TORONTO AND EAST YORK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE June 17, 2008, 6:30pm

LOCATION Committee Room 2, Toronto City Hall

PRESENT Peggy Hlobil-Emmenegger (Chair), Pamela Craig, David Pretlove, Vidya

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

REGRETS Jonathan Mousley, Melissa Mazik, Daniel Holland, Gil Meslin

NEXT MEETING July 15, 2008 (Committee Room 2)

ITEM

1. Welcome/Introductions

2. Adoption of Agenda

Approved

3. Adoption of Minutes

Approved

4. Comments from Panel Chair

Discussion re: potential buildings for listing in wards with a focus on schools. School boards are touchy about disclosing property info. With upcoming school closures, more buildings will be at risk. Decline in public school attendance and therefore increased closures may be attributed to the rise of other schooling alternatives (i.e.; home-schooling, Montessori schools, private schools, etc.) as people seek more flexible options for educating their children. There are no longer restrictions on where children can attend schools – often schools that have received higher test scores will have an overflowing roster of students.

5. Suggested Structures for Listing/Designation

Focus on school buildings within each ward. A discussion arose around obtaining a complete list of school buildings to cross check which structures may be already be listed or designated. Peggy noted that there some school buildings are being used for other purposes (i.e.; food banks, shelters, etc.) that will not show up in a regular school building inventory.

6. School Buildings

Discussion re: evaluating school buildings in each member's ward – to include both public and Catholic school buildings. Peggy, Dave P. and David L. proposed reviewing school listings to determine which ward each school belongs to for the panel. Jennifer volunteered to investigate the possibility of acquiring TDSB school maps for panel members.

7. Discussion regarding the Panel's role

Peggy raised the issue of expanding the Panel's role in the promotion of heritage around the city. Ideas included: mounting a photography exhibit of heritage schools; holding a design competition; approaching public works regarding a heritage design on public features such as manhole covers, tree grates or bicycle racks to raise awareness of local heritage (common in European cities); and increasing the Panel's participation in the planning approvals process (i.e.; city heritage plan).

8. Items for Upcoming Meetings

- Distribution of TDSB maps
- Ward presentations by Panel members

9. Toronto Preservation Board Report - 22 May 2008

Inclusion on Heritage Inventory
569 Broadview Avenue and 9 Tennis Crescent (Broadview Mansions) - Ward 30

10. Adjournment

Submitted by: Vidya Anderson