

NORTH YORK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PANEL

M I N U T E S

2015 Report No. 8

Date of Meeting: Monday, November 16, 2015
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: North York Civic Centre, Committee Room 2
Present (members): Karl Frank, Rosanna Iaboni, Geoff Kettel (Chair), Alex Grenzebach (Vice Chair), Mary Ann Cross, Jamie Cameron, Daniel Rende
Present (guests): Anita Millar, Sarah Hill, Jane Clark, Laura Wickett, Megan Albinger, Evan Manning, Pancheta (Pat) Barnett
Regrets: Councillor Augimeri, Leanna Butters, Pat Main, Sam Ghose, Connor Turnbull

2015-8-1 ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was moved by R. Iaboni and seconded by K. Frank that the proposed agenda be adopted, as amended. Carried.

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

2015-8-2 NYCPP Minutes (Report No. 7, October 5, 2015)

It was moved by M.A. Cross and seconded by J. Cameron that the minutes of the North York Community Preservation Panel meeting held on October 5, 2015 be approved, as amended. Carried.

2015-8-3 Delegations and Presentations

Guests from Toronto and East York Community Preservation Panel were introduced

2015-8-4 Panel Initiatives

8.4.1 Downsview (Wards 8, 9)

8.4.1.1 Downsview Park

R. Iaboni reported that Downsview Park had hired American artist Michael Singer Studio to design three public art installations at the Stanley Greene neighbourhood. Rosanna sent a letter to his office expressing the community's desire to see Downsview's heritage story, as expressed in public art, being: first, the Boake family farm; then a leader in the aerospace industry, and finally a military base.

8.4.2 Leaside (Ward 26)

8.4.2.1 Leaside Heritage Conservation District

G. Kettel reported that the Leaside Property Owners Association identified the need for a comprehensive action plan incorporating heritage and planning measures to address the challenges facing the community. They are meeting with Joe Nanos, Director, Community Planning, North York District and Tamara Anson-Cartwright, Program

Manager, Heritage Preservation Services (HPS) to discuss interim measures and strategies on November 17 2015.

8.4.3 Status of NYCPP Heritage Nominations

The updated chart was received for information.

2015-8-5 Site Specific Items

8.5.1 Ward 16

8.5.1.1

2490-2514 Yonge Street , 12 Castlefield Ave.

Lytton Park Residents Assn has agreed to submit a heritage nomination package for this property which includes the Capitol Theatre. The question was raised as to whether the Orange Lodge (former school house) behind the Yonge street properties was included in the land sale.

Moved by A. Grenzebach, seconded by D.Rende, that the Panel express its support for the heritage nomination of the 2490-2514 Yonge Street, 12 Castlefield Ave. property.
Passed

8.5.2 Ward 23

8.5.2.1

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

G. Kettel reported that he had been advised that options to reduce the impact on the Open Space were being actively considered by staff.

8.5.2.2

171 Finch Avenue. West (Arthur Waine House) and development proposal re 172-180 Finch Ave. West and 1-11 and 23 Grantbrook

The OMB hearing date was October 19, 2015; the decision was unavailable.

8.5.2.3

90 Burndale Ave. (Joseph Shepard House)

G. Kettel reported that he has not heard back from HPS to determine whether HPS approved the changes that have been carried out.

8.5.3 Ward 25

8.5.3.1

84 Weybourne Crescent , 49 and 51 Lawrence AvenueEast

A. Grenzebach noted that HPS had stated in writing that the Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) submitted by ERA Architects on behalf of the applicant failed to meet the City's requirements for a HIA.

8.5.3.2

George S. Pratt House (17 Mill Street)

The Panel continues to monitor the situation.

8.5.3.3

132 Blythwood Road

A. Grenzebach reported that he has had no response from HPS to his request for an inspection.

8.5.4 Ward 26

8.5.4.1 1747-1749 to 1783-1785 Bayview Ave. Quadrplexes

The Panel continues to monitor the situation.

8.5.4.2 146 – 150 Laird Drive

HPS brought forward the Intention to Designate report for 150 Laird and a heritage evaluation for 146 Laird Drive to the Toronto Preservation Board (TPB) on November 5th 2015. The Intention to Designate for 150 Laird was recommended to City Council and the heritage evaluation for 146 Laird Drive was received (no heritage action to be taken). However North York Community Council passed a resolution to direct the Senior Manager, HPS, to review the architectural value of the west elevation of the building at 150 Laird Drive and report directly to City Council for its meeting on December 9, 2015, on any recommended revisions to the Statement of Significance and Heritage Attributes of the property.

8.5.4.3 33 Laird Drive

The Panel continues to monitor the application.

8.5.4.4 42–46 Overlea Boulevard (former Coca Cola Canada Headquarters building)

The planning application was approved by City Council at its November 2015 meeting; however the gas pumps will be subject to a separate approval process after the facility is operational.

8.5.4.5 1080 Millwood Road (Hydro One Transformer Station)

G.Kettel will again contact Hydro One due to non-response to his inquiries.

