of an Historic Context Statement and Thematic Framework

Other "Work Groups" have been convened for: (1) Fraser Highway mile markers (in 2016); and (2) to undertake research on Langley's Rural Heritage, as a basis for exploring heritage issues in rural Langley and investigating ways of providing incentives for historic farms with significant heritage buildings (continuing work).

Heritage Conservation/Protection Tools

HAC has supported the Township's transition to values-based heritage conservation, as evidenced by the:

- preparation of the Heritage Strategy;
- adoption of Parks Canada's Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada:
- development of the Heritage Context Statement and Thematic Framework; and
- the use of Statements of Significance for interpreting heritage value and characterdefining elements of recognized heritage resources.

HAC members have also gained practical experience with a range of tools for heritage review, recognition, and protection (temporary and ongoing) – e.g., Heritage Inventory, Community Heritage Register, Heritage Covenant, Heritage Conservation Area, Heritage Alteration Permit, Municipal Heritage Designation, etc.

Major Projects and Other Initiatives (2009-2020)

The Township's major initiatives in heritage conservation include:

- Establishment of the Murrayville Heritage Conservation Area and HAP Guidelines
- Heritage Building Incentive Program (conservation grants)
- Heritage Strategy (endorsed by Council May 2012)
- Official Community Plan (OCP) update to include goals and objectives for heritage conservation (2012)
- Community Heritage Register Recognition Program
 - Program approved in 2010 (for heritage resources formally recognized for their heritage value via listing on the Community Heritage Register)
 - The first three plaques were presented during BC Heritage Week in 2011 (establishing an annual tradition)
 - o Approximately 18 more plaques presented through 2020
- Archaeological Mapping Project
- Archaeological Overview Assessment
- Review and approval of Statements of Significance
- Country Roads Program
- Historic Context Statement and Thematic Framework
- Digital Mapping of Langley's History
- "Our Shared History" project
- Exploration of "protection instruments" to address long-term maintenance and viability of heritage sites – including Heritage Maintenance Standards Bylaw
- Updating the Community Heritage Register following Council's endorsement of the Historic Context Statement and Thematic Framework
- Gap analysis to determine what themes were either missing or under-represented on the Register
- Updated values-based evaluation criteria for additions to the Register
- Updating existing SOSs to ensure measurable community significance and comprehensive representation of the themes identified in the Thematic Framework
- Public launch of the Community Heritage Register web application: "Langley's Historic Places" – which coincided with Heritage Week 2019

Commemorative and Interpretive Programs

- HAC has provided input and direction on various commemorative and interpretive projects to support public information and education about Langley's heritage resources, including:
 - An interpretive installation on the history of Willoughby in a new development project at 83rd Ave and 208 St
 - Interpretive materials on the history of rail transportation in Langley for the BCER Langley Substation historic site
 - Interpretive opportunities for the Hudson's Bay Company farming operations in Langley (1827-1900) – with emphasis on legacy of HBC Milner Farm and options for interpretive signage
 - Early transportation (BCER and Langley Substation; Old Yale Road; Telegraph Trail/Collins Overland Telegraph Line; CNR Langley Station; historic Fraser Valley markers + restoration of Marker 28) which was a key theme during 2015

Heritage Resources

Much of HAC's work has involved the conservation and/or commemoration of individual heritage sites and areas within the Township, which have included input on the following:

- Murrayville Heritage Conservation Area
- Commemorative site for Captain Hector Jackson (WWI soldier)
- Retention of three heritage buildings (part of Quadra Homes townhouse project) in Willoughby
- Willoughby Community Hall (restoration and upgrading)
- Fort Langley Community Hall (national designation)
- Milner Church (commemorative cairn)
- Roderick Cummings Residence (five corners, Murrayville)
- Dixon Barn (Milner)Matheson Residence (Willoughby)
- Hobgen Residence (Fort Langley)
- James Shortreed Residence (Aldergrove)
- Coronation Block (Fort Langley)
- Murrayville Garage (Murrayville)
- Noel Booth Store and Gas Station (Brookswood)
- German Residence (Milner)

- ACT Stock Farm
- Thomas Bird Parry-Evans Residence (Willoughby)
- HBC Farm
- Glen Valley Community Hall
- Hope Carriage House (Fort Langley)
- Hassall Residence (Glen Valley Regional Park)
- Telegraph Trail
- Aldergrove Elementary School
- Fraser Highway Mile Markers
- Cenotaph at Odd Fellows' Cemetery (Murrayville)
- Big Leaf Maples (Fort Langley)
- Pattenden Residence (Fort Langley)
- Coghlan Hall (Aldergrove)
- Murrayville Elementary School (Murrayville)
- Fort Langley Cemetery
- Hog Alley Road Markers (Milner)
- Murrayville Pump House (Murrayville)

