

**CITY OF VICTORIA
HERITAGE ADVISORY PANEL
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 12, 2020**

Present: Pamela Madoff, Chair
Julie Bréhéret
Doug Campbell
Katie Cummer
Graham Walker
Shari Khadem
Steve Barber

Absent: Lisa MacIntosh, Hal Kalman

Staff: John O'Reilly, Senior Heritage Planner
Alison Meyer, Assistant Director, Development Services
Andrea Walker Collins, Planning Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:05pm.

1. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Shari Khadem

Seconded by Katie Cummer

Carried Unanimously

2. Adoption of the Minutes of the March 10, 2020 Meeting

Moved by Doug Campbell

Seconded by Shari Khadem

Carried Unanimously

3. Announcements

John O'Reilly:

- Introduction of Andrea Walker Collins, the new Planning Secretary providing administrative support to the Heritage Advisory Panel (HAPI).
- Victoria High School is moving forward with their seismic upgrade as well as constructing an addition. City staff have met with the applicant. As a courtesy the applicant would like to present to the HAPI. The building is on the Heritage Registry, but is not designated. No permits are required for the alterations to the building. There will be an opportunity for Panel members to tour the building in the coming weeks.
- The Heritage-Designated house at 223 Robert Street was reported by local media regarding a fire. The owner and their insurance provider wish to restore the building. Early indications are that there is extensive damage, but it could be restored. A full report is not yet available.

- The current Panel members' terms will expire at the end of June. Any members who are serving on their third term will not be able to apply at this time. An open call for applicants is now available until May 27th.

Steve Barber joined the meeting at 12:22pm.

**4. 404 Henry Street
Heritage Designation Application No. 00189**

John O'Reilly provided an introduction to the application.

Motion

That Council approve the designation of the property located at 404 Henry Street, pursuant to Section 611 of the Local Government Act, as a Municipal Heritage Site, and that first and second reading of the Heritage Designation Bylaw be considered by Council and a Public Hearing date be set.

Moved by Doug Campbell

Seconded by Shari Khadem

Comments:

- Doug Campbell said the site is beautiful both inside and outside of the building structure, and that he believes the site is deserving of a designation.
- Shari Khadem said the building is significant because of its uniqueness.
- Steve Barber noted that the landscaping should be included in the Statement of Significance.
- Pamela Madoff expressed her support for the application and said that this is an important historical architect in the community. Would like the Statement of Significance to include that the site determined the specific design of the building.

Carried unanimously

**5. 202 Raynor Avenue
Heritage Alterations with Variance Permit Application No. 00021**

John O'Reilly provided an introduction to the application.

Comments and Questions:

- What will be the nature of the design review of the new house to ensure some degree of compatibility to the heritage house?
 - John O'Reilly responded that the review will be based on the local area plan and does not believe there is a precedent for the design to reference the Queen Anne Design, as the neighbourhood is not consistently referencing this design.
- Has there has been any feedback from the neighbours regarding the subdivision of the property?

- John O'Reilly responded that the Planner who is overseeing the Rezoning application would need to respond to that question.
- Pamela Madoff noted that Rezoning applications require an extensive process of reaching out to the community for feedback.
- Doug Campbell commented that he supports the desire to increase density as long as the character of the neighbourhood is maintained. He expressed dissatisfaction in lost green space for the existing house. He would prefer a new, modern building that is reflecting the nature of the district. He noted general support for the proposal.
- Steve Barber agrees with Doug Campbell's statement and says that he has no objection to a new subdivision, but that the design should be subjected to a design review to ensure compatibility with the heritage house.

Motion

That the Heritage Advisory Panel recommend to Council that Heritage Alteration Permit with a Variance Application No. 00021 for 202 Raynor Street be approved as presented.

Moved by Pamela Madoff

Seconded by Doug Campbell

Defeated unanimously

Motion

That the Heritage Advisory Panel recommend to Council that Heritage Alteration Permit with a Variance Application No. 00021 for 202 Raynor Street be approved with the following changes:

- For further consideration be given to the compatibility of the design with the historic nature of the heritage house and neighbourhood.

Moved by Steve Campbell

Seconded by Katie Cummer

Carried unanimously

Adjournment: 1:37 pm

Motioned by Graham Walker
Seconded by Katie Cummer