Heritage Markham Committee Meeting City of Markham

November 11, 2015 Canada Room, Markham Civic Centre

Members

Julie Chapman
Jenny Chau
Graham Dewar
Anthony Farr
Evan Gelman
David Johnston
David Nesbitt, Chair
Templar Tsang-Trinaistich, Vice-Chair

Regrets

Councillor Valerie Burke Evelin Ellison Councillor Don Hamilton Councillor Karen Rea

Staff

Regan Hutcheson, Manager, Heritage Planning George Duncan, Senior Heritage Planner Peter Wokral, Heritage Planner Kitty Bavington, Council/Committee Coordinator

David Nesbitt, Chair, convened the meeting at 7:20 PM by asking for any disclosures of interest with respect to items on the agenda. Templar Tsang-Trinaistich assumed the Chair for items # 3 and # 18.

David Nesbit disclosed an interest with respect to Item # 3, 5 Euclid Street, by nature of being a next-door neighbour, and did not take part in the discussion of or vote on the question of the approval of this matter.

Graham Dewar disclosed an interest with respect to Item # 3, 5 Euclid Street, by nature of working on the application, and did not take part in the discussion of or vote on the question of the approval of this matter.

Templar Tsang-Trinaistich disclosed an interest with respect to Item # 10, 12 Peter Street, by nature of the owner being a family member, and did not take part in the discussion as a member of the Committee, or vote on the question of the approval of this matter.

David Nesbit disclosed an interest with respect to Item # 18, 118 Main Street Unionville, by nature of being a neighbour, and did not take part in the discussion of or vote on the question of the approval of this matter.

1. Approval of Agenda (16.11)

A) New Business

- Heritage Markham 40th Anniversary Event
- 118 Main Street Unionville, Site Plan revision

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That the November 11, 2015 Heritage Markham Committee agenda be approved.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the October 21, 2015

Heritage Markham Committee meeting (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That the minutes of the Heritage Markham Committee meeting held on October 21, 2015 be received and adopted.

CARRIED

3. Site Plan Control Application,

5 Euclid Street,

Proposed Mudroom & Alterations to an Existing Veranda (16.11)

File Number: SC 15 173550

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

P. Wokral, Heritage Planner

Templar Tsang-Trinaistich assumed the Chair for this item.

David Nesbit disclosed an interest with respect to Item # 3, 5 Euclid Street, by nature of being a next-door neighbour, and did not take part in the discussion of or vote on the question of the approval of this matter.

Graham Dewar disclosed an interest with respect to Item # 3, 5 Euclid Street, by nature of working on the application, and did not take part in the discussion of or vote on the question of the approval of this matter.

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham has no objection to the proposed mudroom and alterations to the veranda at 5 Euclid St. in Unionville and delegates final review of the application to Heritage Section staff; and,

That the applicant enter into a Site Plan agreement with the City containing standard conditions regarding materials, windows, colours etc.

CARRIED

4. Building or Sign Permit Applications,

190 Main Street Unionville,

6330 16th Avenue, Mount Joy Community,

9286 Kennedy Road, North Unionville,

Delegated Approvals: Building, Demolition and Sign Permits (16.11)

File Numbers: 15 161776 AL

15 172953 SP

15 173551 DP

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham receive the information on building, demolition and sign permits approved by Heritage Section staff under the delegated approval process.

CARRIED

5. Heritage Permit Application,

25 Princess Street, Markham Village,

10 Heritage Corners Lane, Markham Heritage Estates,

Delegated Approval: Heritage Permits (16.11)

File Numbers: HE 15 174034

HE 15 175337

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham receive the information on heritage permits approved by Heritage Section staff under the delegated approval process.

6. Request for Feedback,

Recognition of the Vinegar Hill Neighbourhood (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham request staff to contact the resident to advise them about the recognition of Vinegar Hill through the Markham Village Interpretive program.

CARRIED

7. Zoning By-law Amendment Application, Official Plan Amendment Application, 73 Main Street South,

Proposed Townhouse Development (16.11)

File Numbers: OP 15 108135

ZA 15 108135

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

G. Duncan, Project Planner

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham recommends that this application be referred to the Architectural Review Sub-committee for a detailed review and discussion, to be scheduled to ensure the ward councilor can attend.

CARRIED

8. Request for Feedback,

Re-naming Part of Woodbine Avenue (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham has no objection from a heritage perspective to the proposed renaming of a part of Woodbine Avenue to Victoria Square Boulevard; and,

That the Markham Register of Property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest be revised, as necessary, if the street name is approved.

9. Correspondence (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That the following correspondence be received as information:

a) Ontario Heritage Trust: Heritage Matters Newsletter – Revealing the past: Ontario's archaeological heritage (staff has full copy)

CARRIED

10. Site Plan Control Application,

Committee of Adjustment Variance Application,

12 Peter Street,

Proposed Addition to Heritage House and

Two Car Accessory Building with Loft (16.11)

File Numbers: SC 15 161892

A/121/15

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

R. Punit, Committee of Adjustment

Templar Tsang-Trinaistich disclosed an interest with respect to Item # 10, 12 Peter Street, by nature of the owner being a family member, and did not take part in the discussion as a member of the Committee, or vote on the question of the approval of this matter.

The Heritage Planner advised that this application had been referred to the Architectural Review Sub-Committee at the October Heritage Committee meeting, to review several issues. The Committee had notes but no recommendation from the Sub-Committee site visits held on October 29, 2015 and November 2, 2015. The applicant has revised the application in response to feedback from the Committee. Written comments from a Committee member were received, and the issue potential shading was discussed.

