

# **NORTH YORK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PANEL**

## **M I N U T E S**

### **Report No. 2**

**Date of Meeting:** Monday, March 22, 2010  
**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Committee Room 5, North York Civic Centre  
**Present:** Edith Geduld, Karl Frank, Linda Gargaro, Alex Grenzebach (Vice Chair), Geoff Kettel (Chair), Ruth Kingma, Wilf Neidhardt, Steve Pitt, Kevin Harper (Recording Secretary)  
  
**Regrets:** Mary Ann Cross, Mark Duffield, Councillor Cliff Jenkins, Councillor John Parker

#### **2010-2-1 ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

It was moved by A. Grenzebach that the proposed agenda be adopted, as amended. Carried.

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

#### **2010-2-2 NYCPP Minutes (Report No. 1, January 20, 2010)**

It was moved by W. Neidhardt and seconded by L. Gargaro that the minutes of the North York Community Preservation Panel meeting held January 20, 2010 be approved, as amended. Carried.

#### **2010-2-3 Delegations and Presentations**

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

#### **2010-2-4 Site Specific Items**

##### **2.4.1 Oakdale Golf and Country Club, 2388 Jane Street (Ward 7)**

The Panel was contacted by Barbara Heidenreich, Natural Heritage Coordinator with the Ontario Heritage Trust, regarding a grove of trees at Oakdale Golf and Country Club, which is located at the southwest corner of Jane Street and Sheppard Avenue West. The trees are possibly of provincial significance and may warrant designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

E. Geduld offered to contact Jack Radecki of the Ontario Urban Forest Council to ask him to provide an opinion as to whether the grove of trees meets the criteria for designation.

G. Kettel will forward the document which outlines the legislative tools available for the conservation of heritage trees and the criteria for designation to Panel members by e-mail.

**2.4.2 Asbury & West United Church, 3180 Bathurst Street (Ward 15)**

It was reiterated that the Panel is concerned solely with the heritage component of this matter (there are also issues regarding the residential development on the site). It was noted that E. Geduld and S. Pitt met with the congregant who initially brought the issue to David Zimmer MPP's attention, and that G. Kettel subsequently attended a meeting at City Hall with City staff and representatives of the congregation.

**2.4.3 460 Glencairn Avenue (Ward 16)**

E. Geduld reported that an application for demolition has been submitted for this house, which was built in 1939. She noted that she was contacted by Finlay Munro, who was apparently related to the builder of the house, and that Mr. Finlay has also contacted Councillor Karen Stintz.

E. Geduld will send a letter to Mr. Munro on behalf of the Panel (with a copy to Councillor Stintz) and will forward the information provided by Mr. Munro to Heritage Preservation Services.

**2.4.4 172 Finch Avenue West (Arthur Waine House) - Ward 23**

E. Geduld reported that she was quoted in a *North York Town Crier* article which referenced the Waine House. She noted that the family has sold the house and expressed concern that although an Intention to Designate is in place (meaning that the house will be treated as if designated when it comes to surveys and permits) the by-law has not yet been formally passed.

R. Kingma noted that the house is on the list of properties which will be affected by the construction of the Etobicoke-Finch West LRT line.

**2.4.5 3590 Bayview Avenue (Mazo de la Roche Residence/ Zoroastrian Temple) - Ward 24**

G. Kettel noted that he received an e-mail from Sherry Pederson of Heritage Preservation Services, asking him to submit copies of correspondence between the Panel and the Zoroastrian Society of Ontario (ZSO), in conjunction with a Freedom of Information Act request. The material was submitted as requested.

G. Kettel will follow up with HPS regarding the status of the site plan, which was submitted to the City by the ZSO late in 2009.

**2.4.6 Lawrence Park Research Project (Ward 25)**

A. Grenzebach reported that the research regarding the Lawrence Park properties is still in the queue for follow up by Heritage Preservation Services staff. He provided an update on recent developments in Lawrence Park, noting that the owner of 12 Dawlish Avenue plans to replace the existing house with a larger structure, and that 9 Dawlish Avenue was recently sold. He will investigate to determine whether there are any plans for replacement of the house at 9 Dawlish.

G. Kettel noted that he had received confirmation that completion of the HPS nomination forms for the properties was required to list items for the TPB agenda (see item 2.7.3.4 of the minutes) in addition to the Panel's approval (given at the last meeting) A. Grenzebach agreed to fill out the required forms for each of the six properties.

**2.4.7 2130 Bayview Avenue (William Booth Memorial College) - Ward 25**

A. Grenzebach reported that a new development proposal has been submitted for the site. He will attempt to follow up on the status of the heritage component from the original proposal.

**2.4.8 1110 Don Mills Road - Oak Tree (Ward 25)**

E. Geduld will contact Jack Radecki of the Ontario Urban Forest Council to provide an assessment of the English Oak tree which is located at the northwest corner of Don Mills Road and Lawrence Avenue East. The tree is approximately 60 years old.

**2.4.9 85 Laird Avenue – Ward 26**

G. Kettel reported that the Rezoning and Site Plan Application for the proposed retail, commercial and office complex development at 85 Laird was reviewed by the Design Review Panel on February 17, 2010. He indicated that the Panel had a number of comments and suggestions on the proposed treatment of the heritage building.