Other Work

- Provision of technical support to property owners in assessing the condition and conservation options for historic properties
- Receiving periodic updates from Parks Canada and Metro Vancouver on the status of Langley's heritage within these regional and federal government jurisdictions
- Review of 'as-found' reports and related documents pertaining to individual heritage resources
- Review of municipal tax incentive programs in BC that address both rural and urban buildings
- Developing online information on heritage resources
- Contributing to a provincial inventory of War Monuments
- Identifying a site for nomination to the Province's new stop-of-historic-interest sign campaign
- Input, review and endorsement of updated Statements of Significance
- Input to National Trust on issues facing "rural heritage" for upcoming research project
- Recommendations for:
 - taking the Township's Heritage Inventory online (completed October 2020) via digital mapping of inventoried sites within the Geosource online mapping system; and
 - developing online access to the Township's Heritage Conservation Program and the Community Heritage Register

- Corresponding with the Ministry of Agriculture on new policy for second residences and impacts of Bill 52 on heritage residences within the ALR
- Creating a new "Inventory" layer on Langley's Historic Places web app
- Community Engagement on specific heritage programs and initiatives

Heritage Strategy

The Heritage Strategy was endorsed by Council in May 2012 and, since that time, has guided the development and implementation of the Township's heritage conservation program, including annual HAC work plans.

"This Strategy proposes a community vision for heritage resource management in the Township of Langley for the next ten years (2012-2022). It answers key questions about the existing heritage management situation, defines key directions for consideration, and proposes a framework for implementation. It provides effective, sustainable, and financially realistic strategic directions that will enhance the long-term viability of heritage resources in the Township, as it aligns with the Township's broader goals of economic, environmental and cultural sustainability."

The Strategy is founded on <u>nine key goals</u> (see below) and 39 specific implementation actions over a 10-year period (through 2022):

- 1. Provide Municipal Leadership in Heritage Conservation
- 2. Promote Heritage Conservation as a Sustainability Activity
- 3. Link Heritage Conservation and Economic Development
- 4. Celebrate Langley's Unique Heritage
- 5. Protect Langley's Rural Lands
- Foster Community Partnerships
- 7. Updated Heritage Policies in an Integrated Planning Framework
- 8. Make Heritage Information Accessible
- 9. Pursue Funding Opportunities to Advance Heritage Program Components

HAC Work Plan

Balance of 2021 $\sqrt{\ }$ = completed or ongoing each year $\boxed{\ }$ = to be addressed

#	Project / Tasks	Current Status
1	 Langley's Rural Heritage (Phase 1) Continue the work related to heritage building retention and adaptive re-use in Langley's rural areas, including the need for possible incentives for historic farms with significant heritage buildings The work of Phase 1 will include the compilation of examples (in a case study format) of significant rural heritage building that have been retained in Canadian or US jurisdictions, and the incentive programs, alliances, and partnerships that contributed to their preservation A committee work group was established during 2020 to undertake this research 	?
2	Explore New Directions in Heritage Conservation - Participate in a presentation/workshop on Intangible Cultural Heritage	~
3	Great Northern Railway (GNR) - Develop and interpretive project to recognize the GNR that spanned south Langley and Aldergrove in the early 20 th century	?
4	Consider the Need for a Local Salvage Network - Receive a presentation from the construction salvage industry to determine whether a salvage 'network' could assist local builders, craftsmen, and heritage building owners in re-using building elements or materials from heritage buildings that are not to be retained	?
5	Heritage Building Incentive Program - Review annual applications to the Heritage Building Incentive Program for three application cycles through the Heritage Review Panel Subcommittee	√ 2 of 3 cycles completed Issue call for applications in October
6	Heritage Register Recognition Program - Recognize new additions to the Heritage Register that have not received a recognition plaque to date	V
7	 Township's Heritage Sites Continue to update the Township's Heritage Inventory as an information base for further development of the Community Heritage Register. Continue to provide recommendations to the Community Heritage Register providing input on associated Statements of Significance for sites that become "registered". 	√
8	Heritage Sites and Areas Impacted by Development - Provide timely input as requested on heritage resources, sites facing transition, and historic areas potentially impacted by development through the Heritage Review Panel	√

#	Project / Tasks	Current Status
9	Committee Liaison to Douglas Day Planning Committee	$\sqrt{}$
	 Maintain liaison to Douglas Day Planning Committee by appointing a HAC Liaison to the event planning committee. The HAC will receive regular reports from the Committee Liaison and will participate in the annual November event. 	
10	Committee Liaison to Museum Advisory Group	\checkmark
	 Maintain liaison with the Langley Centennial Museum by appointing a HAC Liaison to the Museum Advisory Group. The HAC will receive regular reports from the Committee Liaison on initiatives of interest to the Committee. 	
11	Consider or Inquire Into Matters as Requested by Council	$\sqrt{}$
	 Respond to ongoing referrals from Council as they arise. 	

Potential Priorities and Work Items for 2022 (to be determined)

- Langley's rural heritage
- GNR interpretive project (continuation)
- Heritage Strategy (2012-2022) time for review and update?
- Emerging heritage issues and opportunities
- Langley's 150th anniversary in 2023
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