

Township of  
**Langley**



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## HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 7:00pm  
Salmon River Committee Room  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

### MINUTES

#### **Present:**

Councillor B. Long, Council Co-Chair  
Councillor P. Arnason, Alternate Council Co-Chair  
T. Annandale, Community Co-Chair

C. Boughen, G. Doubleday, A. Johnson, T. Lightfoot, L. McPhee-Brown, F. Pepin, and  
H. Whittell

#### **Staff:**

J. Chenatte, Arts and Heritage Supervisor  
E. Horricks, Heritage Planner  
K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

#### **A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS**

##### **1. Heritage Advisory Committee December 6, 2017**

Moved by G. Doubleday,  
Seconded by T. Lightfoot,  
That the Heritage Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the  
agenda items of the December 6, 2017 meeting.  
**CARRIED**

#### **B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

##### **1. Heritage Advisory Committee November 1, 2017**

Moved by G. Doubleday,  
Seconded by H. Whittell,  
That the Heritage Advisory Committee adopt the Minutes of the November 1,  
2017 meeting.  
**CARRIED**

#### **C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

## **D. REPORTS**

### **1. Co-Chairs' Reports**

Councillor Long congratulated those members who were re-appointed to the committee, and noted that both Councillor Arnason and himself will continue as Councillor Co-Chairs for the Committee in 2018.

T. Annandale noted a recent Globe and Mail article of heritage interest regarding Arthur Erickson's past residence in Vancouver. After he passed away several years ago, a foundation was established in 2013 to preserve his place of residence from demolition. The site, which includes a modest cottage style bungalow on Vancouver's west side, is primarily developed as a west coast modern garden. Within the current real estate market the lot has increased so much in value that the foundation is faced with seeking ways of retaining the site through preservation options such as the sale of the air rights to the property. Many of the local civic buildings designed by Erickson during his lifetime have already received heritage status from the City of Vancouver.

### **2. Heritage Planner's Report**

In follow-up to an item discussed in previous meetings, E. Horricks reported that the House of Commons Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development recommended not to proceed with Bill C-323. Instead, the Committee tabled a report that may be broader in scope than the initial bill entitled "Preserving Canada's Heritage: The Foundation for Tomorrow", based on its hearings regarding the state of historic places in Canada. The report emphasizes:

- Intergovernmental cooperation for historic/heritage sites;
- The creation of legal protection for historic/heritage sites;
- Financial incentives for restoration and preservation for both non-commercial and commercial buildings;
- Fiscal incentives for restoration and preservation expenses; and
- The adaptation of building codes for the conservation of historic buildings.

Town hall teleconferences hosted by the National Trust are taking place this week with MP John Aldag who led the Committee's study. The last one is on December 7 for those interested in listening in and asking questions. The report will be included in the committee's January meeting package for information.

### **3. Museum Manager's Report**

J. Chenatte reported the following:

- This year saw the creation of the Arts, Culture, and Community Initiatives Division, and the museum generated more revenue and delivered more programs than any other year in the museum's history.
- Next year is the museum's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary and a comprehensive campaign is being planned to celebrate this milestone.

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- In 2017, the museum was supported by 3500 volunteer hours; Canada Day attracted twenty thousand visitors, and throughout the year, the museum held 5 special events, 1 parade, 10 summer camps, and 525 individual school and 127 public programs. Gift shop revenue also increased in 2017 by 90%.
- The Fall Performance Series filled the Chief Sessop Theatre and raised money for Langley Literacy and the Langley Food Bank, and the Volunteer Christmas Luncheon raised \$1250 for the Langley Hospice.
- The museum is undertaking a facility assessment with the Rick Hansen Facility Assessment group in an effort to seek funding for accessibility upgrades to the building.
- The Philip Jackman book is near completion, and a new exhibit, "Behind the Lines: Contemporary Syrian Art" featuring the work of nineteen Syrian Refugee Artists, has been secured for June to September of 2018, which includes the United Nations International Day of the Refugee.

**4. Heritage Review Panel**

T. Annandale reported that the Panel met to provide comment on the Murrayville School Development proposed for the original school site at 21812 – 48 Avenue. He noted that the proposal is in the Murrayville Heritage Conservation Area, and includes the retention, restoration and rehabilitation of the historic portion of the schoolhouse to accommodate six residential units within a low-density townhouse development comprised of forty-eight one and two storey infill duplexes and fourplexes.

