

TORONTO AND EAST YORK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE 27 May, 2008, 6:30pm

LOCATION Committee Room 4, Toronto City Hall

PRESENT Peggy Hlobil-Emmenegger (Chair), Pamela Craig, Jonathan Mousley, Melissa Mazik, Daniel Holland, David Pretlove, Gil Meslin

REGRETS Vidya Anderson, Jennifer Drinkwater, David Le Roy (Vice-Chair), Chennie Chen

NEXT MEETING June 24, 2008

ITEM

2008.4.1 **Adoption of Minutes**
Approved

2008.4.2 **Adoption of Agenda**
Approved

2008.4.4 **School Discussion**
A discussion arose pertaining to the recent article published regarding the New 11 Division Station for the Metro Toronto Police. Discussion was focused on the topic of the Toronto District School Board and how they are closing down a number of schools in the City, due to low numbers of students attending. The current situation is that 11 Division Station wants to take an abandoned school and demolish it, in order to rebuild a brand new station. The Police frown upon the idea of keeping the existing building, designating it and using it in their new scheme - claiming it will be too expensive to preserve the existing heritage facades. We agreed as a panel to investigate the City's potential heritage school sites (currently occupied or vacant) and recommend designation if deemed appropriate.

To initiate this study P. Hlobil-Emmenegger will source out and forward the Panel a list of the schools that have been listed as vacant and/or underused for further research by individual Panel members. The Panel will look into involving local community and organizations in research/feedback.

2008.4.5 **Up-to-Date List Indicating Listed/Designated Properties**
P. Hlobil-Emmenegger distributed lists indicating all listed/designated properties, by Ward, to the corresponding Panel members present. The remaining lists will be distributed to members present at the next TEYCPP meeting.

2008.4.8 **Demolition Review**
P. Hlobil-Emmenegger continues to send notices of demolition permits granted by the City to all Panel members via e-mail. The notices are for Panel members' information only.

- 2008.4.9 **Heritage Toronto Awards and Heritage Community Recognition Program 2008**
The members discussed the possibility of distributing awards or recognition to local firms/companies who demonstrate green design alongside with heritage preservation. They discussed that the recognition of preserving buildings in today's society goes hand in hand with sustainable and healthy design. In fact the idea of awareness, and those who demonstrate awareness for heritage and sustainability might be considered for recognition. The Panel will continue the discussion of raising Heritage Awareness at other meetings.
- 2008.4.10 **2008 Operating Budget and Special Community Event Fund**
This topic was combined with the Awards and Recognition above. The Panel came up with the idea that perhaps they can put the money towards the recognition of local work that emphasizes the importance of heritage preservation and sustainability. Examples include:
-speakers
-presentations
-heritage walks/tours
-invite people to see an HCD
-host a heritage celebration (gathering)
-ask local firms/companies who have demonstrated heritage preservation and awareness (possibly with sustainability as well) to provide a board (donate) to the panel and we could display them in the foyer of City Hall for community awareness.
-using the money for awards to the following firms/companies.
- 2008.4.11 **Heritage Toronto Conservation Committee**
Attended by Pam Craig on May 20, 2008.
 1. Bill Greer, Heritage Consultant and former Board member of Heritage Toronto made a presentation on the Los Angeles Heritage Inventory using it as a possible model for the expansion of the city of Toronto Heritage Inventory/Register.
 2. Heritage Toronto is currently developing a website that could act as a focus for people/groups seeking information on heritage in Toronto.
 3. First Parliament Site. Heritage Toronto would like to meet the Minister of Culture to encourage the province to continue working to develop the commemoration of the site of the First Provincial Parliament.
 4. Condo development at King, Church, Colbourne. The proposal is for an 8 storey podium and a total of 39 storeys. Heritage Toronto and local residents feel that this is excessively large and it is proposed opposite a significant row of 19th century buildings.
 5. The Etobicoke panel chair expressed concern with the proposal development of a condo adjacent to the Old Mill particularly as it is on a former parking lot that was part of an earlier agreement with the Old Mill that the property NOT be developed.
- 2008.4.15 **Notice of a Public Consultation for the Proposed Official Plan Amendments to authorize Section 37 funding of Heritage Conservation District (HCD) Studies: Mapping Areas for Potential HCD Research**
Ryerson students complete HCD map and present to the public on May 28, 2008 at Metro Hall in Rm. 308-309.
- 2008.4.16 **Welcome Daniel Holland as volunteer to the Panel**
- 2008.4.17 **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Mazik