



6. NEW BUSINESS

a) Portals to Our Heritage Project – Cultural Capital Initiative

C. Sholberg noted:

- Followed up with Parks, Recreation and Culture Department and they have formed a 'Team Nanaimo' committee that is working on some events around Arts & Culture. Schedule of their activities is included in the Agenda package.
- There may be some opportunity for the Commission to work with Team Nanaimo.
- Team Nanaimo is looking at applying for one of the \$10,000 grants from the Provincial government and asked that any ideas the Commission has can be sent to Camela Tang, Chair of the Team.
- C. Sholberg is looking at the possibility of holding an additional event connected with the province's BC150 during Heritage Week (Feb 2008).

7. OLD BUSINESS

a) Heritage Value Statements - Heritage Register nominations

**18 Albion Street**

C. Sholberg noted:

- The application for this property to be added to the Heritage Register was put on hold by the Commission until the work is completed.
- Talked with owner and he would like the property added to the register so that he can apply for grant under the Heritage Home Grant Program.
- Planning to put rock treatment along bottom of the house.
- Commission could remove the property from the Register if the end result of the renovations is not acceptable. Rest of the house has been well restored.
- Windows have been upgraded but owner has kept the character.

Comments from the Commission:

- Think the rock treatment will be out of character.
- Perhaps we would have more say about the type of finishing if we do put it on the Register.
- There is another residence that has a rock treatment that is around same year and it is original finish.
- Could suggest to owner that we feel rock treatment would not be good for getting grant as NCHC not supportive of it.
- House is representative of Harewood and we don't have many examples from Harewood on the Register.

MOVED by C. Meutzner, SECONDED by C. Riches that the Commission recommend Council place 18 Albion Street on the Heritage Register.

CARRIED

**420 Pine**

C. Sholberg noted:

- Did not pass on the point evaluation.
- Has no historical association.

Comments from the Commission:

- Would like to determine if the rock work is original which could make a difference in our decision.
- C. Meutzner will ask owner if she and J. Hofman can take a closer look at the rock work.
- Will reconsider this application at the November meeting.

#### **411 Machleary Street**

C. Sholberg noted:

- Very good example of this form of housing although just made passing score on point evaluation.
- Unusual for this area.

Comments from the Commission:

- Few examples of this type left in the neighbourhood.
- Good heritage example and nicely restored.

MOVED by C. Meutzner, SECONDED by B. McGuffie that the Commission recommend Council place 411 Machleary Street on the Heritage Register.

CARRIED

#### **185 Stewart Avenue**

C. Sholberg noted:

- Not many older homes left in this area.
- Did well on point system mainly because of Galbraith connection and being the oldest home in the neighbourhood.
- Has had some upgrade, likely in the 1930s.

MOVED by B. McGuffie, SECONDED by C. Meutzner that the Commission recommend Council place 185 Stewart Avenue on the Heritage Register.

CARRIED

#### **523 Vancouver Avenue**

C. Meutzner noted:

- Most important factor is that the building was moved onto this site.
- Has an association with Alfred Taylor who was a notable engineer.
- Also strong historical significance with Giovando family.

MOVED by C. Meutzner, SECONDED by D. Hill-Turner that the Commission recommend Council place 523 Vancouver Avenue on the Heritage Register.

CARRIED

#### **529 Wentworth**

C. Meutzner noted:

- Late Victorian and we don't have many of this type on the Register.
- Strange that it doesn't show up in assessment records until the 1930's.
- Home may have been moved from elsewhere but was built in late 1800s.
- Think there has been significant changes but it still has most of the original elements so scores well for architecture.

C. Sholberg noted that

- The original nomination was submitted by Volunteer Nanaimo.
- Have talked to the new owners and they are happy to have the nomination stand.

MOVED by C. Meutzner, SECONDED by C. Riches that the Commission recommend Council place 529 Wentworth Street on the Heritage Register.

CARRIED

### **904 Wentworth Street**

C. Meutzner noted:

- Building form is authentic.
- One of the few examples of company managerial housing.
- Did loose points for stucco so could be considered as a 60/100 if stucco not an issue.

MOVED by C. Meutzner, SECONDED by C. Riches that the Commission recommend Council place 904 Wentworth Street on the Heritage Register.

CARRIED

b) Heritage Award (November 8 Awards Luncheon – Beban Park Lounge) –

### **John Thomson Memorial Award (Heritage Advocacy)**

C. Sholberg noted:

- Placed an advertisement in the local paper but didn't get any responses.
- As requested by Commission, circulated an information sheet on Gino Sedola's volunteer work.
- Also circulated proposed criteria for award as drafted by J. Perry.

Comments from the Commission:

- Mr. Sedola worked on three significant projects.
- Museum very significant community impact project.
- Put in many, many years on community heritage.
- His work is bigger than heritage.