As detailed in the Conservation Plan presented at the last meeting, the historic portion of the school is to be provided new foundations at the northeast corner of the site adjacent to the heritage precinct in Denny Ross Park. Changes that have occurred to the original structure over time, such as the later added aluminum windows will be replaced with traditional double-hung wood windows in the same profile, size and location on all three levels. The elevation of the long side of the school shows the proposed window patterning consistent with the historic photos shown in the Conservation Plan. The historic stair railings and balustrades for the original front verandah will be re-created to their traditional heights based on archival images and supplemented with a pipe railings (or alternatively glazing) to achieve code standards. Variations to the historic building include two shed dormers for each of the north and south sides of the roof following the strict symmetry of the schoolhouse. Glazing has also been added to each gable end to provide light into the upper floor of the main level units. The exterior colour palette for the project was shared with the committee.

The adjacent townhomes reflect aspects of the form and character of the school, but are lower in scale than the schoolhouse to allow the school to remain the most prominent building on the site. The historic Belmont Oak Trees, a prominent landscape feature fronting the site along 48 Avenue, are also proposed for retention as part of this development. An interpretive plaza that addresses the history of the school, and the historic residences in the park is proposed for the junction of Old Yale Road and 48 Avenue that is currently closed off.

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Underground parking for the six school units will be provided under the building, and resident and visitor parking for the townhouses is integrated into the units and located throughout the site.

He noted in summary that the proposal demonstrates a sensitive approach to preservation and provides an excellent example of how historic school buildings of this nature can be re-purposed for continued use within the community. The Panel recommended support for the proposed development.

T. Annandale further reported that the Panel provided comment on a Heritage Alteration Permit and subdivision proposal for 21393 Old Yale Road within the Murrayville Heritage Conservation Area. The owners of the lot have applied for a permit to subdivide the property into two equal lots to provide for two infill homes fronting Old Yale Road. Although both lots meet the minimum lot size for the site's zoning, the owners are requesting a variance of the minimum lot frontage from 22 meters to 18.3 meters. Properties along Old Yale Road within the greater vicinity vary from 16 meters to 70 meters and wider for agricultural properties.

The designs for the proposed infill homes reflect a traditional architectural styling with gable roofs and dormers, in a long narrow building footprint consistent with historic houses in the area. Both houses are designed for family living and have front porches characteristic of many early homes in Murrayville. The front setbacks from Old Yale Road to each home is staggered to differentiate one from the other. Parking access is from the rear land, which additionally assists in retaining a more traditional appearance of the homes on Old Yale Road that have no parking garages at the front. The proposed colour palette shows one house as having blue-grey siding, white shutters and trim and coloured doors, while the second is off-white with white trim, and black framed windows and doors. Proposed landscaping is to be traditional in keeping with a country garden, with an appropriate choice of shrubs.

The panel expressed support for the proposed infill solution that addresses the character guidelines for the area.

### **MOTION**

Moved by C. Boughen,

Seconded by L. McPhee- Brown,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee supports the recommendations of the Heritage Review Panel for positive endorsement of the proposed Murrayville School development at 21812 48 Avenue, and the proposed subdivision and infill of 21393 Old Yale Road.

### **CARRIED**

## **5. Douglas Day 2017 Planning Committee Report**

A. Johnson reported that the Douglas Day was a success and that the committee did a fantastic job organizing the event. She indicated that she anticipates changes to the numbers of pioneers eligible to attend in future, based on the changing demographics of Langley's aging population.

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Councillor Long added that Douglas Day (November 19) falls on a Monday in 2018, so the start time for the Council meeting that day may need to be adjusted.

**6. Museum Advisory Group Report**

F. Pepin reported that the museum had a good year and met with any challenges that arose.

J. Chenatte expressed appreciation to the Langley Heritage Society for their support in 2017.

**E. CORRESPONDENCE**

**F. 2017 WORK PROGRAM**

**1. Our Shared History Bookmark**

At the request of the committee, a bookmark has been created to promote Langley's Historic Context Statement and Thematic Framework. Copies of the sample bookmarks were provided on table for approval. The Committee expressed their unanimous support for the overall design.

The bookmarks will be printed and distributed to local libraries, customer service counters etc. and be provided to the museum for their use in promoting the 2018 Heritage Fair within local schools.

**2. HAC 2017 Annual Report**

The 2017 Annual Report was presented for the committee's approval.

