

NORTH YORK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PANEL

MINUTES

Report No. 1

Date of Meeting: Monday, January 14, 2008
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Committee Room #5, North York Civic Centre

Present: Mary Ann Cross, Mark Duffield, Karl Frank, Linda Gargaro, Edith Geduld (Chair), Alex Grenzebach, Ruth Kingma, Wilf Neidhardt, Steve Pitt, Lian Zhao

Absent: Councillor John Filion

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

The Panel adopted the proposed agenda, as amended, on a motion by M.A. Cross, seconded by M. Duffield. Carried.

There were no declarations of interest pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

PUBLIC MEETINGS - PRESENTATIONS:

There were no items of public meeting or presentation nature on this agenda.

2008-1-1 NYCPP Minutes (Report No. 7, November 27, 2007)
Moved by A. Grenzebach, seconded by M.A. Cross, that the minutes of the North York Community Preservation Panel meeting held November 27, 2007 be approved. Carried.

2008-1-2 Business Arising
7.2.2 Gibson House Museum (David Gibson's House, Ward 23)
The Chair reported that she received a call from Katy Peplinskie, Associate Editor of City Magazines, regarding the development status at the Gibson House Museum site. She answered some questions and suggested that Ms. Peplinskie contact the local Councillor and the Developer's representative (George Belza, Analogica). A copy of the resulting article, *Threat to Gibson House has passed from the Bayview Post*, was circulated.

2008-1-3 Election of Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer
The Chair asked members to seriously consider putting their names forward for election at the March meeting of the Panel. She offered to work with the new Chair and Vice Chair during the transition and will attend Preservation Board meetings to provide advice and assistance as required. She also offered to act as the Panel's Treasurer.

A list of duties and responsibilities of the Panel Chair will be forwarded to A. Grenzebach, for review and it will then be circulated to Panel members.

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A Board orientation session will be held on Thursday, January 17th at 5:00 p.m. Anyone who is interested in running for Panel Chair should consider attending. E. Geduld will attend.

2008-1-4 Financial Report

The Chair noted that parking costs for Panel members can be covered and supply items can be reimbursed upon submission of receipts. The Chair will purchase tokens for distribution to Panel members.

The budget for 2008 is not yet known. A summary of last year's expenses can be forward to anyone who is interested.

2008-1-5 939 Lawrence Avenue East (Shops on Don Mills) Ward 25: street names

On December 17, 2007 a meeting was held at Heritage Toronto, attended by Wendy Greenwood, Director of Marketing, Ontario Portfolio, Cadillac Fairview; Gary Miedema, Plaques & Markers Program, and Peggy Mooney, Executive Director, Heritage Toronto; Douglas Campbell and Edith Geduld, North York Community Preservation Panel. Following review and discussion, it was agreed that instead of 12 plaques on the commercial buildings, perhaps 2 plaques could be installed that recognize heritage people, industrial development and the Don Mills story.

Moved by M.A. Cross, seconded by A. Grenzebach, that a committee, consisting of Doug Campbell, Karl Frank and Edith Geduld, be formed to work on the plaquing project and consult with the Badone and Jeanne Hopkins. Carried.

Recommendations (with background information) will need to be ready by March for review by the Heritage Toronto Plaquing Committee.

2008-1-6 43 Rochester Avenue (A.J. Casson House) Ward 25

Kathryn Anderson, Heritage Preservation Services, will be presenting the Panel's request to list this property at a "Managers/Coordinators" meeting later this month.

2008-1-7 North York Hydro Building (5145-5151 Yonge at Empress) Ward 23

A request to review the withdrawal of this property from Toronto Preservation Board agenda some months ago was sent to Scott Barrett, HPS.

2008-1-8 William Goodwin House (355 Lesmill Road) Ward 34

The Chair will follow up with the North York Historical Society to determine their interest in doing some maintenance work to help preserve the building.

2008-1-9 Mazo de la Roche House (3590 Bayview Avenue) Zoroastrian Temple, Ward 24

E. Geduld advised that she has received the Heritage Impact Report for the property and offered to forward it by e-mail to anyone who is interested. She will be meeting with Michael McClelland and Paul Evans, ERA Architects, on Thursday, January 17th at 3:00 p.m. and asked that one of the new Panel members attend with her.

2008-1-10 Senator Frank O'Connor House, Garage and Outbuilding (5 Avonwick Gate) Ward 34

E. Geduld noted that a designation survey has not yet been undertaken and as a result the Intention to Designate has not yet been finalized. She reported that a recent development application at Graydon Hall Drive has resulted in the local councillor obtaining a Section 37 contribution from the developer to be used toward the restoration of this property.

A copy of the "O'Connor Irish Heritage House" 2008 calendar was circulated.

2008-1-11 North York Community Preservation Panel Flyer and Map Legend

The Chair will bring the display maps to the February meeting.

2008-1-12 Correspondence

1.12.1 City Clerk's Office (December 17, 2007)

Planning and Growth Management Committee – Protocol for Negotiating Section 37 Community Benefits. Council adopted the protocol, which is available on the City's web site.