Templar Tsang-Trinaistich, representing the applicant, advised of the revisions to the application, and noted that one variance is required due to the legal non-conforming front yard setback.

The Committee considered the proposed addition and garage appropriate from a heritage perspective.

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham has no objection to the proposal from a heritage perspective, and has no comment on the requested variances based on drawings date stamped October 29, 2015; and,

That final review of the Site Plan and Variance application for 12 Peter Street be delegated to Heritage Section Staff; and further,

That the applicant enter into a Site Plan agreement with the City containing the standard conditions regarding materials, colours windows, etc.

CARRIED

11. Site Plan Control Application,

123 Main Street Unionville,

Proposed Rear Addition to an Existing Heritage House (16.11)

File Numbers: SC 15 170478

ZA 15 108135

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

P. Wokral, Heritage Planner

The Heritage Planner provided an outline of the previous review of this application at the October, 2015 Heritage Committee meeting, and provided an update. The staff recommendation was explained, and it was clarified that no variances are required. There are three trees to be removed. The owner has agreed to plant replacement trees.

The Committee discussed the tree in the rear yard, the setback measurements, and the basement entrance with respect to TRCA approval.

Russ Gregory, representing the applicant, confirmed the setback measurements on the site plan, and advised that if TRCA does not approve the basement entrance, it will be removed from the plans.

The Committee commended the applicant for an admirable design and proposal that does not require any variances.

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham has no objection to the removal of the attached one storey heritage shed at the rear of 123 Main St. Unionville; and,

That Heritage Markham has no objection to the proposed two storey addition to 123 Main St. Unionville and delegates final review of the Site Plan application and any other development matters necessary to permit the proposed addition provided there are no significant deviations from the plans date stamped October 5, 2015; and further,

That the applicant enter into a Site Plan agreement containing the standard conditions regarding materials, colours, windows etc., and that the applicant be required to provide five replacement trees.

CARRIED

12. Site Visit,

45 Captain Armstrong Lane,

Heritage Markham Site Visit to the Armstrong Farmhouse (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

Heritage staff displayed photographs from the site visit to 45 Captain Armstrong Lane, and reviewed the features of the Armstrong farmhouse. The Committee commented on the large lot that complements the character of the building, and requested staff express appreciation to the owners for inviting the members for the visit.

It was noted that the owners have expressed concern that the property should be preserved, and staff were requested to contact them with respect to designating the property under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham receive as information; and,

That Heritage staff write to the owners to convey the Committee's appreciation for the site visit; and further,

That Heritage staff contact the owners with respect to Heritage designation for the property.

13. Rouge Park

Charrette Invitation: Rouge National Urban Park Gateway in Cornell (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

The Senior Heritage Planner explained the upcoming Charrette scheduled in November, to determine appropriate gateway treatment for the Rouge National Urban Park. The Charrette schedule was outlined, and Heritage Committee members are welcome to attend.

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham receive this item as information and any interested members of the committee be encouraged to attend the workshop series.

CARRIED

14. Special Event,

Year End Reception 2015(16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

The Committee discussed the year end reception and agreed to hold it after the December meeting, in the Councillors' lounge. The Heritage meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham will hold its year end reception on December 9, 2015 at the Councillors' lounge, and it will be organized with the assistance of Heritage staff. The Heritage meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED

15. Request for Feedback

Ministry of Tourism, Culture & Sport, Developing a Cultural Strategy for Ontario (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

The Manager of Heritage Planning explained the initiative of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture & Sport to develop a cultural strategy for Ontario, and discussed staffs' recommendations for comments. The Committee discussed and added to the proposed comments.

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That Heritage Markham provides the following comments on "Developing a Cultural Strategy for Ontario" specifically related to cultural heritage policy:

- introduction of grant assistance for restorative work on historic church/religious properties given that they cannot take advantage of heritage property tax rebate/reduction programs that may be offered by a municipality.
- grant assistance for individual heritage property owners to supplement municipal grant programs that may be available.
- funding assistance to municipal governments to undertake heritage conservation district studies or to assist with larger, municipal restoration projects
- enhanced educational tools to better understand the complexities of the Ontario Heritage Act and Ontario Planning Act legislation (which would be beneficial to smaller municipalities with limited legal and administrative staff available)

CARRIED

16. Review of Niagara-on-the-Lake Infill Housing Heritage Designs (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

Heritage staff provided information and displayed photographs of Niagara-on-the-Lake infill housing, with respect to heritage buildings and features.

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That the Heritage staff presentation of photos on new housing stock using heritage architectural designs/styles in Niagara-on-the-Lake, be received.

CARRIED

17. NEW BUSINESS

Heritage Markham's 40th Anniversary Event (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

The Manager of Heritage Planning reported on the successful $40^{\rm th}$ Anniversary event held recently, and displayed photographs.

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That the presentation on the 40th Anniversary of Heritage Markham, be received.

18. NEW BUSINESS

118 Main Street Unionville

Revisions to Site Plan Approval (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

P. Wokral, Heritage Planner

Templar Tsang-Trinaistich assumed the Chair for this item.

David Nesbit disclosed an interest with respect to Item # 18, 118 Main Street Unionville, by nature of being a neighbour, and did not take part in the discussion of or vote on the question of the approval of this matter.

The Heritage Planner explained the proposed change from red brick to stone cladding on the chimney. The Committee recommended that the approved plan should stand as it reflects heritage policy.

Heritage Markham Recommends:

That the exterior material for 188 Main Street Unionville remain as brick, as approved.

CARRIED

Adjournment

The Heritage Markham Committee meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.