T. Annandale noted several highlights from the committee's work plan, adding that the committee achieved a significant amount of work during 2017.

**MOTION**

Moved by G. Doubleday,

Seconded by H. Whittell,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee receive and endorse the HAC 2017 Annual Report and ask staff to forward to Council.

**CARRIED**

**G. COUNCIL REFERRALS**

**H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**1. Heritage Week, “Heritage Stands the Test of Time”, February 19-25, 2018**

Provided in package for information.

**2. World Heritage Day, April 18, 2018**

Provided in package for information.

**3. Heritage BC Conference, “Rich Heritage: Telling our Stories”,  
New Westminster, May 10-12, 2018**

Provided in package for information.

**N. NEXT MEETING**

**Date:** Wednesday, January 3, 2018  
**Location:** Salmon River Committee Room  
**Time:** 7:00pm

**O. TERMINATE**

Moved by G. Doubleday,  
That the meeting terminate at 8:17pm.  
**CARRIED**

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

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Community Representative Co-Chair

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Council Representative Co-Chair



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## SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Monday, December 18, 2017 at 6:35pm  
Salmon River Committee Room  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

### MINUTES

#### **Present:**

Councillor A. Quaale (Co-Chair)  
Councillor C. Fox (Alternate Co-Chair)  
K. Reddington (Co-Chair)

S. Baker, C. Kaliciak, J. Megahy, C. Munnaalall, and B. Stack

#### **Staff:**

P. Ward, Strategic/Social Planner  
K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

#### **A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS**

##### **1. Seniors Advisory Committee – December 18, 2017**

The agenda of the December 18, 2017 meeting was approved by unanimous consent.

#### **B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

##### **1. Seniors Advisory Committee – November 15, 2017**

The Minutes of the November 15, 2017 meeting were adopted by unanimous consent.

#### **C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **D. REPORTS**

##### **1. Co-Chair's Reports**

K. Reddington facilitated a discussion on the role of the Seniors Advisory Committee (SAC) with regards to the preparation of the Social Sustainability Strategy. Several committee members raised a concern that the SAC may lose its focus on seniors' issues.

**D. REPORTS**

Councillor Quaale noted that the Social Sustainability Strategy will consider many issues that impact seniors, such as housing and health and wellness. The SAC could help provide an age-friendly lens to the Strategy.

P. Ward noted that the Terms of Reference for the Social Sustainability Strategy state that all Township Advisory Committees will be advised of and invited to participate in the process. The Terms of Reference further state that the SAC will help establish a Social Sustainability Task Force (SSTF) to provide guidance and input for the Strategy. As the SSTF is non-voting, there will not be any recommendations or reports from the SSTF that will require the SAC's approval.

Discussion ensued and it was noted that the establishment of the SSTF would not dominate the SAC's 2018 work plan. The committee agreed to take on the establishment of the SSTF and will allocate time at the January and February 2018 meetings to this task.

**E. CORRESPONDENCE**

**F. WORK PROGRAM**

**1. 2017 Annual Report**

The Advisory Committee reviewed the 2017 Annual Report. The following items were discussed as possible 2018 work plan items:

- Dementia
- Housing
- Isolation
- Other emerging issues and Council referrals

Preliminarily, the committee decided to focus on:

- The Social Sustainability Task Force; and
- The need to raise awareness and take action against seniors' isolation and dementia.

The 2018 work plan will be further discussed at the January meeting.

**MOTION**

Moved by B. Stack,

Seconded by C. Kaliciak,

That the Seniors Advisory Committee endorse the 2017 Annual Report, as amended, and ask staff to forward it to Council.

**CARRIED**



**G. COUNCIL REFERRALS**

**H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**1. Social Sustainability Task Force**

P. Ward presented the draft Expression of Interest communications and form for the Social Sustainability Task Force (SSTF) for the committee's review. He noted that communications regarding the SSTF expression of interest process would begin in the New Year with the goal of having the SSTF established by the SAC in February.

**Action:** P. Ward to send link to "Expression of Interest" forms for SAC members to distribute through their networks.

**2. Thank you**

The committee thanked the Co-Chairs for their leadership and guidance this year.

**I. NEXT MEETING**

**Date:** January 17, 2018  
**Location:** Salmon River Committee Room  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue  
**Time:** 7:00 pm

**J. TERMINATE**

The meeting terminated at 8:56pm.

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

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Community Representative Co-Chair

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Council Representative Co-Chair