1.12.2 Paul Dilse (December 20, 2007)

Heritage Planning Consultant. Request for Referrals. The Chair will respond on behalf of the Panel.

1.12.3 City Clerk's Office (December 24, 2007)

North York Community Council – Intention to Designate 85 Laird Drive (CNR Eastern Lines Locomotive Shop) Ward 26

1.12.4 Ontario Heritage Trust (January 14, 2008)

Heritage Week will be held February 18-24, 2008

2008-1-13 Toronto Preservation Board Report

October 11, 2007 Meeting:

Intention to Designate

305 George Street (Thomas Meredith House) Ward 27

6, 8, 10, 14 and 16 Glen Road, Ward 28

306 Sherbourne Street (Harriett Brown House) Ward 30

171 Midland Avenue (Scarborough Bluffs Refreshment Room) Ward 36

Inclusion on Heritage Inventory

Lonsdale Road Apartments (14 properties) Ward 22

443 Broadview Avenue (John Gallagher House) Ward 30

Heritage Conservation District: Requesting Approval of Alterations (Ward 20)

151 Yonge Street, 20 York Street, 7 Station Street in the Union Station HCD

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November 9, 2007 Meeting:

Intention to Designate

174 Old Yonge Street (St. John's Rectory) Ward 25

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Inclusion on Heritage Inventory

361 University Avenue (Toronto Courthouse) Ward 27

Heritage Conservation District

Cabbagetown Northwest Areas

Other

Toronto Transit Commission – signage in the Toronto subway (all Wards)

Demolition Application

Barns 14, 15, 22, 26 & 23, 1755 Steeles Avenue West (Connaught Campus)
Ward 10

2008-1-14 Meeting Dates

The next meeting of the Panel will be held on Monday, February 11, 2008 in Committee Room 5 at the North York Civic Centre.

It was agreed that meetings would remain on Mondays. Future meetings will be held on the following dates:

March 17, 2008

April 14, 2008

May 12, 2008

June 9, 2008

July 14, 2008

August 11, 2008

September 8, 2008

2008-1-15 Lawrence Park listings

Given that the creation of a Lawrence Park Heritage Conservation District is unlikely, it was suggested that the Panel begin to pursue listing of individual buildings, based on the research in the guide book entitled *Historical Walking Tour of Lawrence Park* by Barbara Myrvold and Lynda Moon.

A copy of the guidebook and the Heritage Property Nomination form were circulated.

2008-1-16 Heritage Preservation Services' Workshops

Kathryn Anderson will be leading a Research Workshop for Panel Members. Registration deadline is January 31, 2008. Scott Barrett will be leading a workshop on Standards and Guidelines. Registration deadline is January 25, 2008. E. Geduld will register on behalf of interested Panel members.

2008-1-17 Demolitions Reports

Demolition reports are provided weekly. E. Geduld will circulate the demolition reports by email for information and review. She noted that it is unlikely that the properties on these lists can be saved. The intention is to look for patterns of demolition that might affect neighbourhoods.

2008-1-18 Memberships

1.18.1 Community Heritage Ontario: The Panel's membership has already been renewed for 2008.

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1.18.2 Toronto Architectural Conservancy – membership is now due. Moved by A. Grenzebach and seconded by M. Duffield that the Panel's membership with the Toronto Architectural Conservancy is renewed at a cost of \$40.00. Carried.

1.18.3 Toronto Historical Association: The THA newsletter is normally forwarded to Panel members by e-mail. The Chair will continue to do so.

2008-1-19 Other Business

1.19.1 *Built Heritage News*: The Chair will forward the most recent copy to new Panel members who can determine whether they would like to subscribe.

1.19.2 Ontario Heritage Connections: The Chair recommended the Ontario Heritage Connections web site at www.ontarioheritageconnections.org as an excellent source of information.

1.19.3 Councillor John Filion (Ward 23) Web Site: E. Geduld will be meeting with Councillor Filion's staff to discuss the content of the proposed web site. It was suggested that the heritage information on the site should include the Panel's flyer and map. Glenn Bonnetta, (director of North York Historical Society) and Mary Ann Cross will also attend.

1.19.4 City of Toronto Archives: E. Geduld recommended the exhibit entitled *A Work in Progress: Preserving Toronto's Architectural Record* which will be running at the City of Toronto Archives (located at 255 Spadina Road) through 2008. The Archives are open Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday (to April 19th) from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Parking is available. Admission is free.

1.19.5 Heritage Showcase (Toronto Historical Association)
A Heritage Showcase will be held in the Rotunda at Toronto City Hall on February 28, 2008. Following discussion it was agreed not to apply for space.

1.19.6 Street Naming: Street naming requests are forwarded to the Chair from City Mapping and Surveying. The Chair has been circulating requests to the Panel for review in advance of Panel meetings. The City's Street Naming Policy can be emailed to those who are interested.

2008-1-20 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.