



Hamilton

MINUTES 11-004 HAMILTON MUNICIPAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 21, 2011

12:00 p.m., Room 830

Hamilton City Hall

Present: A. Denham-Robinson, Chair
M. Kirk, K. Wakeman, Vice Chair's
Councillors L. Ferguson, B. McHattie
M. Adkins, W. Arndt, W. Furlan, C. Lei, W. Rosart,
R. Sinclair

Absent: Councillor M. Pearson – City Business
Stan Nowak – Personal Business
Paul Wilson – Bereavement

Also Present: D. Cuming, Senior Project Manager, Heritage and Urban Design
J. Muller, Cultural Heritage Planner
M. House, Cultural Heritage Planner
R. Tanna, Assistant Cultural Heritage Planner – Student
C. Newman, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk's Office

A. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

(Adkins/Kirk)

That Alissa Denham-Robinson be appointed as the Chair of the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee for the 2011-2014 term of Council. **CARRIED**

(McHattie/Adkins)

That Michael Kirk and Kathy Wakeman be appointed as the Vice Chairs of the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee for the 2011-2014 term of Council. **CARRIED**

B. APPOINTMENT HMHC SUB-COMMITTEES

(Adkins/Kirk)

That William Rosart be appointed as the Chair of the Policy and Design Sub-Committee for the 2011-2014 term of Council. **CARRIED**

(Adkins/Sinclair)

That Michael Kirk be appointed as the Chair of the Inventory and Research Sub-Committee for the 2011-2014 term of Council. **CARRIED**

(Furlan/Lei)

That Michael Adkins be appointed as the Chair of the Heritage Permit Review Sub-Committee for the 2011-2014 term of Council. **CARRIED**

(Adkins/Kirk)

That Alissa Denham-Robinson and Christine Lei be appointed as Chair(s) of the Education Sub-Committee for the 2011-2014 term of Council. **CARRIED**

(Adkins/Wakeman)

That Wilfred Arndt be appointed as Vice Chair of the Heritage Review Sub-Committee for the 2011-2014 term of Council. **CARRIED**

(Adkins/Kirk)

That Stan Nowak be appointed to represent the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee on the Cross-Melville HCD Advisory Committee for the 2011-2014 term of Council. **CARRIED**

(Kirk/Adkins)

That Kathy Wakeman and Michael Adkins be appointed to represent the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee on the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee for the 2011-2014 term of Council. **CARRIED**

(McHattie/Kirk)

That Kathy Wakeman be appointed as the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee representative on the Hamilton Historical Board for the 2011-2014 term of Council. **CARRIED**

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

6. HERITAGE PERMIT APPLICATIONS

6.1 Delegated Approvals:

- 6.1.1 Heritage Permit Application (Window and Door Replacement) 10 Markland Street (Hamilton) Durand-Markland Heritage Conservation District (Ward 2)

6.1.2 Heritage Permit Application (Interior Finish Restoration – Front Hall) 600 York Boulevard (Hamilton) Dundurn Castle (Ward 1)

6.1.3 Heritage Permit Application (Selective Repointing) 310 Wilson Street East (Ancaster) Old Town Hall (Ward 12)

6.1.4 Heritage Permit Application (Mural Removal and Façade Restoration) 36-40 James Street South (Hamilton) Pigott Building (Ward 2)

6.1.5 Heritage Permit Application (Curatorial Office Exterior Wall Restoration) 600 York Boulevard (Hamilton) Dundurn Castle (Ward 1)

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.2 National Achievement Awards – Lister Block (M. House)

(Adkins/Kirk)

That the agenda be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

3. DELEGATION REQUESTS/DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS (Item 3)

(a) Robin McKee – respecting two pending heritage designations (Item 3.1)

(Adkins/Rosart)

That Mr. McKee's delegation request respecting two pending heritage designations, be approved.

CARRIED

(Adkins/Rosart)

That Mr. McKee be permitted to speak at today's Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee meeting.

CARRIED

Mr. McKee addressed the Committee respecting his two pending heritage designations. His comments included but were not limited to the following:

- Mr. McKee indicated that he has two properties awaiting heritage designation.
- He believes that it will take seven years for his properties to be designated.
- Mr. McKee felt that through the Inventory and Research Sub-Committee, citizens could assist with the research needed to expedite the heritage designation process.
- Mr. McKee would like to have the heritage property designation priority list altered to give private citizens with heritage designation applications priority in being designated over City owned properties.

The Committee discussed the matter. The discussion included but was not limited to the following:

- Staff indicated that they have a Council approved list of locations that are scheduled to be designated heritage sites. The current list is designed to be fair and equitable for all applicants.
- The Committee asked what financial cost is associated with designating a building. Staff indicated that designation cost is anywhere from \$5 to \$6 thousand dollars to complete.
- Councillor Ferguson asked staff to confirm if Mr. McKee's heritage designations are seven years away. Staff indicated that four years would be more accurate.
- The Committee discussed the possibility of contracting heritage planners to help City staff catch up with heritage designations.

