

# **MINUTES OF THE HAMILTON HERITAGE PERMIT REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, June 21, 2022**

**Present:** Melissa Alexander, Karen Burke, Graham Carroll, Diane Dent, Charles Dimitry (Chair), Andy MacLaren, Carol Priamo, Stefan Spolnik, Steve Wiegand

**Attending Staff:** Ken Coit, James Croft, Stacey Kursikowski, Chloe Richer

**Absent with Regrets:** Tim Ritchie (Vice Chair)

Meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Charles Dimitry, at 5:00pm

## **1) Approval of Agenda:**

(Burke/MacLaren)

That the Agenda for June 21, 2022 be approved as presented.

## **2) Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings:**

(Carroll/Spolnik)

That the Minutes of May 17, 2022 be approved as presented.

### 3) Heritage Permit Applications

#### a. **HP2022-014: 64 James Street South, Hamilton (Part IV)**

- Scope of work:
  - Restoration of the portico including:
    - Restoration of the original wood material in place;
    - Exact replication in dimensions, proportion, shape and curves of wood pieces that are damaged or rotted.
- Reason for work:
  - To repair the damaged portico.

Kathy Stacey of KSA Architectural Solutions Inc. spoke to the Sub-Committee on behalf of the church.

The Sub-Committee considered the application and together with input from the applicant and advice from staff, passed the following motion:

(MacLaren/Carroll)

That the Heritage Permit Review Sub-Committee advises that Heritage Permit application HP2022-014 be consented to, subject to the following conditions:

a) Any minor changes to the plans and elevations following approval shall be submitted, to the satisfaction and approval of the Director of Planning and Chief Planner, prior to submission as part of any application for a Building Permit and / or the commencement of any alterations; and,

b) Implementation of the alteration, in accordance with this approval, shall be completed no later than June 30, 2024. If the alteration is not completed by June 30, 2024, then this approval expires as of that date and no alterations shall be undertaken without a new approval issued by the City of Hamilton.

**b. HP2021-004: 45 Main Street East, Hamilton (Part IV)**

- Scope of work:
  - Interior security upgrades including new surveillance equipment that will interface with various heritage elements;
  - New exterior entrance sign reading "Public Entrance / Entrée Publique", to be located the left of the new public entrance on Main Street East.
  
- Reason for work:
  - Interior security upgrades and exterior wayfinding.

This application was originally conditionally approved in March 2021, considered again to reflect new information during the Heritage Permit Review Sub-Committee meeting on May 17, 2022 and deferred at that meeting to allow a site visit by four members of the Sub-Committee.

Mehmood Shah of Colliers Project Leaders, Lynne Robinson and John Sulit of BDA Inc., Tim Finch of a+Link Architecture and Ben Huntley of ERA Architects Inc., agents for the property owners, spoke to the Sub-Committee at the permit review on June 21, 2022.

The Sub-Committee considered the revised submission materials, including the Heritage Report (updated on June 8, 2022) prepared by ERA Architects Inc., and together with input from the applicant and advice from staff, passed the following motion:

(Carroll/Dent)

That the Heritage Permit Review Sub-Committee recommends staff not clear the conditions in the original Heritage Permit application and further engage the applicant to consider other potential entry locations to the building and alternative designs with less irreversible damage to the key heritage features at 45 Main Street East, Hamilton.

**c. HP2022-013: 56 York Boulevard (NOID- Bill 231)**

- Scope of work:
  - Install security cameras on exterior façade and inside of building. 6 cameras in total, (1) main entrance and (1) courtyard (indicated with red dots), as well as 4 cameras strategically placed internally at crucial points of entry at 56 York Boulevard, Hamilton.
  
- Reason for work:
  - Security measures

Rumaila Soin of TAS, owner of the property, spoke to the Sub-Committee at the permit review.

The Sub-Committee considered the application and together with input from the applicant and advice from staff, passed the following motion:

(Dent/Burke)

That the Heritage Permit Review Sub-Committee advises that Heritage Permit application HP2022-013 be consented to, subject to the following conditions:

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**d. HP2022-011: 24 Main Street West, Hamilton (Part IV)**

- Scope of work:
  - The addition of trusswork and fixtures in the ceiling to support flying speaker arrays, a digital projection screen, and stage lighting;
  - The addition of a structural glass railing behind the mezzanine railing to bring occupant safety for those in seating directly behind the railing to the current specifications of the OBC; and,
  - The addition of an elevator in the NE addition with access to the auditorium through an opening in the exterior wall into the NE stairwell landing.
  
- Reason for work:
  - To allow for the revitalization of the church for contemporary worship and future music/event space;
  - Alterations required to make the church code compliant (Building Code and Fire Code), ensuring Health and Safety of its occupants and adding support services which would help engage with the community; and,
  - Elevator is proposed to address accessibility in the church.

Reverend Dr. Ian Sloan of New Vision United Church and Kanika Kaushal of mcCallum Sather, agents for the New Vision United Church, spoke to the Sub-Committee at the permit review.

The Sub-Committee considered the application and together with input from the applicant and advice from staff, passed the following motion:

(Carroll/Dent)

That the Heritage Permit Review Sub-Committee advises that Heritage Permit application HP2022-011 be consented to, subject to the following conditions:

- a) Any minor changes to the plans and elevations following approval shall be submitted, to the satisfaction and approval of the Director of Planning and Chief Planner, prior to submission as part of any application for a Building Permit and / or the commencement of any alterations; and,
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c) Any original bricks that are salvaged from the construction of the new door opening, between the original structure and the new elevator lobby at the northeast corner, be stored on site at the church on an elevated platform such as pallet in a conditioned environment.

4) **Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm

(Burke/Graham)

That the meeting be adjourned.

5) **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, July 19, 2022 from 5:00 – 8:30pm