MINUTES OF THE

CHINATOWN HISTORIC AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

April 14, 2016

A meeting of the Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee (CHAPC) was held on Tuesday, April 14, 2016 at 5:30 pm, in the Boardroom of the Chinese Cultural Centre, 50 East Pender Street, Vancouver, BC.

PRESENT: Matthew Halverson (Chair Elect)

Helen Lee (Vice-Chair Elect)

Gregory Borowski

Kelly Ip

Andrew Lau (arrived 6:04 p.m.)

Kenneth Liu (arrived 5:53 p.m.; departed 6:50 p.m.)

Edmund Ma

Inge Roecker (arrived 5:45 p.m.; departed 7:11 p.m.)

Mark Silvanovich (arrived 6:02 p.m.)

Ken Wong Brian Yu

ABSENT: Doris Chow

Councillor Kerry Jang Councillor Raymond Louie

Commissioner Erin Shum, Parks Board

Trustee Allan Wong, Vancouver School Board

ALSO PRESENT: Zlatan Jankovic, Heritage Planner

Karl Vinge, Intern Architect (Item 2)

Executive Officers,

Lim Sai Hor Kow Mock Benevolent Association (Item 2)

RECORDING SECRETARY: Rae Ratslef, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

With a quorum present, Chair Halverson called meeting to order at 5:46 pm.

1) Adoption of Agenda and Minutes

MOVED by Helen Lee

AND SECONDED by Gregory Borowski

THAT the Agenda for the Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee (CHAPC) meeting scheduled April 14, 2016 be adopted with amendment to add Item 3, Pender Street Sidewalk Repair Project.

CARRIED

MOVED by Helen Lee AND SECONDED by Kelly Ip

THAT the Minutes for the Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee (CHAPC) meeting held January 12, 2016 be adopted with amendment to note Committee member Doris Chow as being in attendance.

CARRIED

2) 525 Carrall Street-DE420155 VHR "C", "M"

Karl Vinge, Intern Architect, introduced the proposal to conserve the exterior of the Lim Sai Hor Association Building located at 525 Carrall Street in Chinatown. With reference to displayed design drawings, he presented the proposed Carrall Street and Shanghai Alley facades.

5:45 p.m.

Inge Roecker arrived at the meeting.

Mr. Vinge received comments and responded to questions regarding the brickwork, façade proportions, roof replacement, seismic and structural upgrades, and preservation/restoration.

5:53 p.m.

Kenneth Liu arrived at the meeting.

Mr. Vinge received comments and responded to questions regarding project scope, operability of windows, and placement of the fire exit ladder.

6:02 p.m.

Mark Silvanovich arrived at the meeting.

Mr. Vinge received comments regarding SUCCESS's support for the proposed project.

6:04 p.m.

Andrew Lau arrived at the meeting.

Zlatan Jankovic, Heritage Planner, responded to questions regarding the Heritage Façade Rehabilitation Program, and the City's sign permitting procedure.

Mr. Vinge received comments and responded to questions regarding the paint colour matching process, voluntary plumbing and electrical upgrades to the interior, and project timeline.

MOVED by Edmund Ma AND SECONDED by Kenneth Liu

THAT the Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee (CHAPC) supports the proposal to conserve the exterior of the Lim Sai Hor Association Building located at 525 Carrall Street, with consideration to the following:

- Support for the grant applications to conserve the two principal facades
- Further design detailing of the glazing on the Carrall Street façade to be more consistent with the historic conditions
- Recommendation to incorporate identifying signage on the Carrall Street façade in both Chinese and English
- Restoration of the historical signage identifying the Society entrance.

CARRIED

3) Pender Street Sidewalk Repair Project

Jeff Moi, Streets Engineer, Streets and Electrical Design, Engineering Services, provided information on the Pender Street Sidewalk Repair Project to restore service connections and repair road damage when the water main was installed.

With reference to enlarged photographs, Mr. Moi discussed the current brickwork in front of the Chinese Cultural Centre (CCC) and present day issues relative to water pooling and uneven pavers. The need to repair/replace the pavers on City property, and the opportunity to at the same time coordinate with the CCC to repair/replace pavers on its property was noted.

6:50 p.m.

Kenneth Liu departed the meeting.

Mr. Moi received comments and responded to questions regarding the property line, interest of the CCC to work with the City to replace all of the pavers at the same time, options to replace the concrete, high cost of maintaining pavers, estimated time of installation of the current pavers, and anticipated timing for improvements.

7:11 p.m.

Inge Roecker departed the meeting.

It was confirmed that the City would check on timing and will continue discussions with the CCC about moving forward with repairs as soon as possible.

7:26 p.m.

Edmund Ma departed the meeting.

MOVED by Mark Silvanovich AND SECONDED by Gregory Borowski

THAT the Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee (CHAPC) supports the repair of the sidewalk and plaza in front of the Chinese Cultural Centre, with consideration to:

- Maintaining the historic visual prominence and heritage value of the red plaza potentially by re-bedding the existing terracotta pavers
- Importance of completing the repairs before the tourism season begins
- Recommendation to develop a conservation plan if the choice is to substantively change the plaza material, including on the City property adjacent to the plaza gate where the similar material exists, as it could potentially remove heritage value.

CARRIED

Next meeting:	
DATE: TIME: PLACE:	May 12, 2016 5:30 pm Chinese Cultural Centre Boardroom, 50 East Pender Street
	The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

	Chair
	Date Approved