



VANCOUVER HERITAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES

MAY 31, 2021

A meeting of the Vancouver Heritage Commission was held on Monday, May 31, 2021, at 11:04 am, via electronic means.

PRESENT: Michael Kluckner*
Michael Gordon
Paul Giles*
Crystal Hung*
Mohammad Kashif Khan
Leslie Kowarsky
Joel Massey
Mollie Massie
Jenni Pace
Shirley Shen

ABSENT: Randip Bakshi (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Colleen Hardwick, Council Liaison
Trustee Estrellita Gonzalez, School Board Liaison
Zlatan Jankovic, Senior Heritage Planner, Planning, Urban Design, and Sustainability, Staff Liaison
Maxine Schleger, Heritage Planning Analyst, Planning, Urban Design, and Sustainability
Elijah Sabadlan, Heritage Planner, Planning, Urban Design, and Sustainability

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Kevin Burris, Manager, Civic Agencies

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

The Manager, Civic Agencies, acknowledged we are on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

Returning and new Commission members introduced themselves.

Election of Interim Chair

MOVED by Commissioner Gordon
SECONDED by Commissioner Massie

THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission elects Jenni Pace as interim Chair, for the duration of this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Hung absent for the vote)

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Commissioner Massey
SECONDED by Commissioner Kowarsky

THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission approves a leave of absence for Randip Bakshi.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Hung absent for the vote)

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Commissioner Shen
SECONDED by Commissioner Giles

THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission approves the Minutes from the meeting of Monday, May 03, 2021, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioners Massey, Kowarsky, and Khan abstained from the vote)
(Commissioner Hung absent for the vote)

1. Blood Alley Square Rehabilitation – Update

Staff:

Jesse Wiebe, Senior Engineer, Engineering Services
Stéphanie Gimine, Project Engineer, Engineering Services
Rachel Magnusson, Senior Project Manager, Engineering Services
Bonnie Ma, Policy Planner, DTES Planning Team
Elijah Sabadlan, Heritage Planner

Consultant:

Bryce Gauthier, Gauthier & Associates Landscape Architecture Inc.

Bonnie Ma gave a preliminary overview of Downtown Eastside (DTES) Plan, approved by Council in 2014.

Staff and Consultant provided an update on the rehabilitation of Blood Alley Square, which was identified as an action item to be implemented within 10 years of the adoption of the DTES Plan. Staff and Consultant subsequently responded to questions and comments from Commissioners.

MOVED by Commissioner Gordon
SECONDED by Commissioner Shen

THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission acknowledges the excellent work done by the Blood Alley Square Rehabilitation team, including engagement with over 100 community groups, and thanks the team for their presentation;

FURTHER THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission welcomes ongoing engagement in the interpretive elements of the Blood Alley Square rehabilitation project, and looks forward to continuous engagement in ongoing major planning and engineering projects in the Gastown Historic Area.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioners Giles and Kluckner absent for the vote)

2. Vancouver Heritage Program – Overview

Postponed to next meeting.

3. New Business

Zlatan Jankovic, Senior Heritage Planner, described subcommittee and committee membership opportunities for Commissioners.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Massie
SECONDED by Commissioner Kowarsky

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioners Giles, Kluckner, and Massey absent for the vote)

Next Meeting:

DATE: Monday, June 21, 2021
TIME: 11:00 am
PLACE: Webex Online

The Committee adjourned at 1:20 pm.

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