



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Heritage Barrie Committee

Monday, August 17, 2020

6:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

For consideration by the City Building Committee on November 3, 2020.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Councillor, C. Riepma at 6:31 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 9 - Councillor C. Riepma
Councillor J. Harris
Vice Chair C. Froese
C. Colebatch
D. Exel
K. MacKinnon
S. Mackinnon
C. Manewell
D. Moore

STAFF:

Committee Support Clerk, T. McArthur
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan
Planner, T. Wierzba.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

DOORS OPEN AND CULTURE DAYS

The Committee discussed the traditional Doors Open Barrie and Culture Days options due to the COVID-19 pandemic and emergency measures.

T. Wierzba, Planner advised that Tourism Simcoe County would be cancelling Doors Open for 2020.

C. Colebatch provided information on the Ontario Heritage Trust received funding from Destination Ontario and are putting together a virtual website and are looking for content that can include pictures and videos. She commented that there is no cost to be included in the virtual website excluding the content itself. Ms. Colebatch advised she provided the information to the BIA to share with their membership for any interest to participate.

D. Exel advised that the Barrie Historical Archive will be participating by doing the walking tours that they normally do and will be recording the tours and uploading to the website. She noted the advantage of doing the tours virtually being able to integrate resources that are not physically there. Ms. Exel noted that they will be doing a walking tour of Downtown Barrie.

Ms. Colebatch discussed ideas for more participation in the virtually walking tours such as the City's website, local news outlets, and This Week in Barrie. She suggested reaching out to last year's participants and other interested parties to not only showcase Downtown Barrie but other areas as well.

T. Wierzba, Planner advised that City staff are currently working on innovative ideas to try and promote the redeveloped Dunlop Street and bringing people to the Downtown.

2020 COUNTY OF SIMCOE TOURISM, CULTURE AND SPORTS GRANT

T. Wierzba, Planner advised that he received an email from the County Simcoe and unfortunately the 2020 grant has been cancelled for this year due to COVID-19 restrictions and financial difficulties.

The Committee agreed to revisit the grant in 2021 if it is available.

2020 HERITAGE BARRIE AWARDS

T. Wierzba, Planner advised that the nominations for the 2020 Heritage Barrie Awards will be posted to the City Website on September 1, 2020 for 30 days. He provided a suggestion to review the nominations at the Committee's October, 2020 and to choose the award recipients.

Councillor, C. Riepma, Chair advised that the Awards Ceremony would probably be held virtually this due to the COVID-19 emergency measures.

FERRIER FAMILY HISTORY BOOK

T. Wierzba advised that the author of the Ferrier Family History book has offered to provide the City with a hard copy of the book. He suggested adding the book to the City's Heritage library.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW**70 HIGH STREET - DESIGNATING BY-LAW CORRECTION**

T. Wierzba, Planner discussed a correction that is needed to the Designating By-law associated to 70 High Street due to an error being made with a designation applied to 70 High Street when it should not have been.

Mr. Wierzba advised the Committee of the statutory requirements in providing notice to lift the designation, the appeal process, and the next steps to properly designating the property.

268 AND 271 CODRINGTON STREET

Mr. Wierzba provided information associated to 268 Codrington Street a designated property and a consent application for 271 Codrington Street to sever the backyard portion of that property, to create a new lot for construction and possibly the demolishing of the existing home and a new one in its place.

Mr. Wierzba advised that the City Planner on the file is aware about the cultural heritage protection policies associated to the designated property of 268 Codrington Street. The Committee discussed the history and reasoning for the designation for the property. Mr. Wierzba noted that he would provide feedback to the Planner from the Committee members.

VICTORIAN HOME LOCATED AT 159 OWEN STREET

T. Wierzba, Planner advised that correspondence was received by the owner of 159 Owen Street. He discussed the contents from the correspondence that included the owner purchasing the property in 2019, is passionate about heritage preservation, and that the homeowner is concerned about the loss of heritage of homes in the area from decisions made at the Committee of Adjustment.

Mr. Wierzba asked the Committee to review the correspondence and provide their comments to him concerning the property located at 159 Owen Street.

The Committee discussed the types of homes in the area and provided feedback to Mr. Wierzba concerning heritage preservation, feasibility of heritage district(s), a review on policies associated to built form that doesn't match the character of the area, and infilling policies.

DEMOLITION CONTROL AND ARCHIVING

D. Exel discussed the possibility of the Committee being notified when a demolish permit is being obtained in order to photograph, and/or record digitally for record and historical purposes.

T. Wierzba advised that he will inquire with City staff and report back to the Committee at a future meeting.

STATUS OF POTENTIAL LISTINGS TO MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTRAR

50 TIFFIN

T. Wierzba, Planner advised he received a request for 50 Tiffin Street to be evaluated and added as listed property on the Municipal Heritage Registry. The Committee discussed the heritage attributes listed on the evaluation form including its historical value, style, and history of the property. The Committee recommended adding the property to the Municipal Heritage Registry as a listed property.

151-161 BRADFORD STREET (CITY OWNED PROPERTIES) UPDATE

The Committee discussed the potential listing of 151-161 Bradford Street on the Municipal Heritage Registry and the possibility of future demolition of the properties. Mr. Wierzba discussed two motions passed by Council for staff to review the properties and for the Committee to provide a memorandum to provide the rationale for adding the properties to the Registry. The Committee discussed the rationale for the properties to be included in the memorandum.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "B"

Recommendation:

MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTRAR LISTING - 50 TIFFIN STREET

That the property municipally known as 50 Tiffin Street be added to the Municipal Heritage Registrar as a listed property.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Building Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 11/3/2020.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "C"

MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTER UPDATE

T. Wierzba, Planner provided an update on the Municipal Heritage Register. He advised that an updated document that includes all the new additions to the Registry will be posted on the City's Website, as well as the story boards on Discover Barrie, the City's GIS Portal.

The Committee discussed posting the updated images and titles of the properties listed on the Municipal Heritage Register.

PLAQUE: SITE SELECTION AND EXPENSE APPROVAL

The Committee discussed creating heritage plaques for fully designated properties, and listed properties on the Municipal Heritage Registry. They discussed the costs associated to the types, the style, and sizes of the plaques. C. Colebatch suggested sending letters to the designated and listed properties as to whether they want a plaque on their properties.

The Committee agreed to continue with the previous oval, cast bronze plaques on designated properties and that the expenditures of funds from the Heritage Barrie Committee cost centre 1025-620200 not to exceed \$4,000 for costs associated with purchasing and installing the plaques on designated properties.

T. Wierzba to report back to the Committee at the September meeting with additional costs related to the plaques.

COMMITTEE BUDGET UPDATE

The Committee discussed the Committee's budget for 2020 and possible changes to the budget from cancellation of events, conferences etc., due to COVID-19, and potential of claw backs.

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

CHAIRMAN