

Heritage Advisory Committee – 2018 Summary

The Heritage Advisory Committee advises Halifax Regional Council on matters relating to heritage buildings, streetscapes, and areas as set out in the *Heritage Property Act*. The Heritage Advisory Committee also advises the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee (CPED) on heritage matters not captured in the *Heritage Property Act*.

This summary is not an official record of all work and recommendations made in 2018. For more detail, please refer to the approved minutes available online at <https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/agendas-meetings-reports>

January 24, 2018

The Committee received a staff report and presentation on Case H00454: Request to Include the United Memorial Church, 5375 Kaye Street, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality. Using the provided evaluation criteria, the Committee awarded the property a score of 51 out of 100, and approved the following motion:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Regional Council:

- 1. Set a date for a heritage hearing to consider the inclusion of the subject property in the registry of heritage property for the Halifax Regional Municipality; and**
- 2. Approve the request to include 5375 Kaye Street in the registry of heritage property for the Halifax Regional Municipality, as shown on Map 1, as a municipal heritage property.**

February 28, 2018

The Committee received orientation presentations from staff on HRM Boards and Committees, and the specific heritage mandate of the Committee.

March 28, 2018

The Committee received a presentation from the Friends of Schmidville regarding the proposed Schmidville Heritage Conservation District. The Committee received a staff report and presentation on Case H00445: Schmidville Heritage Conservation District Plan, Bylaw, and Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and the Land Use Bylaw for Halifax Peninsula, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Give First Reading to consider the amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax and the amendments to the Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula as contained in Attachments C and D and schedule a public hearing;**
- 2. Give First Reading to consider the Schmidville Heritage Conservation District Plan and the Schmidville Heritage Conservation District Bylaw as contained in Attachments A and B, and schedule a public hearing; and**
- 3. Adopt the amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax, the Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula, Schmidville Heritage Conservation District Plan, and the Schmidville Heritage Conservation District Bylaw as set out in Attachments A, B, C, and D.**

The Committee additionally received a staff report and presentation on Case H00457: Barrington Street Heritage Conservation District Financial Incentives Program Closing, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Regional Council:

- 1. Approve a deadline of December 31st, 2018, for the completion of all eligible work and a deadline of March 31st, 2019, to receive all invoices, agreements, and other supporting documentation for outstanding applications of the Barrington Street Heritage Conservation District Financial Incentives Program, excluding the Keith Building (1588 Barrington Street) and NFB Building (1572 Barrington Street) applications;**
- 2. Approve a deadline of December 31st, 2019, for the completion of all eligible work and a deadline of March 31st, 2020, to receive all invoices, agreements, and other supporting documentation for the Keith Building (1588 Barrington Street) and NFB Building (1572 Barrington Street) applications of the Barrington Street Heritage Conservation District Financial Incentives Program.**

April 25, 2018

The Committee received a staff report and presentation on Case 20923: Application for a Development Agreement, 2720 Gottingen Street, Halifax – “The Narrows.” The Committee received presentations from community members Elizabeth Pacey Myles Baldwin relating to Case 20923, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Halifax and West Community Council:

- 1. Give notice to consider the proposed development agreement, as set out in Attachment A of this report, to allow a restaurant, pub and residential units within the existing building located at 2720 Gottingen Street;**
- 2. Approve the proposed development agreement, which shall be substantially of the same form as set out in Attachment A of this report; and**
- 3. Require the agreement to be signed by the property owner within 120 days or longer if warranted, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of the property owner, from the date of final approval by Council and any other bodies as necessary, including applicable appeal periods, whichever is later; otherwise this approval will be void and obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end.**

The Committee additionally received a staff report and presentation on H00458: 2018/2019 Heritage Incentive Program, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Regional Council approve the recommended grants to the properties listed in Attachment A, and approve as “standby” the recommended properties listed in Attachment B, conditional upon the applicants’ compliance with Section 29 through 35 of Administrative Order Number 2014-002-ADM.

May 23, 2018

The Committee received a staff report and presentation on Case H00452: Request to Include an Unaddressed Property on Great Beech Hill, Lower Sackville in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality. Using the provided evaluation criteria, the Committee awarded the property a score of 25 out of 70, and approved the following motion:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Regional Council deny the request to include an unaddressed property (PID 40347957) on Great Beech Hill Road, Lower Sackville, as shown on Map 1 of the staff report dated May 10, 2018, in the registry of heritage property for the Halifax Regional Municipality.

The Committee received a staff report and presentation on Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 2014-002-ADM Respecting the Heritage Incentives Program, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee:

1. Recommend that Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to Administrative Order 2014-002-ADM as outlined in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated May 8, 2018, so as to:

- A. Change the intake period for applications under the Heritage Incentives Program from the current intake period of January 1st through March 31st to September 1st through December 1st of each year;**
- B. Change the deadline for staff to provide a recommendation to the Heritage Advisory Committee on eligible grant applications from June 30th to March 1st of each year in order to better align approval of funding with the start of the fiscal year.**
- C. Prioritize applicants in future years if they were previously approved for funding and were unable to commence their approved work during that year so long as they notify the municipality in writing by July 1st of the year they were initially approved for funding.**

2. Recommend that Halifax Regional Council retain the current approval process for the Heritage Incentives Program which is referred to Regional Council for ultimate approval under Administrative Order 2014-002-ADM.

The Committee additionally discussed the preservation of remaining street poles on Spring Garden Road, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee request a staff report to examine the preservation and commemoration of historical infrastructure as part of the upcoming streetscaping along Spring Garden Road.

