

**HERITAGE MARKHAM COMMITTEE MEETING  
TOWN OF MARKHAM  
Canada Room, Markham Civic Centre  
Wednesday, January 14, 2009**

Members

Councillor Valerie Burke  
Susan Casella  
Ted Chisholm  
Judith Dawson, Vice-Chair  
Deirdre Kavanagh  
James Makaruk  
Richard Morales  
Councillor Carolina Moretti  
Barry Nelson  
Denise Sabatini-Fuina  
Councillor Joe Virgilio

Regrets

Sylvia Morris  
Joyce Nelson-Watt – Chair

Staff

Regan Hutcheson, Manager, Heritage Planning  
George Duncan, Senior Heritage Planner  
Peter Wokral, Planner, Heritage and Conservation  
Kitty Bavington, Committee Clerk

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Judith Dawson, Vice-Chair, convened the meeting at 6:50 p.m. by asking for any declarations of interest with respect to items on the agenda. None were declared.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (16.11)

- A) Addendum Agenda
- B) New Business from Committee Members

HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT the Heritage Markham agenda be approved.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES  
TWELFTH HERITAGE MARKHAM MEETING  
DECEMBER 10, 2008 (16.11)  
Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning
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HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT the Minutes of the Heritage Markham meeting held on December 10, 2008 be received and adopted.

CARRIED

3. INFORMATION  
WORKSHOPS FROM THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE (16.11)  
Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning
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HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

Receive as Information.

CARRIED

4. POLICY  
FEDERAL TAX INCENTIVE FOR HERITAGE PROPERTIES  
LANDMARKS NOT LANDFILLS CAMPAIGN  
HERITAGE CANADA FOUNDATION (16.11)  
Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning
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HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT Heritage Markham recommends that Council pass the following resolution:

Whereas according to the Heritage Canada Foundation, Canada has lost more than 20% of its pre-1920 heritage buildings to demolition over the past 30 years;

Whereas the Heritage Canada Foundation has stated that urgent action is needed to stop the demolition of Canadian landmarks, to restore and re-use them, and to acknowledge their value as a reminder of our origins and cultures;

Whereas heritage buildings are also a valuable economic development resource, which support re-urbanization initiatives and tourism, stimulates adjacent development, increase property values, all while providing environmental benefits by way of reducing landfill, preserving natural resources and promoting sustainability;

Whereas there are currently no federal financial incentives to encourage private sector investment in the rehabilitation of heritage properties; and

Whereas Heritage Markham, Council's heritage advisory committee, has requested that the Town of Markham pass a resolution requesting the Federal government to introduce financial incentives which would encourage private sector investment in the rehabilitation of historic properties;

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Markham endorse resolutions by the Heritage Canada Foundation and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities that request the Federal Ministers of Finance and the Environment to establish tax incentives which would encourage private sector investment in the rehabilitation of heritage properties;

That his motion be forwarded to local Members of Parliament and area municipalities for their support;

That the Association of Ontario Municipalities support the work of the Heritage Canada Foundation and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities regarding the need for federal tax incentives by endorsing a resolution at its Annual Convention;

That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

5. INFORMATION

ONTARIO MUNICIPAL BOARD AND  
HERITAGE ISSUES LETTER  
BY MAYOR SCARPITTI (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

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HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

Receive as information.

CARRIED

6. HERITAGE PERMIT APPLICATION  
FILE NO. HE 08 131040  
35 ALBERT STREET  
NEW SIDING, FRONT DOOR AND PORCH (16.11)  
Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning
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HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT Heritage Markham receive the memorandum concerning the Heritage Permit Application for 35 Albert Street, approved by staff on behalf of Heritage Markham as information.

CARRIED

7. SITE PLAN APPROVAL APPLICATION  
COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT VARIANCE APPLICATION  
FILE NO. SC 08 127259 + A/02/09  
2 AILEEN LEWIS COURT  
MINOR VARIANCE APPLICATION (16.11)  
Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning  
P. Wokral, Heritage Planner  
R. Cefaratti, Committee of Adjustment
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HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT Heritage Markham has no objection to the requested variance to permit a maximum main building gross floor area of 158m<sup>2</sup> for the Thomas Bruels House which has been relocated to 2 Aileen Lewis Court, Markham Heritage Estates.

CARRIED

8. BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION  
FILE NO. 08/3/048 00000AL  
THE NORTH CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH  
OR MELVILLE CHURCH  
11248 KENNEDY ROAD  
INTERIOR ALTERATIONS + NEW HVAC SYSTEM (16.11)  
Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning  
P. Wokral, Heritage Planner
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HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT Heritage Markham receive the information regarding Heritage Section Staff's approval of the location of the proposed vents and exhausts to preserve the existing heritage basement windows of the church;

AND THAT Heritage Markham would like to thank the applicant and their architect for working with Heritage Section Staff to achieve a solution that respects the integrity of the original basement windows of the church.

