

Meeting Minutes

City of Guelph

Heritage Guelph Committee (HG)

November 12, 2018

City Hall, Meeting Room C

From 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Meeting Chair: P. Brian Skerrett

Present: P. Brian Skerrett, Bob Foster, Bill Green, David Waverman, Michael Crawley, Tony Berto, Stephen Robinson (Senior Heritage Planner), Madeleine Myhill (Planning Clerk - Policy)

Absent: Mary Tivy, Charles Nixon

Agenda Items

All were welcomed by the Chair.

Items 1, 2 and 3

Item 1, Call to order

Item 2, Acknowledgements

Item 3, Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

David Waverman declared a conflict of interest regarding Item 5 on the agenda and was precluded from participation in the matter in question.

Item 4, Approval of Minutes of the October 9, 2018 meeting.

Motion by: Tony Berto

Seconded by: Michael Crawley

Carried – unanimous

THAT the minutes of the October 9, 2018 meeting of Heritage Guelph be approved.

Item 5

**2093 Gordon Street
Listed (non-designated) property**

Heritage Review application requesting removal of the Weir barn from the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties requires review of Cultural Heritage Resource Impact Assessment.

Consultants: Meghan Rivard, Laura Walter, Pete Graham (Stantec Consulting Inc.)

- The consultant team reviewed the process undertaken throughout their study
- Heritage value within the barn, but no value in the house or surrounding landscape
- Reviewed images and discussed the salvage of beams
- No consideration given to rehabilitation costing
- Discussion around original owner prior to the Weir family, and archaeology concerns as his body is said to be buried on the site
- Discussion around the prominence of the Weir family
- Consider providing reference to the barns further south to provide context for Weir barn
- Discussion around rehabilitation and dismantling

Moved by: Bob Foster

Seconded by: Bob Foster

Carried – 3 in favour, 2 against

THAT while Heritage Guelph supports the retention of built heritage resources, Heritage Guelph does not recommend that Council protect the Weir barn at 2093 Gordon Street through individual designation under section 29, Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act; and

That Heritage Guelph recommends that Council approve the proponent's Heritage Review Application for removal of 2093 Gordon Street from the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties; and

That the property owner and applicant be required to develop and implement a strategy, at their cost and to the satisfaction of City staff, that satisfies the following cultural heritag conditions:

- **That the Weir barn and its interior framing be completely documented through measured drawings and photographs (before and during disassembly); and**
- **That all salvageable wood members (e.g. beams, posts or cladding) and the foundation stone be retained and appropriately stored for future study of potential reuse in situ or within a future proposed development of the subject property.**

Item 6

478 Gordon Street (Massey Hall, U of G)

Designated property

Heritage permit HP18-0015 for proposed accessibility upgrades to rear elevation.

Consultants: Greg McLean (Walterfedy); Greg Hastings and Jill Vigers (University of Guelph)

- Proposing a new addition to accommodate accessibility upgrades including elevator access
- Reviewed drawings and plans explained
- Creating an interior wall from what was exterior wall
- Character defining elements will be conserved
- The courtyard and surrounding area will be updated
- Taking many measures to conserve heritage features

Moved by: Bill Green

Seconded by: Tony Berto

Carried – unanimous

THAT Heritage Guelph recommends the approval of heritage permit HP18-0015 to allow the University of Guelph's proposed elevator and stair addition as an accessibility upgrade to the rear elevation of the Massey Hall building at 478 Gordon Street in plan and elevation drawings by Walterfedy dated November 5, 2018 as presented at the November 12, 2018 meeting of Heritage Guelph.

Item 7

Norwich Street Bridge Rehabilitation

Designated property

Heritage permit application HP18-0014 requires review of current (60%) design drawings.

City Engineering staff: Ike Umar; Consultant: Jack Turner (GM Blueplan Engineering)

- Environmental Assessment done in 2016
- Original metal trusses of the bridge are designated, but the wood deck and abutments are not
- Original bridge is deteriorating and not able to support pedestrian use – will leave bridge in place and insert a free-floating bridge with a concrete deck
- Original bridge trusses will be cleaned and re-painted and non-original guard rail removed
- Retaining walls will not be impacted
- Water main and sewer pipes that will hang from the pedestrian bridge will need to be encased and/or painted

Moved by: Bill Green

Seconded by: Tony Berto

Carried – unanimous

THAT Heritage Guelph supports the proposed (60%) plan and elevation design drawings submitted by GM BluePlan Engineering dated May 2018 and presented at the November 13, 2018 meeting of Heritage Guelph for heritage permit HP18-0014 to allow the reconstruction and rehabilitation project for the Norwich Pedestrian Bridge to proceed to the next design stage.

Information Items

1. Update on online heritage register mapping
2. "Monkey Bridge" over Speed River on Victoria Road North

Adjournment

Moved by: Tony Berto

Seconded by: Bill Green

Carried – unanimous

Next Meetings of Heritage Guelph:

December 10, 2018 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. City Hall, Meeting Room C