The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver
Regular meeting of the Heritage Advisory Commission
Conference Room 'A', City Hall, 141 West 14th Street, North Vancouver, B.C.
Tuesday, August 13, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

M I N U T E S

PRESENT:
Larissa Grierson, Chair
Dave Gosse
Margaret Herman
Sharon Peters

GUESTS:

STAFF:
Christopher Wilkinson, Planner
Edythe Barker, Committee Clerk

ABSENT:
Kerry Kukucha, Vice Chair
Brad McTavish
Pam Bookham, Councillor

Quorum = 4

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by the Chair.

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
The minutes of July 9, 2013 were adopted as circulated.

2. BUSINESS ARISING
   a) Heritage Reserve Fund Grant – St. Paul's Indian Residential School Commemoration
      C. Wilkinson advised the committee about a request from Barbara Wyss, Director of the
      Ustalhn Social Society on behalf of the Squamish Nation. St. Paul's Indian Residential
      School was operated under the auspices of the Sisters of the Child Jesus and was
      situation on the Squamish Nation Indian Reserve. It first opened in 1899 and was the
      first school for native people on the North Shore. The school operated until its' closer in
      June 1959.

      The proposal is on behalf of the former students of St. Paul's Indian Residential School
      to establish a memorial monument to commemorate and honour the former students of
      this school. The proposed monument will be of two children welcoming figures, carved
      in red cedar with a concrete base. It will be placed on or near the original site of the
      school, where St. Thomas Aquinas High School currently is. There will be room for at
      least 400 names of students that attended and will include a history of the school's
      opening.

      September 16 – 20 will be declared Reconciliation Week in the City of Vancouver and
      the City of North Vancouver will also proclaim that week as reconciliation week. Staff
      plan to present this request in a report to Council at the September 9 Council meeting.
Staff is recommending that we grant approximately $8,000 - $10,000 from the Heritage Reserve Fund. The City of North Vancouver will also make the Arts Office available for support regarding materials and any other assistance that may be required.

**HAC Comments/Questions:**

- What other organizations or municipalities are involved in this project?
  - Ustlahn Social Society of the Squamish Nation
  - The Indigenous Women’s Studies Institute
  - The Squamish Nation
  - The Sisters of the Child Jesus
  - The Oblates of Mary Immaculate
- Has the District of North Vancouver been asked to participate and, if not, why not?
  - C. Wilkinson will follow up.
- What is the total budget?
  - The total preliminary budget is approximately $30,000.
- How much is available in the Heritage Reserve Fund?
  - Currently $99,559.

It was moved and seconded that:

**THAT** the Heritage Advisory Commission, having received the request for funding from Barbara Wyss, Director, Ustlahn Social Society of the Squamish Nation, regarding the proposed St. Paul’s Indian Residential School Commemoration, supports this initiative. Further, the Commission:

1. Supports an amount of approximately $8,000 to $10,000 being granted from the City of North Vancouver’s Heritage Reserve Fund towards this initiative and;
2. Recommends that staff inquire with the District of North Vancouver as to their contribution with respect to these efforts to commemorate the St. Paul’s Indian Residential School.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

2. **UPDATES**
   
a) **STAFF**
   
i. 529 East 3rd Street – Eatherington Residence – The owners are finding this site complicated. Currently they are not sure if the project planned for this location is still viable. They have created an advertisement regarding the relocation. When/if this is ready to go forward, the ad will come to HAC for comments as well as the North Shore Heritage Preservation Society.
   
   ii. 275 West 6th Street – Ottawa Gardens - The applicant will be holding a Developer Information Session in the fall – September/October.
   
   iii. 472 Park Street – Firth Residence – This “B” listed heritage home was located adjacent to the Low Level Road. As part of the Low Level Road Project, Port Metro Vancouver were committed to relocating the house. However, a building assessment has now shown that the cost of relocating the house and bringing it back up to code is too expensive. A demolition permit was issued in July.
iv. 229 East 19th Street – Finlay’s Row - Council has requested the issuance of demolition permit for this house. Regarding the building of a new residence on this site, staff has provided a list of heritage elements for the home owners and designers to consider in order to integrate a heritage look/feel.

v. Heritage Plaque Program – C. Wilkinson met with Dalen Ide at the North Shore Museum & Archives regarding this program. He confirmed that legally protected homes have the right to a plaque which the City pays 100% of. Staff is working on a list of these buildings that don’t have plaques and they will take priority. A & B listed homes are entitled to a plaque as well which the City would pay 50% of. The next steps are to look at a template and for a fabricator as well as the possibility of having these plaques produced at the City Works Yard.

vi. 101 – 149 Lonsdale – The Beasley Block (Moodyville Café) – Staff are anticipating that this project will go to the Advisory Design Panel this month and will come to HAC and the Advisory Planning Commission in September.

b) COUNCILLOR

3. OTHER BUSINESS

a) D. Gosse mentioned that trees can be as much a part of the City’s heritage as buildings. It has come to his awareness that the District of North marks their protected trees with a plaque. It would be nice to have plaques on heritage trees in the City to inform tree guys that fines could be issued.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

5. ADJOURNMENT – 6:32 p.m.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – September 10, 2013

Chair

Date

Sept 10 2013