

**GASTOWN HISTORIC AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE
A G E N D A**

DATE: Wednesday, June 21, 2017
TIME: 4 p.m.
PLACE: Woodward-5A-W Room, 5th floor
Woodward's Heritage Building
111 West Hastings Street
Vancouver, B.C. V6B 1H4

Please call 604-873-7141 if you are unable to attend this meeting

1) Adoption of Agenda and Minutes 4.00PM - 4.05PM

Proposed meeting Agenda, and Minutes of May 17, 2017 to be adopted

2) Gastown Policy Review 4.05PM - 5.30PM

Preparation for Meeting with General Manager of Planning, Urban Design, and Sustainability

On February 17, 2016, GHAPC met with the City of Vancouver's Acting General Manager Planning & Development to discuss Gastown's heritage planning policy and associated heritage programs. With last year's appointment of Gil Kelley as General Manager of Planning, Urban Design, and Sustainability, the Committee has requested a similar meeting with Mr. Kelley which is currently scheduled for July 19, 2017.

In preparation for this upcoming meeting, the Committee will have a working session to identify key topics for discussion with Mr. Kelley. For reference, the following was minuted after the February 17, 2016 meeting with the Acting General Manager:

"THAT the Gastown Historic Area Planning Committee (GHAPC), after identifying the following issues related to the Gastown Heritage Conservation Policy, requests that the Director of Planning further review and address them accordingly:

- 1) Effective heritage incentives need to be reinstated for Gastown.
- 2) The use of discretion by the Director of Planning and/or the Development Permit Board needs to be reassessed, to consider limiting it or eliminating it to ensure there is a respectful balance among various interests (this includes stakeholders such as the City, residents, developers etc.) and that the heritage character of HA-2 is maintained.
- 3) Clarification is needed on the rationale and direction for consideration of non-conforming [for instance, proposals that are of a scale and character that is not consistent with Gastown] development proposals that, in some cases, may have taken place prior to presentation to GHAPC.
- 4) Contradictory aspects of the HA-2 Design Guidelines and HA-2 District Schedule need to be aligned to ensure consistency, regarding the permitted height for a building (i.e. Section 4.3 of

the HA-2 District Schedule indicates permitted height is 22.9 meters; Section 4.1.2 of the HA-2 Design Guidelines indicates permitted height for a heritage building is its existing height).
5) To better reflect current heritage tools and heritage values, and to remind proponents of community expectations, two key documents should be clearly referenced in the HA-2 District Schedule and the HA-2 Design Guidelines. This includes the Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada (2010) and the Statement of Significance for Gastown as a national historic site.”

Staff: Zlatan Jankovic, Heritage Planner

Next meeting:

DATE: July 19, 2017
TIME: 4:00 p.m.
PLACE: Woodward's "W" Room, 5th floor
Woodward's Heritage Building
111 West Hastings Street
Vancouver, B.C. V6B 1H4