

# MEETING NOTES

## POLICY AND DESIGN WORKING GROUP

Monday August 17, 2020

10:00 am

City of Hamilton Web Ex Virtual Meeting

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Attendees: A. Denham- Robinson, L. Lunsted, R. McKee, W. Rosart  
Regrets: K.Stacey C. Dimitry, C. Priamo, B. Janssen (written comments provided)  
Also Present: D. Addington,

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### THE POLICY AND DESIGN WORKING GROUP NOTES FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE HAMILTON MUNICIPAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE WITH RESPECT TO:

**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

none

**(c) REVIEW OF PAST MEETING NOTES**

**July 13, 2020:**

Notes approved (McKee/Denham-Robinson)

**(d) C.H.I.A. – 1 property**

**1) 179-189 Catharine Street North, Hamilton**

A project overview presentation was given by David Addington (City of Hamilton) regarding these properties. Questions from the Policy & Design Working Group dealt with:

- Demolition of 179-183 Catharine Street including:
  - o An empty lot at 179 Catharine Street North
  - o a one storey residential building at 181 Catharine Street North
  - o a one storey garage and a one-and- a half storey former autobody shop at 183 Catharine Street North
- Retention of 187-189 Catharine Street (Inventoried), including:
  - o a one-and-a-half storey duplex, pre-confederation residential building

- Working Group Members noted the following:
  - o B.Jansen commented that he generally agrees with assessment and proposed works, but questioned if more analysis is required for the properties located at 179-181 Catharine St. N.
  - o Proposed new construction complements the heritage of neighbouring properties – red brick, window configuration, set back of upper floor, etc.
  - o The design should incorporate as much greenspace as possible since development will intensify the site.
  - o At the site plan stage we should ask for any conservation plans, which should also include the interior.
  - o A central driveway shown on site plan provides access to an underground parking garage for units within the proposed new construction (Block A, B and C).
  - o The project requires an Official Plan amendment. The process will include a public meeting – The Beasley Neighbourhood Association will have the opportunity to comment.

**Recommendations regarding the CHIA for 179-189 Catharine St. N., Hamilton:**

The Policy and Design Working Group are generally satisfied with the recommendations with the following provisos:

- The listed property known as 187-189 Catharine St. N be forwarded to the Inventory & Research Working Group for review for addition to the Register; and,
- That Heritage Planning Staff request more analysis for the properties at 179-183 Catharine Street North.

**(e) OTHER BUSINESS**

Regarding a question from R. McKee at the previous meeting regarding windows at 66 King St. E., David Addington advised that applicant confirmed that the addition to 64 King St. E. is not expected to cover up the windows and that the windows are against the fire code as it should be a solid fire wall. Also, the new windows of 62-64 King St. E. will not be a large single pane but have been changed to look like double hung windows.

**(f) NEW BUSINESS**

**1) Century Manor**

– Province is in the process of rezoning the property. R.McKee commented that there is Social media concern of demolition. The building is designated under City of Hamilton, but it is Crown Land. Another break-in has occurred. R.McKee suggested that this be raised at the August HMHC and added to the watch list.

## **2) Plaquing Policy**

– R.McKee requested an amendment to the current Plaquing Policy. The previous committee has been disbanded and responsibility assigned to Culture & Tourism. Heritage Planning Staff are not currently involved in heritage plaquing. R. McKee suggested that the Education Working Group can advise on which plaques could be erected but currently cannot advise on the wording. This would require an amendment to their mandate.

A.Denham-Robinson noted that a recommendation from the Education Working Group has asked for Christopher Redford (Culture) to present at HMHC. (Sept. or Oct.) Christopher to set an available date. R.McKee noted that 91 John street plaque has still not been replaced.

## **(g) ADJOURNMENT**

The Policy & Design Working Group Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

**Next meeting date:** To be determined