

NORTH YORK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PANEL

M I N U T E S

2015 Report No. 6

Date of Meeting: Monday, July 20, 2015
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: NY Civic Centre, Committee Room 2
Present: Karl Frank, Rosanna Iaboni, Geoff Kettel (Chair), Connor Turnbull, Alex Grenzebach (Vice Chair), Leanna Butters, Daniel Rende
Regrets: Councillor Augimeri, Pat Main, Sam Ghose, Mary Ann Cross, Jamie Cameron

2015-6-1 ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was moved by L. Butters and seconded by D. Rende that the proposed agenda be adopted, as amended. Carried.

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

2015-6-2 NYCPP Minutes (Report No. 5, June 22, 2015)

It was moved by A. Grenzebach and seconded by R. Iaboni that the minutes of the North York Community Preservation Panel meeting held on June 22nd 2015 be approved, as amended. Carried.

2015-6-3 Delegations and Presentations

None.

2015-6-4 Panel Initiatives

6.4.1 Downsview (Wards 8,9)

5.4.1.1 Stanley Greene Neighbourhood

R. Iaboni reported that an artist had been chosen for the public artwork commissioned for the Stanley Greene neighbourhood.

6.4.2 Leaside (Ward 26)

4.4.2.1 Leaside Heritage Conservation District

No further update.

6.4.3 Status of NYCPP Heritage Nominations

No further update.

2015-6-5 Site Specific Items

6.5.1 Ward 23

6.5.1.1 C-I-L House Open Space (Sheppard Ave. at Doris Ave.)

The Panel's letter has been submitted to the City's Environmental Assessment project expressing concerns

about the impact of the South Service Road project on the C-I-L House Open Space. In addition, a nomination form for cultural heritage landscape has been submitted to Heritage Preservation Services, and a "What's Out There" Landscape Information Form has been submitted to The Cultural Landscape Foundation.

6.5.2 Ward 25

6.5.2.1 84 Weybourne Cres. , 49, 51 Lawrence Ave. East

The Panel's letter has been submitted to North York District Community Planning. The letter requests that a heritage impact study be required by the city, based on the recently OMB-approved Official Plan Policies on Heritage that include the requirement for impact assessment studies on adjacent heritage properties, which applies in this case.

6.5.2.2 George S. Pratt House (17 Mill Street)

Edith Geduld and Glenn Bonnetta of the NYHS advised G.Kettel that a building permit for renovation and repair has been posted on the house. It is a designated property and was included in the Directory to the Inventory of Heritage Properties, City of North York, December 1, 1996, page 63.

6.5.3 Ward 26

6.5.3.1 660 Eglinton Ave. East (Sunnybrook Plaza)

The Panel continues to monitor the situation.

6.5.3.2 146 – 150 Laird Drive

The Panel continues to monitor the situation.

6.5.3.3 33 Laird Drive

G. Kettel reported that on July 7, 2015, City Council adopted the staff report recommending the property for inclusion on the Register of Heritage Properties.

6.5.3.4 42–46 Overlea Boulevard (former Coca Cola Canada HQ building)

The Panel continues to monitor the situation.

6.5.3.5 1080 Millwood Road (Hydro One Transformer Station)

G.Kettel reported that he had not heard back from Hydro One in response to his inquiries.

6.5.4 Ward 33

6.5.4.1 Buchan Court (Wynyates Farm – Colonel Phillips Estate (former 1400 Sheppard Ave. east)

The Panel continues to monitor the situation.

6.5.5 Ward 34

6.5.5.1

1299 Don Mills Road (George Gray House)

G. Kettel reported that on July 7, 2015, City Council adopted the staff report recommending inclusion of the property on the Register of Heritage Properties.

6.5.6 Lane/Street Naming

6.5.6.1

Naming of a Proposed Street at the Development at 1185 Eglinton Avenue East (Ward 26)

The Panel does not support the name "Sonic" proposed by the developer. It does not add meaning to the site, unlike a heritage name, and brings to mind, "Sonic, the Hedgehog".

The Panel recommends that the street be named either after a member of the Taylor family or to recognize Sports Alliance Ontario.

The Taylor family made significant contributions to the pioneer community that is now part of North York. John Taylor and his brothers Thomas and George, owned land at the site as well as three paper mills, and a grist mill on the Don River. George provided funding for the construction of the first brick Don Mills Primitive Methodist Chapel, later replaced by the current Don Mills United Church building. In 1860, the three Taylor brothers granted a new deed to the Trustees of the Church, apparently to settle the exact boundaries of the church property.

William Taylor, one of George's sons, found clay good for making red bricks when digging fence post holes in 1882, and founded the Don Valley Brick Works (now the Evergreen Brick Works) with his brothers John F. Taylor, and George A. Taylor in 1889. It was one of the oldest and largest brick works in the province and the longest operating facility in Toronto and Ontario, remaining in operation until the 1980s. The bricks made were of such good quality that they won prizes at the 1893 Chicago World's Fair and the 1894 Toronto Industrial Fair.

John Taylor was a pioneer in the technical development of Canada's paper industry, being the first to develop and later patent a method of making paper from wood pulp instead of rags, in response to an 1854 English contest offering a reward of £1,000 to anyone who could find a substitute for rags as a raw source for paper.

The name "Ontario Sport" was also suggested, to recognize Sports Alliance Ontario and the site's long term association with multi-sports. Sports Alliance Ontario was for many

years the main tenant in a 10-storey office building formerly located on the site prior to being demolished. Sports Alliance Ontario had building naming rights and the sign was visible from the Don Valley Parkway. This name would acknowledge the site's long term association with multi-sports.

The names were discussed and "Ontario Sport" will be submitted to Land and Property Surveys, Engineering and Construction Services, in addition to names associated with the Taylor family.

2015-6-6 City-Wide Items

No items.

2015-6-7 Administrative Items

6.7.1 Panel Financial Report

R. Iaboni requested that expense forms and receipts be forwarded for reimbursement.

6.7.2 Future Panel Meeting Dates

September 21 (further to the July 20 meeting – Sept 21 cancelled)

October 19 (further to the July 20 meeting – Oct 19 brought forward to October 5)

November 16

December 14

6.7.3 Correspondence

6.7.3.1 July 77, 2015 NYCPP letter to Guy Matthew, North York Planning re Weybourne and Lawrence Townhouse development

2015.6.8 Committee Reports

6.8.1 Lawrence Park Heritage Committee

A.Grenzebach reported that an article in the Toronto Star discussed the pro and con views of Lawrence Park residents regarding the potential Lawrence Park West Heritage Conservation District.

6.8.2 Leaside Matters Committee

No report.

2015-6-9 Other Business

6.9.1 Heritage Toronto Walking Tour: "Thornccliffe Park – Arrival City" and Myseum on the Move – July 25 2015

This tour will be lead by G.Kettel and Sabina Ali, Chair, Thornccliffe Park Women's Committee.

6.9.2 2015 Architectural Conservancy of Ontario Awards

G.Kettel noted that the awards nominations are due August 14 2015, and requested suggestions.

6.9.3 Renewal of *Ancestry.ca* subscription

M.A. Cross requested that the Panel obtain an upgraded package at a cost of \$239.40 for use in tracing ancestors (consent of ancestors required by the City of Toronto Honourific and Street Naming Policy).
Motion: Moved by R.Iaboni, Seconded by D. Rende, Passed.

6.9.4 Interactive Map of Ward 22 Heritage Properties

Noted that this web site, located on Councillor Matlow's web site was a useful initiative, and deserved to be replicated.

2015-6-10 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.