MOVED by C. Riches, SECONDED by B. McGuffie that the Commission ask Council to approve the nomination of Gino Sedola for the John Thomson Memorial Award.

CARRIED

C. Sholberg will send a report to Council for their endorsement. Will then contact the nominee to advise him of the nomination.

c) Best Heritage Building Rehab (Residential and Commercial)?

C. Sholberg noted:

- Based the nominations on recipients of grants from the Heritage Home Grant and Heritage Façade Grant programs.
- First time for this so Commission can decide how they wish to proceed.

After some discussion, the Commission made the following motions:

MOVED by C. Meutzner, SECONDED by D. Hill-Turner that the Commission ask Council to approve the following nominations for the Nanaimo Community Heritage Commission's Commercial Heritage Rehabilitation Award (Commercial):

- St. Andrew's United Church (315 Fitzwilliam Street)
- Ranger's Shoes Building (310 Fitzwilliam Street)
- Gusola Block (120 Commercial Street)

CARRIED

MOVED by B. McGuffie, SECONDED by B. Gard that the Commission ask Council to approve the following nominations for the Nanaimo Community Heritage Commission's Heritage Rehabilitation Award (Residential):

- Gulliford Residence (285 Wall Street)
- Van Houten Residence (184 Mt. Benson)

CARRIED

d) Harewood Heritage Brochure

C. Meutzner advised that she has not had an opportunity to finish the brochure.

C. Sholberg:

- Will work with C. Meutzner to complete the brochure and then e-mail out to Commission members for their approval.
- Need a commitment to do reprint of other brochures for this year. Will put on November agenda for Commission approval.

e) E&N Railway Station fire damage/status:

C. Sholberg advised:

- Distributed copies of the letter to D. Backhouse, Island Corridor Foundation Chair for information.
- There is insurance on the building for repair but still need to find the funds for rehabilitation work.
- Team coming from HRBC to do an assessment of the building.
- Will report back to the Commission at the next meeting.

Comments from the Commission:

- Challenge is to find funding hopefully some from City, provincial and federal governments.
- There is a need to proceed in a timely fashion as the building will deteriorate more quickly now.

f) Heritage Register Plaques for Commercial Heritage Buildings (based on request from owner of Ranger's Shoes building)

C. Sholberg noted:

- This issue was raised at last month's meeting.

- Owner would like some type of plaque noting heritage importance Owner is willing to cost share on bronze plaque.
- We do these for heritage homes and perhaps they should be done for commercial heritage buildings as well.
- Could identify those who received grant money in the last five years and see if we could do a batch of plaques although that would trigger a request to Council for additional funding.
- Will bring back to Commission in new year.

Comments from the Commission:

- Would rather see a plaque than narrative sign.
- Agree with the concept as long as there is cost sharing with building owners.
- Need owners to agree to placing the plaques where visible and keep it there.
- Could ask Wellington Foundry in Parksville for a quote on this type of plaque.
- D. Hill-Turner will get a quote for the Commission to consider.

## 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### a) Plan Nanaimo Advisory Committee

D. Hill-Turner:

- Draft of sustainNanaimo document for the first two goals came out in September and is available on the City's website.
- C. Sholberg advised that there will be more public consultation in November and early December when the full draft document is available.

### b) Snuneymuxw First Nation (G. Manson)

G. Manson was not in attendance.

### c) Nanaimo Community Archives Society

C. Meutzner noted:

- Only assistant is currently out of the country so running the office by myself.
- The biggest news is that the Malaspina Hotel murals have finally found a home and will be going into the New Nanaimo Centre, next to the Council chambers.
- A huge number of new records are coming in so could really use some new volunteers to help sort it all.

### d) Nanaimo District and Museum

D. Hill-Turner noted:

- Closing the old location to public on Sat. Oct 27.
- Doing school programs through November and December.
- Doing new programs in January in schools.
- Scheduled to open new facility next summer.

### e) Design Advisory Panel

J. Hofman advised that there were no heritage related issues.

## 9. LATE ITEMS:

a) Chase River Plaque

C. Sholberg noted:

- Working with African Heritage Society and Chase River Neighbourhood Association and the new plaque which is almost ready to be produced.
- The Commission's commitment was for \$1000 with the two groups paying for remainder.
- Have been advised that the cost to City sign shop to lexan the plaque will be approximately \$500 so requesting the Commission cover this additional expenditure.

MOVED by C. Meutzner, SECONDED by B. McGuffie, that the Commission contribute an additional \$500 towards the Chase River plaque project.

CARRIED

b) Fernville House (84 Esplanade)

C. Sholberg distributed information on the relocation of the house to a lot at 1002 Milton Street.

c) New Nanaimo Centre Tour

In response to a request from some of the Commission members, C. Sholberg will look into arranging a tour of the New Nanaimo Centre for interested Commission members.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 2007-Nov-07.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Chair

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Date