



NOTICE OF MEETING

VANCOUVER HERITAGE COMMISSION

AGENDA

DATE: Monday, April 29, 2013
TIME: 11:00 am
PLACE: Strathcona Meeting Room
Subground, Vancouver City Hall

PLEASE NOTE:

- If you are unable to attend this meeting, please advise Lori Isfeld at 604.871.6355 or e-mail lori.isfeld@vancouver.ca.
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Roll Call 11:00 - 11:05 am

Leave of Absence Requests

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April 8, 2013, meeting to be approved.

1. Business Arising from the Minutes 11:05 - 11:10 am
2. Conservation Review 11:10 - 12:00 pm
 - (a) 188 Keefer St. (611 Main St.)
DE 416573

The rezoning application to develop a 17 storey mix-use commercial and residential building on this site in the HA-1A area of Chinatown was initially reviewed by Vancouver Heritage Commission on January 23, 2012 and July 16, 2012. The VHC generally supported the proposal but requested further design improvements and that application is brought back to VHC for review, at the development permit stage, as per the following resolution from July 12, 2012:

"THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission supports the review of the current proposal with regard to a greater integration of height massing and materials to achieve a more unified effect with particular reference to the cultural and physical context.

FURTHER THAT the Commission at the time of Development Permit stage reviews drawings with the following considerations:

- An introduction of stronger vertical articulation along the Main Street façade;
- Introduction of permeable elements such as arcades, alleyways and courtyards;
- Bolder interpretation of the cultural elements be represented in the full expression of the building; and
- To reconsider the introduction of the transom window into the treatment of the storefront to reflect the traditional storefront appearance."

The development permit application has now been received. The applicant and staff will present the application and explain how it responded to Commission's earlier inputs and requests. The application has been scheduled for presentation to the Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee on May 14, 2013.

Applicant: W.T Leung Architects Inc.
Westbank, Ian Duke, owner

Attachments: set of reduced drawings

Staff: Paul Cheng, Development Planner
Zlatan Jankovic, Heritage Planner

(b) Birks Building (formerly Bank of Commerce Building) 12:00 - 12:40 pm
688 West Hastings Street
A - Municipally Designated

The owner and the tenant (Birks) of the building are seeking to modify the base of the building along Granville Street to enhance retail leasing opportunities in the building. The proposed changes include:

- i. Three new entry doors;
- ii. Addition of a new glass canopy;
- iii. Revitalization of existing window displays; and
- iv. Adding new backlit signs (optional).

The proposal is at the enquiry stage and feedback is being sought from the Commission prior to an application being submitted.

Enquirer: Glenn Harris, Talia Jevan Properties, owner
Glenn Ledingham, Oberto Oberti Architecture

Attachments: set of reduced drawings

Staff: Marco D'Agostini, Senior Heritage Planner

3. Sub-Committee Reports **12:40 - 1:10 pm**

- a) Report from SoS/VHR Sub-Committee.

- b) Report from Heritage Awards Sub-Committee.

4. New Business

Next Meeting:

DATE: May 27, 2013
TIME: 11:00 am
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