



VANCOUVER HERITAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES

July 10, 2023

A meeting of the Vancouver Heritage Commission was held on Monday, July 10, 2023, at 11:05 am, by electronic means.

PRESENT: James Evans, Chair
Shawn Preus, Vice-Chair
Timothy Ankenman
Paul Giles
Nancy Kirkpatrick
Hilary Macdonald
Joel Massey
Judy Lam Maxwell
Jenni Pace
Mika Yamada

ABSENT: Michael Gordon (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Zlatan Jankovic, Senior Heritage Planner (Staff Liaison)

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Ana Denissenko, Committee Clerk

WELCOME

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh People. We thank them for having cared for this land and look forward to working with them in partnership as we continue to build this great city together.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Commissioner Preus
SECONDED by Commissioner Giles

THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission approve a Leave of Absence request for Commissioner Gordon for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Commissioner Ankenman
SECONDED by Commissioner Giles

THAT the Minutes from the meeting of Monday, June 19, 2023, be amended to remove the words “development of a horizontal” in WHEREAS clause 1 of the motion under agenda item 1, “800-876 Granville Street RZ-2022-00014”;

FURTHER THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission approve the Minutes from the meeting of Monday, June 19, 2023, as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**1. 998 Thurlow Street – Washington Court
Heritage Revitalization Agreement and Heritage Designation
VHR – B Proposed
DE-2023-00336**

Staff:

James Boldt, Heritage Planner

Applicants:

Donald Luxton, Heritage Consultant, Donald Luxton and Associates

Alan Endall, Senior Architect, Stantec Architecture

Ricki Disini, Heritage Consultant, Donald Luxton and Associates

Peter Mitchell, MKT Development Group

Linlin Zhang, Owner, Lucky ZA Investments Ltd

Ken Hoy, Ken Hoy Ltd.

Jody Bielun, Stantec Architecture,

Mathieu Brabant, Stantec Architecture

Staff introduced the agenda item and applicants provided a presentation. Following discussion, it was

MOVED by Commissioner Pace

SECONDED by Commissioner Ankenman

WHEREAS:

1. The apartment building at 998 Thurlow Street, known as the Washington Court, was constructed in 1910 and is one of the first mid-rise residential buildings constructed in the West End;
2. The building is not currently listed on the Vancouver Heritage Register (VHR);
3. The building was damaged in a fire in 2018 and is currently vacant and uninhabitable, and the proponent is proposing heritage conservation, reconstruction, seismic upgrading and adaptive reuse;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- A. The Vancouver Heritage Commission receive the presentation regarding 998 Thurlow Street – Washington Court, as presented to the Commission on July 10, 2023;
- B. The Vancouver Heritage Commission strongly support:
 - The Conservation Plan and proposed heritage designation;
 - Adding the site to the VHR in the “B” category;
 - Replication of sixth floor, including the cornice, and expression of the new partial seventh floor;
 - The Heritage Revitalization Agreement, including additional density proposed as an incentive/compensation for heritage preservation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. 2023 Heritage Awards – Heritage Awards Report

The Staff Liaison provided a presentation on the 2023 Heritage Awards and responded to questions from the Commission. Following the discussion, it was

MOVED by Commissioner Preus
SECONDED by Commissioner Pace

WHEREAS:

1. The Vancouver Heritage Awards of May 15, 2023, marked the return of the bi-annual ceremony recognizing notable heritage projects;
2. The categories of the Vancouver Heritage Awards have been expanded to include the intangible cultural heritage in alignment with the Vancouver Heritage Program 2020;
3. Staff presented the summary of the Vancouver Heritage Awards report at the Vancouver Heritage Commission meeting of July 10, 2023;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission support the summary of the 2023 City of Vancouver Heritage Awards, and considerations for future awards, as presented on July 10, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. New Business

Staff provided an update regarding the “Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations in Low Density Neighbourhoods Progress Report” going to the [Standing Committee on July 12, 2023](#), and the hiring process for a new Heritage Planning Analyst.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Ankenman
SECONDED by Commissioner Preus

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Monday, July 31, 2023
TIME: 11:00 AM
PLACE: Joe Wai Room, Ground Floor, City Hall /
WebEx Online

The Committee adjourned at 1:00 PM

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