



**GASTOWN HISTORIC AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 21, 2022**

Minutes of the meeting of the Gastown Historic Area Planning Committee (GHAPC) held on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, via videoconference.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Harmony Cornwell, Local Property Owner, Chair
Christopher Martin, Local Property Owner
Alyssa Myshok, Community Business Representative
Jurian ter Horst, Community Heritage Representative
Gina Weaver, Community Resident Tenant

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeremy Cutler, Community Resident Owner, Vice-Chair
Marina Markoc, Community Business Representative
Nancy Stern, Community Architect Representative
Colin Tougas, Community Engineer Representative

STAFF: James Boldt, Heritage Planner

RECORDING SECRETARY: Debbie Reimer, Mosaic Writing Group

Call to Order

Harmony Cornwell, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

1. Introductions and Welcome

The Chair acknowledged the unceded ancestral territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tseil-Waututh First Nations and thanked them for having care for this land.

The Chair conducted the roll call.

2. Adoption of Agenda and Minutes

MOVED by Jurian ter Horst
SECONDED by Alyssa Myshok

THAT the Gastown Historic Area Planning Committee adopts the agenda for the September 21, 2022 meeting, as presented.

CARRIED

MOVED by Gina Weaver
SECONDED by Christopher Martin

THAT the Gastown Historic Area Planning Committee adopts the minutes of the June 15, 2021 meeting as presented.

CARRIED

The Chair reviewed the motion proposed at the June 15, 2022 GHAPC meeting.

MOVED by Alyssa Myshok
SECONDED by Gina Weaver

THAT the Gastown Historic Area Planning Committee:

1. Recognizes and supports the work to upgrade the Vancouver Heritage Register to be able to identify, embrace and celebrate a broad range of places with social, cultural and historic values, based on principles of reconciliation, diversity and equity; and
2. Requests ongoing periodic engagement and clarification on opportunities for involvement by Committee members, specifically related to the conservation of the Gastown Historic District (HA-2).

CARRIED

3. 23 West Cordova Street – Blood Alley Square Mural Project

The Chair reviewed the proposed motion for the mural project in Blood Alley Square, 23 West Cordova Street.

MOVED by Christopher Martin
SECONDED by Gina Weaver

THAT the Gastown Historic Area Planning Committee:

1. Supports the proposed murals (two at ground level of north elevations, facing Blood Alley Square; one on east elevation facing Carrall Street on 23 West Cordova Street, the Blood Alley Mural Project (DP-2-22-00539), presented by 23 Cordova Holdings Inc.;
2. Requests that, in addition to the anti-graffiti coating, the murals are maintained and kept in good condition throughout their time on the building of 23 West Cordova Street; and,
3. Suggests that historical information (via plaque or QR code) be included to share the historical references depicted in the murals.

CARRIED

(Abstained: Alyssa Myshok; Opposed: Jurian ter Horst)

Discussion ensued on:

- Concerns regarding the murals in Gastown
- Clarification regarding the interpretation of an abstention
- Historic areas of Vancouver are subject to differing regulations regarding building upgrades and renovations.

As a result of the discussion, the GHAPC members agreed to hold a second vote on the Blood Alley Square Mural Project.

MOVED by Christopher Martin
SECONDED by Gina Weaver

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CARRIED

(Opposed: Alyssa Myshok, Jurian ter Horst)

4. New Business

Discussion ensued on:

- Suggestion to include information on community input in the Winters Hotel project:
 - Concern regarding the level of community engagement
- The debris removal at the Winters Hotel is nearing completion
- The City is involved in the next steps for the project.

Action Item (01): *The Chair to inform the Heritage Planner that the Gastown Heritage Area Planning Committee requests information regarding the Winters Hotel to be provided at the October 19, 2022 GHAPC meeting.*

5. Adjournment

The Gastown Heritage Area Planning Committee meeting held September 21, 2022 adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

CARRIED

Next Meeting:

Date: October 19, 2022

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Place: Videoconference (WebEx Events)

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