September 26, 2018

The Committee received a presentation from Peter Duncan, HRM Manager of Infrastructure Planning, regarding Blasting By-law B-600, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee request a staff report reviewing Blasting By-law B-600 to examine the impact of blasting on heritage properties, as well as identifying and incorporating adequate measures to mitigate damage to heritage properties caused by blasting.

The Committee received a staff report and presentation on Case H00462: Request to Include the Kenny-Dennis Building at 1740 Granville Street, Halifax, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality. Using the provided evaluation criteria, the Committee awarded the property a score of 77 out of 100, and approved the following motion:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Regional Council:

- 1. Set a date for a heritage hearing to consider the inclusion of the subject property in the registry of heritage property for the Halifax Regional Municipality; and**
- 2. Approve the request to include 1740 Granville Street in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality, as shown on Map 1 of the staff report dated September 9, 2018, as a municipal heritage property.**

The Committee received a staff report and presentation on Case H00464 - Request for additional financial assistance for St. Paul's Church, 1749 Argyle Street, Halifax, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the provision of in-kind financial assistance of a value up to but not exceeding \$150,000, with a net municipal project cost up to but not exceeding \$75,000, to the Parish of St. Paul's for the continued restoration of a portion of the perimeter ironstone wall and cast iron fencing surrounding St. Paul's Church in accordance with the Heritage Agreement dated November 24, 2017 and the proposed amendments thereto, with funding as outlined in the Financial implications section of the staff report dated August 23, 2018, conditional on:

 - a. The execution of an amendment to the Heritage Agreement dated November 24, 2017, and its registration at the Land Registry Office; and**
 - b. The execution of a Contribution Agreement with the Government of Canada;****
- 2. Authorize the CAO to negotiate, and the Mayor and Clerk to execute, an amending agreement to the November 24, 2017 Heritage Agreement between HRM and the Parish of St. Paul's, to include:

 - a. The provision of in-kind financial assistance of a value up to but not exceeding \$150,000, with a net municipal project cost up to but not exceeding \$75,000, for the continued restoration of a portion of the perimeter ironstone wall and cast iron fencing surrounding St. Paul's Church, subject to the execution of a Contribution Agreement between HRM and the Government of Canada;**
 - b. The identification of the new area to be restored in accordance with Map 1; and**
 - c. The completion date of the new work, being no later than March 31, 2019.****

The Committee additionally received a staff report and presentation on Case 21524: Application for a Development Agreement, 33-35 Pleasant Street, Dartmouth, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council:

- 1. Give notice of motion to consider the proposed development agreement, as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated September 14, 2018, to legalize an existing sixth dwelling unit at 33-35 Pleasant Street and schedule a public hearing;**
- 2. Approve the proposed development agreement, which shall be substantially of the same form as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated September 14, 2018; and**

3. **Require the agreement be signed by the property owner within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of the property owner, from the date of final approval by Council and any other bodies as necessary, including applicable appeal periods, whichever is later; otherwise this approval will be void and obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end.**

November 28, 2018

The Committee received preliminary staff presentations on cases H00456: Substantial Alterations to 1478, 1484 and 1494 Carlton Street, Halifax, and H00461: Substantial Alterations to 1452 and 1456 Carlton Street and 5969 College Street, Halifax.

The Committee additionally discussed conservation and restoration efforts for the Halifax Old Burying Grounds, as well as the possibility of a Municipal Archaeological Plan, with the following motion being approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee request that staff provide the Committee with periodical updates on the Old Memorial Library and plans for its future development.

December 12, 2018 (Special Meeting)

The Committee received a staff report and presentation on Case H00456: Substantial Alterations to municipally registered heritage properties at 5969 College Street and 1452 & 1456 Carlton Street, Halifax, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Regional Council:

1. **Approve the substantial alteration of 5969 College Street, known as the Gold Cure Institute building, as proposed in the staff report dated November 9, 2018 with the following conditions:**
 - a. **The property owner agrees to register the buildings, currently located at 5969 College Street, and 5963 College Street, as municipal heritage properties after these buildings are relocated to a new property; and**
 - b. **The Municipality will consider the deregistration of the property at 5969 College Street after the building (the Gold Cure Institute Building) is relocated to a new lot on the same street and an application is submitted for its registration as a new municipal heritage property.**
2. **Approve the substantial alteration of 1452 Carlton Street, Early Victorian Streetscape, as proposed in the staff report dated November 9, 2018; and**
3. **Approve the substantial alteration of 1456 Carlton Street, Early Victorian Streetscape, as proposed in the staff report dated November 9, 2018.**

The Committee additionally received a staff report and presentation on Case H00461: Substantial Alteration to municipally registered heritage properties at 1478, 1480, 1484 and 1494 Carlton Street, Halifax, and the following motion was approved:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Regional Council:

1. **Approve the substantial alteration of 1478 Carlton Street, Early Victorian Streetscape, as proposed in the staff report dated November 9, 2018;**
2. **Approve the substantial alteration of 1480 Carlton Street, Early Victorian Streetscape, as proposed in the staff report dated November 9, 2018;**

3. **Approve the substantial alteration of 1484 Carlton Street, Early Victorian Streetscape, as proposed in the staff report dated November 9, 2018; and**
4. **Approve the substantial alteration of 1494 Carlton Street, Early Victorian Streetscape as proposed within this report, conditional on the building currently at 5950 Spring Garden Road being considered as a character defining element through a heritage registration application.**

The Committee received a staff presentation on the Old South Suburb Steering Committee, and approved the following motion:

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee appoint Jenny Lugar and Derek Bellemore to serve on the Old South Suburb Steering Committee as the representatives from the Heritage Advisory Committee.