8.5.4.6 Overlea Boulevard – Nomination as Cultural Heritage Landscape

The nomination is being finalized. It was noted that the City has not yet developed Cultural Heritage Landscape guidelines to allow it to assess applications. It was suggested that the Panel investigate the possibility of a joint Forum on Cultural Heritage Landscapes with other Panels and partners

8.5.4.6 19 Esander Road

The applicant was required to provide an archeological report for this property based on prior uses (William Lea's farm, railway roundhouse). The report is no public information but would need to be requested from the applicant

8.5.4.7 939 Eglinton Ave East

This is the site of a major development application for Eglinton/Brentcliffe area. G.Kettel wrote an article on the history of the commercial/industrial property <http://leasidelifenews.com/the-largest-development-so-far/>

8.5.5 Ward 33
8.5.5.1

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

The August 13th, 2015 edition of the *North York Mirror* had a front page story on the proposed changes to Wynyates. <http://www.insidetoronto.com/news-story/5787396-north-york-general-hospital-looking-to-transform-phillips-house/>

8.5.6 Ward 34
8.5.6.1

33 Sagebrush Lane

This notable Modernist property in the Henry Farm area was written up by Dave Leblanc in the *Globe and Mail*. <http://www.theglobeandmail.com/life/home-and-garden/architecture/a-great-secluded-home-that-kept-its-1960s-charms-intact/article26904912/>

8.5.7 Lane/Street Naming

8.5.7.1

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

The Panel was informed that Councillor Burnside supports the name "Sonic", as suggested by the applicant.

The names recommended by North York Community Preservation Panel, listed in order of priority were:

1.0 Names recognizing the Taylor family, early settlers who were very important to the pioneer community and contributed greatly to it through owning and operating three paper mills and one grist mill, providing funding for land and the building of the first brick church of the Don Mills Primitive Methodist Chapel, later replaced with the current Don Mills United Church building. In John Taylor's case, he made a great contribution to Canada's pulp and paper industry.

The great-great-great granddaughter of John Taylor Senior was located and was pleased to grant consent to the commemoration of the Taylor family through a street naming, as required by the City of Toronto Honourific and Street Naming Policy.

1.1 John Taylor, the name of the settler who emigrated from Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, England, and also the name of his oldest son, John, who 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.

1.2 George Taylor, the third son of John Taylor Senior, who provided funding for the construction of the first brick Don Mills Primitive Methodist Chapel, later replaced with the current Don Mills United Church building.

1.3 William Taylor, one of George's sons, who found clay good for making red bricks when digging fence post holes in 1882, and who 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.

1.4 Thomas Taylor, the second son of John Taylor Senior, who owned and operated three paper mills, and a grist mill with his brothers.

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

3.0. Uttoxeter, the birth place of John Taylor, Thomas Taylor and George Taylor in Staffordshire, England.

8.5.7.2 Naming of a Proposed Street in the Development at 151 McNicoll Avenue (Ward 24)

The naming of the proposed street in the development at 151 McNicoll Avenue as "Queen Magdalen Place", the applicant's requested name, was reviewed.

The Panel had recommended "Scrace" or "Henry Scrace". Henry Scrace was an early settler who owned land where the first log Primitive Methodist church and log Zion Schoolhouse were built, near the proposed development. By 1873, he had granted an acre of land for a "church, sabbath school and burying ground", on which a new red brick church, the Zion Primitive Methodist Church was built, now the Zion Church Cultural Centre.

As required by the City of Toronto Honourific and Street Naming Policy, the Panel located a descendant of Henry Scrace to grant consent for the street to be named in commemoration of him.

The North York Community Preservation Panel's recommendation used the phrase, "prefers a local heritage name to "Queen Magdalen"" before listing the above heritage names, rather than "does not support", in deference to the biblical name. The NYCPP was informed that the phrase had been interpreted to mean that the Panel had not commented on the acceptability of the proposed name or expressed objections. "Queen Magdalen Place" was authorized for use in the Draft Plan of Subdivision, without going to North York Community Council.

2015-8-6 City-Wide Items

8.6.1 Yonge-Eglinton Growth, Built Form and Infrastructure Review

The Midtown Planning Group is holding a public meeting on November 30, 2015. G.Kettel will attend.

2015-8-7 Administrative Items

8.7.1 Panel Financial Report

R. Iaboni requested the members to submit their 2015 expenses ASAP.

8.7.2 Future Panel Meeting Dates

December 14 (cancelled)

January 18, 2016

February 22

March 21

April 18

May 16

June 20

All meetings in Committee Room 1

8.7.3 Correspondence

None

2015.8-8 Committee Reports

8.8.1 Lawrence Park Heritage Committee

A. Grenzebach reported that the Lawrence Park Heritage Committee had received the Heritage Toronto Community Award for the North York Community Council area (\$500)

A Century Home meeting was held on October 20, 2015 and an HCD community consultation meeting was held on October 28, 2015.

8.8.2 Leaside Matters Committee

No Update

2015-8-9 Other Business

8.9.1 Culture Strategy for Ontario

It was noted that a town hall meeting was being held in Toronto on November 23, 2015 and that the deadline for submissions to the Ministry was December 8 2015

2015-8-10 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.
