

## 9. Robert Street Heritage Conservation Area Plan

*Shari Khadem recused herself from the remainder of the meeting.*

Panel Discussion and Comments

- Are the homeowners or building owners all on board with this initiative? The ratio of support was around 75%; the citizen lead policy didn't require 100% support.
- Are there other initiatives like this one currently underway? Yes, we have a nomination for Lewis Street and South Turner Street as well.
- Can you explain why the two houses built in 1955 are being excluded? These houses were not part of either era of significance from the street and did not have the same story. They have rudimentary designs with minimal detailing. Therefore, we chose to exclude these. Looking at them, they are not as pleasing to the eye.
- Design guidelines are a tricky thing and I think there is a happy medium in this report, excellent wording, and descriptive guidelines. Appreciation for the examples given on page 24 & 25. I agree these would be appropriate in the neighbourhood. There could be room for a bit more diversity in these examples. Would like to see an example of something a bit more modest and less expensive. Appreciation for the historical background that was given in the report.
- Perhaps a memorial garden or something to pay homage to indigenous history. There are some burial grounds around which we avoided speaking to in the presentation because of the sensitivity of such sites, but we will look at something moving forward. Marine tours and how to tell that story without drawing attention and how to do it in the best most appropriate way.
- Recommend including images of new multi-family homes that could fit with the district, but have compatible heritage character, and including images of more affordable looking character homes.

**Option One**

That the Heritage Advisory Panel recommends:

1. That Council approve the designation of the portion of Robert Street shown in the draft Robert Street Heritage Conservation Area Guidelines Document as a Heritage Conservation Area, pursuant to Section 614 of the *Local Government Act*, and
2. That Council approve the draft Robert Street Heritage Conservation Area Guidelines as presented.

**Moved** by Steve Barber

**Seconded** by Helen Edwards

**Carried** (unanimously)

*Motion to adjourn: Steve Barber*

*Seconded: Jim Kerr Adjournment: (Unanimous)*

*Adjourned at 2:00pm*