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE (16.11)

Extract: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT HERITAGE MARKHAM receive the following correspondence:

1. Ontario Historical Society: Bulletin, December 2008 Issue

CARRIED

10. REQUEST FOR FEEDBACK  
202 MAIN ST. UNIONVILLE

PROPOSED NEW RESTAURANT DECK (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning  
P. Wokral, Heritage Planner

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The Heritage Planner explained that staff had not supported the original proposal and had made recommendations to the applicant regarding the deck height and retention of the historic veranda railing. The applicant has submitted revised drawings which are supported by staff, and which were presented to the Committee. The Committee requires that any previous deficiencies be corrected as a condition of approval.

HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT Heritage Markham supports the proposed deck for 202 Main St., as revised (January 14, 2009), with the condition that previous deficiencies are corrected;

AND THAT Heritage Markham does not object to the creation of a new doorway off the modern addition to 202 Main St.

CARRIED

11. MARKHAM HERITAGE ESTATES  
INTERPRETIVE PANELS (16.11)  
Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

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The Senior Heritage Planner was pleased to present illustrations of sample plaques. The colours will be the same as the Markham Remembered program, and the price quotes are reasonable. The Committee requested that the design be circulated to the Heritage Estates Community for comment.

HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT Heritage Markham supports the single-pedestal metal mount, finished in black, for the Markham Heritage Estates interpretive panels;

THAT the interpretive panels are to have the same colours and graphics as the Markham Remembered Plaques;

AND THAT the mock-up by staff be supported as the basis for the interpretive plaques for David Gohn Circle;

AND THAT the design be circulated to the Heritage Estates community for comments.

CARRIED

12. REQUEST FOR FEEDBACK  
BRIDGE REHABILITATION  
CARLTON ROAD  
MAIN STREET UNIONVILLE (16.11)  
Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning  
H. Sharif, Asset Management – Capital ROW

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The Senior Heritage Planner advised that the bridges on Carlton Road and Main Street Unionville are proposed to be modified to meet new safety standards. Staff had some concerns with the aesthetics of the plans presented by Asset Management staff, and the Committee was in agreement with their concerns. The Committee also expressed concern that the Ward Councillor had not been consulted by the Asset Management Department – Capital ROW.

HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT Heritage Markham does not support the proposed guard rail installation and modifications to the stone-faced bridge parapet as they are not aesthetically satisfactory in the context of the Unionville Heritage Conservation District;

AND THAT the Asset Management Department look into alternatives for the installation of the guard rail that will not impact the aesthetic appearance of the bridge, taking into consideration that traffic speed is quite reduced in this area due to the existence of a four-way stop and the road configuration;

AND THAT the Ward Councillor be consulted on the proposal by Asset Management Department – Capital ROW staff.

CARRIED

13. COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT CONSENT APPLICATION

FILE NO. B/26/08

60 ROUGE STREET

SEVERANCE APPLICATION (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning  
R. Cefaratti, Secretary of Committee of Adjustment

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The Manager of Heritage Planning explained the history of this proposal. A previous application to create two new lots (three in total) had been denied by the Committee of Adjustment and the Ontario Municipal Board. The applicant has now revised the proposal to create one new lot (two in total) both of which would comply with lot frontage and area requirements. In addition to proposed conditions, the new houses will be subject to Site Plan Approval and review by Heritage Markham.

HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT Heritage Markham has no objection to the proposed severance of the property at 60 Rouge subject to the following:

- significant vegetation being retained including the coniferous trees on the Rouge Street frontage of the property;
- any proposed new dwellings on the retained and severed lots comply with existing maximum lot coverage requirements and maximum net floor area ratio requirements to ensure that the dwellings are complementary to the scale and massing of other dwellings in the immediate area.
- That the dwelling for the Rouge Street lot have its front elevation facing Rouge Street.

CARRIED

14. HERITAGE WEEK PROCLAMATION

FEBRUARY 16-22, 2009 (16.11)

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

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HERITAGE MARKHAM RECOMMENDS:

THAT Council proclaim the week of February 16-22, 2009 as Heritage Week in the Town of Markham;

AND THAT correspondence from the Ontario Heritage Trust, be received.

CARRIED

15. NEW BUSINESS

Extracts: R. Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning

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A) WORKSHOP ON PRESERVING HERITAGE SCHOOLS

Staff advised of a workshop on the preservation of Heritage schools in February, and provided information sheets to anyone who was interested.

B) CELL TOWER, BUTTONVILLE

Committee enquired as to the status of the proposed Cell Tower in Buttonville, and staff advised that the issue was still being negotiated.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.