

**MINUTES OF THE
GASTOWN HISTORIC AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE**

MAY 15, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Gastown Historic Area Planning Committee was held on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at 4:00 p.m., at the Water Street Café, 300 Water Street, Vancouver, BC.

PRESENT: Carol Sill, Community Resident Owner, Chair
Alan Davies, Community Architect
Jim Lehto, Community Heritage Representative
Ashley Pope, Community Architect
Nic Meyer, Community Hospitality
Glade Schoenfeld, Community Engineer

ABSENT: Glenda Bartosh, Local Property Owner
Will Beale, Community Resident Tenant
Chris Fair, Community Business Representative, Vice Chair
Tony Tang, Councillor, Liaison to GHAPC

ALSO PRESENT: Carl Funk, Southwood Ventures Inc. (item 1)
Tom Wanklin, DTES Senior Planner (item 2)
Zlatan Jankovic, Heritage Planner

RECORDING SECRETARY: Linda Tylla, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

Chair Sill called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda

The agenda for the regular meeting scheduled May 15, 2013, was accepted as circulated.

Adoption of Minutes (April 17, 2013)

MOVED by Jim Lehto
SECONDED by Alan Davies

THAT the minutes of the April 17, 2013 meeting of the Gastown Heritage Area Planning Committee be adopted as amended:

- That for brevity, the questions and related comments be removed from Item 1), and the following be inserted, "The Committee was presented several questions. Discussion ensued and comments were captured and the scope of the discussion has been forwarded to the consultants."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1) **50 E. Cordova - DB 442681
VHR "B"**

Zlatan Jankovic, Heritage Planner, introduced the proposal to restore and rehabilitate the lower principal façade of this heritage building. Although the conservation strategy was developed for a more comprehensive façade rehabilitation work, the focus at this time is on the conservation of the building storefront and intermediate cornice.

Carl Funk, Southwood Ventures Inc., provided further detail on the project. The storefront will be rehabilitated to restore the historic appearance and accommodate current needs, and will be made of wood and metal. The replication of the intermediate cornice is proposed to be by the use of polymer-modified cement, an affordable material, which has occasionally been used for the cornice conservation work in the city. The rehabilitation is being undertaken to promote improved occupancy with a possible retail tenant in the basement. The conservation plan is based on some historic reference and recent rehabilitation on a similar building.

The applicant and staff responded to questions relating to the project. Discussion ensued and the Committee provided their comments to the applicant.

**MOVED by Jim Lehto
SECONDED by Alan Davies**

THAT the Gastown Heritage Area Planning Committee strongly supports the project as proposed, and encourages further design development as follows:

- In respect to compatibility of the existing door design with proposed rehabilitated storefront elements
- Consideration of durability of proposed materials
- The storefront window sill and door kick-plate height.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) **Downtown Eastside (DTES) -
Local Area Planning Program (LAPP) - Update**

Zlatan Jankovic introduced the project.

Tom Wanklin, DTES Senior Planner, provided an update on the LAPP process, target date for submission to Council, and the proposed public outreach. An overview of possible directions emerging from the planning process was provided, followed by questions and discussion.

The Committee will receive an update and have additional opportunity for input in the late spring as further consultation and planning work is completed.

Next Meeting:

DATE: June 19, 2013

TIME: 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Water Street Café, 300 Water Street, Vancouver, BC.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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