(Wakeman/Sinclair)

That the presentation by Robin McKee respecting his two heritage designations, be received.

CARRIED

(McHattie/Adkins)

That staff explore and investigate a capital budget exercise to evaluate the possibility of hiring a heritage planner to assist staff with heritage designations.

CARRIED

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 4)

- (a) Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee Minutes dated March 17, 2011 (Item 4.1)**

(Kirk/Adkins)

That the Minutes of the March 17, 2011, meeting of the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee be approved, as presented. **CARRIED**

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (Item 5)

None

6. HERITAGE PERMIT APPLICATIONS (Item 6)

(a) Delegated Approvals:

- (i) Heritage Permit Application (Window and Door Replacement) 10 Markland Street (Hamilton) Durand-Markland Heritage Conservation District (Ward 2) (Item 6.1.1)**
- (ii) Heritage Permit Application (Interior Finish Restoration – Front Hall) 600 York Boulevard (Hamilton) Dundurn Castle (Ward 1) (Item 6.1.2)**
- (iii) Heritage Permit Application (Selective Repointing) 310 Wilson Street East (Ancaster) Old Town Hall (Ward 12) (Item 6.1.3)**
- (iv) Heritage Permit Application (Mural Removal and Façade Restoration) 36-40 James Street South (Hamilton) Pigott Building (Ward 2) (Item 6.1.4)**
- (v) Heritage Permit Application (Curatorial Office Exterior Wall Restoration) 600 York Boulevard (Hamilton) Dundurn Castle (Ward 1) (Item 6.1.5)**

(Adkins/Kirk)

That heritage permit applications 6.1.1 through to 6.1.5, be received. **CARRIED**

7. HERITAGE PROPERTY DESIGNATIONS

- (a) Recommendation to Designate 104 King Street West (Dundas) (Former Dundas Post Office) Under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act (Ward 13) (PowerPoint Presentation – M. House) (Item 7.1)**

Megan House addressed the Committee with the assistance of a PowerPoint presentation respecting the recommendation to designate the

former Dundas Post Office - 104 King Street West. Her comments included but were not limited to the following:

- Designation Process
- Dundas Post Office was under construction circa 1912
- Opened in October 1913
- Between 1960 to 2001, it was used as letter sorting building.
- After 2001 it was declared surplus and sold.
- The exterior of the building has remained relatively in tact with several additions.
- Few original interior features still remain
- Description of Heritage Attributes
- Designation Process Moving Forward

The Committee discussed the matter. Their comments included but were not limited to the following:

- Councillor Ferguson inquired as to how the owner of the building felt regarding the pending heritage designation. Staff indicated that the owner is aware of the designation and was notified of the HMHC meeting date and time, but have not had sufficient discussions with him to know his feelings regarding the matter.
- Councillor Ferguson indicated to the Committee that he wanted to know if the owner of the building was in agreement with the pending heritage designation.
- David Cuming advised the Committee that legally the owner of a property does not have to be in agreement with the heritage designation. Furthermore, it was the HMHC that requested that the Dundas Post Office be designated.

(Ferguson/Rosart)

That the heritage designation for the Dundas Post Office be TABLED until the next meeting, and that the owner of the property be requested to speak before the Committee with respect to the pending heritage designation. **CARRIED**

Chair Denham-Robinson and Ms. Wakeman wished to be indicated as opposed to the motion.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(a) CHO/ACO Conference - June 3-5 (Outstanding Business) (Item 8.1)

(Adkins/Wakeman)

That the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee send member Christine Lei to the CHO/ACO Conference held on June 3-5, 2011, and that item D of the Outstanding Business List be completed and removed. **CARRIED**

8.2 National Achievement Awards – Lister Block (M. House)

(Adkins/Wakeman)

That the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee supports the nomination of the Lister Building Project and LIUNA (Laborers' International Union of North America), as the property owner, for the Heritage Canada Foundation National Achievement Award, and requests that City staff prepare and submit all relevant supporting documentation for the nomination. **CARRIED**

9. Buildings and Landscapes

(a) Endangered Buildings and Landscapes:

- (i) Treble Hall, 6-12 John Street North, Hamilton (L) – M. Adkins**

No update

- (ii) Auchmar Gate House, 71 Claremont Drive, Hamilton (L)(R) – M. Adkins**

No update

- (iii) St. Marks, 120 Bay Street South, Hamilton (D) – M. Kirk**

No update

- (iv) Tivoli, 108 James Street North, Hamilton (D) – B. McHattie**

No update

- (v) Book House, 167 Book Road East, Ancaster (L) – W. Arndt**

No update

- (vi) The Royal Connaught Hotel, 112 King Street East, Hamilton (L) – M. Adkins**