**2.4.10 2 Donegall Drive (Agnes Macphail Residence) Ward 26**

G. Kettel reported that, at its February 8, 2010 meeting, the Toronto Preservation Board passed a motion to support the nomination of the Agnes Macphail House as a candidate for designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

**2.4.11 1185 Lawrence Avenue East (Milne House) Ward 34**

G. Kettel reported that several meetings have been held recently regarding the Milne House. He noted that a working group has been established, which includes representatives from the City of Toronto, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, North York Historical Society, North York Community Preservation Panel, Don Mills Residents Inc., and Heritage Toronto. There is apparently some money available from the City and the TRCA Foundation to stabilize the building. To date there has been no decision regarding an adaptive use for the Milne House; ideas for adaptive reuse are welcome.

**2.4.12 60 Rowena Drive/5 Avonwick Gate (O'Connor House) Ward 34**

As reported in the press, the O'Connor Irish Heritage House has received a grant of up to \$2.1 million from the federal government for restoration of buildings at the O'Connor Estate.

**2010-2-5 City-Wide Items**

**2.5.1 LRT Route Planning and Heritage**

G.Kettel confirmed that he had sent a letter to the TTC/Transit City regarding the inclusion of heritage issues in the planning process for the Eglinton Crosstown LRT route (see correspondence 2.7.3.5).

R. Kingma confirmed that five of the proposed LRT lines affect North York and that there are five heritage building which will be affected by Etobicoke-Finch West line, two of which are designated. G. Kettel will send a letter to TTC/Transit City, similar to that sent for the Eglinton Crosstown line.

#### **2.5.2 OMB Decision re. Section 37 and HCD Studies**

G. Kettel reported that the appeal against the city's official plan amendment has been quashed and that Section 37 funds can now be used for HCD Studies. The full decision is available at <http://www.omb.gov.on.ca/english/eDecisions/eDecisions.html> (Decision PL081575).

### **2010-2-6 Panel Initiatives**

#### **2.6.1 North York's Modernist Architecture Inventory and Forum Follow-up**

E. Geduld reported that *Heritage Matters* (the Ontario Heritage Trust's publication) has expressed interest in providing information about the document and where it can be obtained. She noted several hard copies are still available through Heritage Toronto and that a PDF version can be downloaded at <http://era.on.ca/pdf/nyma2009.pdf>.

#### **2.6.2 Public Art**

There was no report. E. Geduld will continue to work on this item.

#### **2.6.3 Input into 2010 Budget Process**

G. Kettel reported that there has been no reply to letter that was sent from the Toronto Preservation Board to the Chief Planner in November. Councillor Kyle Rae has offered to follow up regarding the lack of response.

G. Kettel also noted that the City's budget for heritage grants has been reduced from \$250,000 in 2009 to \$211,000 for 2010.

### **2010-2-7 Administrative Items**

#### **2.7.1 Panel Financial Report**

There was no report. All expenses should be submitted to E. Geduld.

The Panel will hold a brainstorming session at a future meeting regarding the topic for a possible event in 2010.

#### **2.7.2 Panel Meeting Dates**

Meeting dates for 2010 have been confirmed as follows:

Wednesday, April 21, 2010  
Monday, May 17, 2010  
Monday, June 14, 2010  
Monday, July 19, 2010

### **2.7.3 Correspondence**

- 7.3.1 Inclusion on Heritage Inventory – 211 Laird Drive.  
Item NY30.44 – Adopted by City Council on January 26-27, 2010
- 7.3.2 Appointment to Fill Vacancy on North York Community Preservation Panel – Item NY31.16 – Adopted by City Council on February 22-23, 2010
- 7.3.3 Mary Macdonald, March 17, 2010 – Waiving of Tariff Fees at Land Registry Office for Municipal Heritage Committees
- 7.3.4 Mary Macdonald, March 18, 2010 – Process to List Items on the Toronto Preservation Board Agenda
- 7.3.5 (a) G. Kettel – January 26, 2010 – NYCPP letter to TTC/Transit City re. Eglinton Crosstown LRT Routes  
(b) TTC/Transit City response to NYCPP letter - February 11, 2010

## **2010-2-8 Committee Reports**

### **2.8.1 Toronto Preservation Board January 21, 2010 Decisions**

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2010/pb/decisions/2010-01-21-pb30-dd.htm>

### **February 18, 2010 Decisions**

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2010/pb/decisions/2010-02-18-pb31-dd.htm>

### **2.8.2 Heritage Toronto Conservation Committee**

Minutes of the January 12, 2010 and February 23, 2010 meetings of Heritage Toronto's Conservation Committee were circulated to Panel members by e-mail.

### **2.8.3 Humber River Bridge Inventory**

There was no report.

## **2010-2-9 Other Business**

### **2.9.1 Member Resignation/Replacement**

G. Kettel reported that Councillor Cliff Jenkins has been appointed to the Panel, replacing Councillor Howard Moscoe.

### **2.9.2 Building Storeys 2010**

G. Kettel reported that the Building Storeys exhibit at the Gladstone Hotel has been extended to April 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **2.9.3 Heritage Canada Foundation Awards**

Panel members were asked to review the criteria for nominations for the Heritage Canada Foundation awards and bring ideas for nominations to next meeting. Information is available on Heritage

Canada's web site at:

<http://www.heritagecanada.org/eng/services/awards.html>

**2.9.4 Toronto Historical Association Membership Renewal**

It was moved by E. Geduld and seconded by W. Neidhardt that the Panel's membership with the Toronto Historical Association be renewed in the amount of \$30.00. Carried.

**2.9.5 Bond Avenue Railroad Bridge - Ward 25**

K. Frank raised the issue of a railroad bridge near Bond Avenue and Leslie dating to 1912, which he believes should be listed. G. Kettel will forward a contact name to Karl so that he can investigate further.

**2010-2-10 Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.