



**UNIONVILLE STIVER MILL PRESERVATION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES
APRIL 11, 2013
7:00 p.m.
UNIONVILLE TRAIN STATION**

Chairs:

Councillor Don Hamilton, Co-Chair
Councillor Carolina Moretti, Co-Chair

Members:

Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Ann Laxton – President of the Unionville Historical Society
Jeff Morris – President of the Unionville Ratepayers Association
Reid McAlpine – President of the Unionville Villagers Association
Rob Kadlovski – President of the Unionville Business Improvement Area
Jeanne Ker-Hornell – President of the Unionville Villagers Conservancy

Mandate:

The Council Committee mandate is to review and provide advice on the restoration, funding resources and the future use(s) of the Stiver Mill.

Attendance:

Members: Councillor Don Hamilton, Co-Chair, Councillor Carolina Moretti, Co-Chair, Jeanne Ker-Hornell, Rob Kadlovski, Ann Laxton, and Peter Miasek

Resource: David Johnston, Architect

Staff: Renee Chong, Project Engineer, George Duncan, Senior Planner, Project Engineer, Phoebe Fu, Senior Manager, Facility Assets, Regan Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning, Ravali Kosaraju, Engineering Technologist, Paul Ingham, Director of Operations, and Laura Gold, Council/Committee Coordinator

Regrets: Councillor Logan Kanapathi

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Item
1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks	The Unionville Stiver Mill Preservation Advisory Committee convened at 7:06 p.m. with Councillor Don Hamilton presiding as Chair. Councillor Don Hamilton welcomed residents and introduced the Committee and City staff.	
2. Pecuniary Interest	There was no pecuniary interest declared.	
3. Approval of the, Unionville Stiver Mill Preservation Advisory Committee Minutes	Moved by Rob Kadlovski Seconded by Ann Laxton That the February 21 & 25, 2013 Unionville Stiver Mill Preservation Advisory Committee Minutes be approved as presented. CARRIED	
4. Presentation on Stiver Mill and Station Lane Parking	Renee Chong provided a presentation on parking options for the Stiver Mill and Station Lane. The following was presented: 1. The elimination of on street parking due to requirements by Fire Services in accordance with the Building Code. 2. The safety benefits of angled parking versus perpendicular parking. 3. One-way street west bound, angled parking and eliminate on street parking. 4. One-way street east bound, angled parking and eliminate on street parking. 5. Two-way street, angled Parking, elimination of on-street parking. 6. Two-way street, perpendicular Parking, elimination of on-street parking (note: this option was added at the meeting based on feedback from the community)	

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5. Discussion on Options & Questions and Concerns	Staff recommendation: 1. Two-way street, angled Parking, Eliminate on-street parking <u>Questions</u> Question 1: It was questioned why parking at the Stiver Mill and on Station Lane has become an issue? Staff advised that the site was required to be modified, as it was discovered that the property line is currently extending onto CN lands. This results in the loss of 3 to 4 feet in the width of the lot. Consequently, there will no longer be enough space for the parking lot. Question 2: It was questioned if the welcoming space included in the Stiver Mill Site Plan could be removed from the plans to permit more room for a parking lot? Staff advised there would still not be enough room for a parking lot at the Stiver Mill. Question 3: What is the total number of parking spots being proposed at the Stiver Mill? Staff advised there will be 26 parking spots, noting that there are currently 24 parking spots at the Stiver Mill. Question 4:	

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	Will the trees at the Stiver Mill need to be cut down? Staff advised that one tree will be left untouched and that the other trees will be replaced. Typically, there are three trees planted for every tree removed from a property. Question 5: Will there be a comparable one way street if Station Lane is converted into a one way street? and can a four way stop sign be added at the corners of Eureka & Pavilion and to Union & Pavilion? Staff advised that they would first need to monitor traffic prior to adding any traffic controls (e.g. adding a comparable one way street or a four way stop sign). It was noted that adding a four way stop sign requires Council approval. Question 6: A resident questioned how Stiver Mill patrons would get in and out of the proposed diagonal parking spots? Staff advised that the spots were angled to improve the visibility of drivers when exiting the parking lot. The angle of the parking spots may also encourage drivers to back into the parking spots. Question 7: It was questioned if on street parking could be continued on the south side of Station Lane? Staff advised that on street parking on Station Lane will not be permitted as it does	

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	not meet current building and fire code. Furthermore, the road is not wide enough for emergency vehicles to reach households and businesses located on the laneway in a timely manner in an emergency. Question 8: It was questioned why the parking could not be angled the other direction? Staff advised that that parking cannot be angled the other direction as it would decrease driver visibility when pulling out of the parking lot. Question 9: If you eliminate on street parking could you go back to the original plans for parking at the Stiver Mill? Staff advised that they could not go back to the original plans, as a traffic conflict will still exist and there is still not enough room for the parking lot proposed in the original plans, as the property line still needs to be moved up 3 to 4 feet. Question 10: Can the speeding on Station Lane be addressed? Staff advised that the City will no longer install speed bumps, as it slows down the response time of Emergency Services. It was noted that traffic calming is a York Region Police issue. Question 11: Can the sidewalks be brought up to standard on Station Lane, as they currently do	

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	not meet accessibility standards and it is easy for people to trip on the curve of the sidewalk? Staff took note of this concern. <u>Concerns</u> Concern 1: A resident was not in favour of Station Lane becoming a one way street going westbound, as they did not think this would work logistically. Concern 2: A resident was not in favour of Station Lane becoming a one way street going eastbound. Concern 3: Concern that the that there will not be enough parking spots for local residents and businesses to use.	
6. Snow Removal and Parking	<u>Snow Removal</u> Councillor Don Hamilton reported that residents will no longer be permitted to put their snow on the Stiver Mill property and that City will likely be removing its snow from the property. <u>Parking at Stiver Mill</u> Residents were advised that they will not be permitted to park at the Stiver Mill for personal use during peak times. It was recognized that there are parking issues in the area that need to be resolved.	

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7. Committee and Public Recommendation	The Public and the Committee voted on the options presented. The following option was approved: Option 6 - Two-way street, perpendicular Parking, elimination of on-street parking (Note: The vote was 14 to 12 for Option 6 over Option 5) Staff advised that residents can continue to park on the street until a by-law is passed prohibiting parking on the Station Lane.	
8. Adjournment	The Unionville Stiver Mill Preservation Advisory Committee adjourned at 8:25 p.m.	