

NORTH YORK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PANEL

MINUTES

Report No. 9

Date of Meeting: Thursday, November 20, 2008
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Committee Room #5, North York Civic Centre

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

Regrets: Councillor John Filion, Steve Pitt

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

The Panel adopted the proposed agenda, with one additional item.

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.

- 2008-9-1 NYCPP Minutes** (Report No. 8, October 21, 2008)
Moved by W. Neidhardt, seconded K. Frank, that the minutes of the North York Community Preservation Panel meeting held October 21, 2008 be approved. Carried.
- 2008-9-2 Business Arising**
- 8-6 Humber River Bridge Inventory**
This item is on the agenda of the November 27th Toronto Preservation Board meeting.
- S. Pitt's report was circulated and received by the Panel.
- 8-10 939 Lawrence Avenue East (Shops on Don Mills) Ward 25**
Suggestions for the proposed time capsule were provided by A. Grenzebach and K. Frank and circulated for additions to be added.
- 2008-9-3 Chair's Report**
- 9.3.1 Community Preservation Panel Replacements**
The deadline for applications is November 21, 2008. The Etobicoke-York and North York panels will have applicants. The Selection Committee, which is comprised of three Toronto Preservation Board members and two Heritage Preservation Service staff, will conduct the interviews.

9.3.2 North York Community Preservation Panel Meetings 2009

Panel members were asked to indicate days that they would be available for meetings in 2009. The Chair will review and email the information to Panel members.

9.3.3 O'Connor Irish Heritage House Organization

On October 22nd, the Chair met with Mary Fay, Paul Farrelly (Board Members), Paul Maka (Heritage Preservation Services) and Geoff Geduld (President, North York Historical Society) at the NYHS offices at the Miller Tavern, to discuss the O'Connor Irish Heritage House project. E. Geduld noted that HPS staff has been asked to provide information and guidance with respect to applying for funding from the City's Heritage Grant Program.

Moved by M.A. Cross, seconded by A. Grenzebach, that the Chair be authorized to send a letter to the local Councillor expressing the Panel's continuing support of the O'Connor Irish Heritage House organization's efforts to raise funds to restore the property. Carried.

9.3.4 Toronto Preservation Board Informal Meeting

An informal meeting of the Toronto Preservation Board will be held on December 10, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. to review the application of Heritage Standards and Guidelines.

The Panel expressed its concern that the workshop offered at the Orientation Meeting, has not yet been organized. The Chair will follow up and report back.

2008-9-4 Financial Report

Parking (E. Geduld) \$20.00, Copies (Green Meadows) \$5.22, TTC \$22.50
Supplies \$74.76, Heritage Toronto Awards Tickets \$75.00, 5 *Lawrence Park*
booklets (HT nomination) \$35.00, Minutes (K. Harper) \$157.50, K. Frank
\$30.68, L. Gargaro \$15.78, M.A. Cross \$22.50.

Moved by W. Neidhardt, seconded by M. Duffield, that the expenses be approved as tabled. Carried.

M. Duffield circulated a draft template for the Panel's map and legend. E. Geduld will get an estimate for printing the maps before the November 30th deadline.

2008-8-5 Heritage Toronto

8.5.1 Conservation Committee Report

M.A. Cross reported on the Heritage Toronto Conservation Committee meeting held November 4, 2008. Items of discussion included:

- First Parliament Site
- Don Jail
- Heritage Toronto's role in heritage matters outside Toronto
- St. Lawrence North Market
- Guild Inn
- Heritage Toronto Exhibit/Website Presentation re. Threatened Buildings/Sites in Toronto

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8.5.2 Heritage Toronto 34th Annual Awards

The O'Connor Irish Heritage House Organization (nominated by the North York Historical Society) was the winner of the Community Heritage Award for the North York Community Council area. The North Toronto Historical Society (nominated by the Panel) was recognized in the program.

The Breden Galbraith House (22 St. Leonard's Avenue) was nominated in the William Greer Architectural Conservation & Craftsmanship Award Category is also recognized in the program.

2008-9-6 Lawrence Park Research Project

A. Grenzebach reported on the status of the Lawrence Park research project. He noted that he had contacted K. Anderson, Heritage Preservation Services, who provided a sample of her own research notes for use as a template. He will e-mail the template to Panel members who are working on the project, and will take photographs of each property.

Any concerns or problems should be forwarded to A. Grenzebach who will attempt to provide an answer, or ask K. Anderson for direction.

2008-9-7 1325, 1351 & 1365 Bayview Avenue (Ward 26) Talbot Apartments

At the October 23, 2008 meeting of the Toronto Preservation Board meeting, Councillor John Parker asked the Board to refuse the application for demolition of these properties.

On October 29, Council formally refused the application. It is expected that the issue will be appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board.

2008-9-8 Street Naming

9.8.1 225-239 Finch Avenue East (Ward 23)

The Chair reported that street names based on plants commonly used by early settlers, such as Herbgarden Mews and Cornflower Lane, are going forward to NY Community Council. Following discussion, the Panel agreed not to object to these names. The Chair will send an email to Mapping & Surveys advising that the panel would prefer that the heritage names previously suggested were also given consideration.

9.8.2 2205, 2225, 2235 and 2255 Sheppard Avenue East (Ward 33)

"Atria Boulevard" has been chosen as the name for this private street on the south side of Sheppard Avenue at Consumers Road. The name was chosen to strengthen the identity of the office development at this location.

It was moved by K. Frank, seconded by W. Neidhardt, that the Panel support the proposed name. Carried.

The item regarding the park renaming on Jessie Drive was tabled for review at a future meeting of the Panel.

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2008-9-9 Correspondence

9.9.1 North York Community Preservation Panel to City Council, October 28, 2008

Urging Council to refuse the application for demolition of the properties at 1325, 1351, and 1365 Bayview Avenue.

9.9.2 City Clerk's Office, October 29, 2008

Refusal of application for demolition of a structure on a Designated Heritage Property: 1325, 1351 and 1365 Bayview Avenue (Ward 26)

9.9.3 City Clerk's Office, November 14, 2008

Notice of adoption of Official Plan Amendment #38 authorizing the funding of Heritage Conservation District studies through Section 37 monies.

9.9.4 North York Community Preservation Panel to the City of Toronto Archives, November 14, 2008

Regarding papers found by current owners of the estate house (Green Meadows/The McDougald Estate, 5365 Leslie Street, Ward 33), enclosing originals. Copies have been sent to the Gibson House Museum and North York Historical Society.

2008-9-10 Toronto Preservation Board

There was no report.

2008-9-11 Other Business

9.11.1 85 Laird Drive (CNR Eastern Lines Locomotive Shop) Ward 26

The Chair reported that the original plan for a car dealership on the site has fallen through. Although the building is designated, it is at risk because it is not in use and is deteriorating. The by-law to prevent demolition by neglect (which has not yet been tested) might be applied in this case.

The Panel expressed its concern and authorized the Chair to obtain an update on the building's status.

2008-9-12 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled for January and will be held if needed. A. Grenzbach will chair the meeting in E. Geduld's absence.

2008-9-13 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.