No update

- (vii) **Andrew Sloss House, 372 Butter Road West, Ancaster (D) – W. Rosart**

No update

- (viii) **(Thomas Building) – 46 – 52 James Street North, Hamilton (D) – R. Sinclair**

No update

- (ix) **All Saints Church, 15 Queen Street South, Hamilton (L) – A. Denham-Robinson**

No update

- (x) **Grove Hall, Hickory House, Gateview, Century Manor and surrounding landscape, 100 West 5th Street, Hamilton (L)(R)(D) – C. Lei**

(Wakeman/Adkins)

That Hickory House be removed as an endangered building as it has been demolished.

CARRIED

- (xi) **Erland Lee Home and Museum, 552 Ridge Road, Stoney Creek – K. Wakeman**

Ms. Wakeman noted that the sign in front of the property is broken and has not been tended to. She felt that the property is being neglected and fears the situation will get worse. A conversation ensued and the Committee discussed what could be done to assist in the protection of the property.

(Wakeman/Adkins)

That appropriate City staff ensure that all by-laws and standards of the City are being met at the Erland Lee Home and Museum.

CARRIED

- (xii) **Federal Building, 150 Main Street West (L) – M. Adkins**

No update

(b) Buildings and Landscapes of Concern:

- (i) **Desjardins Canal, Dundas, Hamilton (R) – S. Nowak**

No update

(c) Heritage Properties Update:

- (i) **Auchmar, 88 Fennell Avenue West, Hamilton (D) – C. Lei**

- **Partial Collapse of garden walls (verbal update - M. House)**

There are several stone walls on the property, of which some have fallen down. An inspection done by an engineer has found that there are no footings under the walls. The goal is to find ways to stabilize what is left of the remaining walls and rebuild what has fallen down. A heritage permit and approval from the Ontario Heritage Trust as easement holders will be required for any remedial work.

- (ii) **Lister Block, 28-44 James Street North, Hamilton (D) – B. McHattie**

No update

10. GENERAL INFORMATION

- (a) **Ontario Heritage Trust: Heritage Community Recognition Program, Young Heritage Leaders Program and Community Leadership Program (Item 10.1)**

(Kirk/Adkins)

That the letter from the Ontario Heritage Trust respecting Community Recognition Program, Young Heritage Leaders Program and Community Leadership Program, be TABLED until the next meeting. **CARRIED**

- (b) **Open Doors at Hambly House, 170 Longwood Road North – Saturday April 23, at 3pm (Item 10.2)**

(Sinclair/Kirk)

That the correspondence respecting Open Doors at Hambly House, be received. **CARRIED**

- (c) **Letter from Michael Singh, (Acting) Director, Central Production and Verification Services Branch, Ministry of Government Services, regarding the waiving of tariff fees at Land Registry Offices for Municipal Heritage Committee members and their assistants (Item 10.3)**

(Kirk/Wakeman)

That the correspondence from Ministry of Government Services respecting the waiving of tariff fees at land registry offices for municipal heritage committee members and their assistants, be received.

CARRIED

- (d) **Commercial Heritage Improvement and Restoration Program (CHIRP) Fall 2010 Grant Applications (Wards 12, 13, 15) (Item 10.4)**

(Adkins/Kirk)

That the correspondence from the Commercial Heritage Improvement and Restoration Program respecting the Fall 2010 Grant Applications, be received.

CARRIED

- (e) **100 West 5th Street, Hamilton (St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton) - Hickory House Heritage Impact Assessment and Documentation and Salvage Report (final report) (Item 10.5)**

(Kirk/Adkins)

That the Hickory House Heritage Impact Assessment and Documentation and Salvage Report, be received.

CARRIED

- (f) **Heritage Permit Quarterly Review (Q1) (J. Muller) (Item 10.6)**

(Adkins/Rosart)

That the update respecting the Heritage Permit Quarterly Review, be received.

CARRIED

- (g) **1044 Beach Boulevard (verbal update) (Item 10.7)**

(Adkins/Rosart)

That the update respecting 1044 Beach Boulevard, be received.

CARRIED

- (h) **City of Hamilton 2011 Urban Design and Architecture Awards (verbal update) (Item 10.8)**

(Adkins/Wakeman)

That the update respecting the City of Hamilton 2011 Urban Design and Architecture Awards, be received.

CARRIED

11. NEW BUSINESS

None

12. ADJOURNMENT

(Wakeman/Kirk)

That the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee meeting, be adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Alissa Denham-Robinson, Chair
Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee

Christopher Newman
Legislative Assistant,
City Clerk's Office
April 21, 2011