



History and Heritage Advisory Committee

Minutes

September 15, 2021, 4:00 p.m.

Via Microsoft Teams

PRESENT: Valerie Adolph, Community Member (entered meeting at 4:03 p.m.)
Moti Bali, Community Member (left meeting at 4:44 p.m.)
Gary Gumley, Community Member
Ashok Gupta, Community Member
Toby Pascal, Committee Member

NON-VOTING MEMBERS: Charlene Garvey, White Rock Museum and Archives

COUNCIL: Councillor David Chesney, Chairperson (non-voting)

ABSENT: Patti Ghuman, Community Member

STAFF: Eric Stepura, Director of Recreation and Culture
Elizabeth Keurvorst, Manager of Cultural Development
Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Number 2021-HHAC-001: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the History and Heritage Advisory Committee adopt the agenda for the September 15, 2021 meeting as circulated.

Motion CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion Number 2021-HHAC-002: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the History and Heritage Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the March 3, 2021 meeting as circulated.

Motion CARRIED

4. INTRODUCTIONS

Roundtable introductions took place.

V. Adolph entered the meeting at 4:03 p.m.

5. REVIEW OF COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE AND MANDATE

The Director of Recreation and Culture provided a presentation on the Committee Terms of Reference and mandate.

The Chairperson provided a brief overview of the inception and past accomplishments of the History and Heritage Advisory Committee.

6. 2021-2022 WORK PLAN

The Committee discussed potential items for their 2021-2022 Work Plan.

Note: Previous Committee Action Tracking document was provided for information purposes.

Motion Number 2021-HHAC-003: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the History and Heritage Advisory Committee recommends to Council that a working group (comprised of committee members G. Gumley, A. Gupta and a staff liaison) is formed to investigate the history and significance of Memorial Park's name, as well as to investigate the possibility of changing the name and whether there is community interest in doing so.

Motion CARRIED

ACTION ITEM: The Director of Recreation and Culture and The Manager of Cultural Development to explore applicable grant opportunities with Heritage BC and Heritage Canada that could potentially align with the Committee’s work plan priorities.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to provide Committee members with a link to the November 4, 2020 History and Heritage Advisory Committee meeting video recording, which included a presentation regarding heritage designation and inventory creation, for information purposes.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to provide Committee members with a link to the March 3, 2021 History and Heritage Advisory Committee meeting video recording, which included a presentation of research completed by a working group regarding heritage designation for Marine Drive, for information purposes.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to distribute a digital copy of the “Welcome to White Rock” brochure to Committee members, which includes relevant history and heritage details, for information purposes.

Motion Number 2021-HHAC-004: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the History and Heritage Advisory Committee recommends that “Item 8 – Pop-Up Gallery Exhibit” be removed from the Work Plan priority list and the Action Tracking document.

Motion CARRIED

Motion Number 2021-HHAC-005: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the History and Heritage Advisory Committee recommends that the development of a History and Heritage component on the City website’s Story Map be carried over as a 2021-2022 Work Plan item.

Motion CARRIED

M. Bali left the meeting at 4:44 p.m.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to share the City website’s Story Map page with Committee members, for information purposes.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to distribute the password for the Heritage BC login to all Committee members, which provides access to all Heritage BC resources and information.

During roundtable discussion, the Committee suggested the following items as priorities for their 2021-2022 Work Plan, to be finalized at their next meeting:

- **Development of a heritage landing page on the City website;**
- **Inventory of historic buildings and sites to be displayed on the City website;**
- **Renaming of Totem Plaza (already in progress):** collaborate with Semiahmoo First Nation to create a storyboard;
- **History of the Semiahmoo First Nations people;**
- **The White Rock:** explore opportunities to collaborate with Semiahmoo First Nation to better maintain, upgrade and recognize this as the iconic namesake of this community;
- **Memorial Park name change:** form a working group to investigate this idea further; and,
- **Storyboards on Semiahmoo First Nation history.**

7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

None

8. **INFORMATION**

8.1 **COMMITTEE ACTION TRACKING**

Corporate Administration provided an action-tracking document to the Committee for information. The attached spreadsheet template will be updated after each meeting and provided to members for information.

9. **2022 MEETING SCHEDULE**

The Committee discussed the proposed meeting schedule and whether they would like to recommend an additional meeting for this year.

Motion Number 2021-HHAC-006: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the History and Heritage Advisory Committee recommends that Council approve the Committee holding an extra meeting in early-mid November 2021, as the meeting schedule permits.

Motion CARRIED

Motion Number 2021-HHAC-007: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the History and Heritage Advisory Committee approves the 2022 schedule of meetings (taking place from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.) as follows:


- January 6, 2022;
- April 7, 2022;
- July 7, 2022; and,
- September 14, 2022.

Motion CARRIED

10. **CONCLUSION OF THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 HISTORY AND HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Chairperson declared the meeting concluded at 5:31 p.m.

Councillor Chesney, Chairperson



Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk