



VANCOUVER HERITAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES

JUNE 25, 2012

A meeting of the Vancouver Heritage Commission was held on Monday, June 25, 2012, at 11:01 am, in the Strathcona Meeting Room, Subground, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT: Richard Keate, Chair
Shelley Bruce
Terry Brunette
David Cuan
Michael Kluckner
Orville Lim
Kim Maust, Vice-Chair
Julia Reimer
Jenny Sandy

ABSENT: Michael Bruce (Leave of Absence)
Charlene Krepiakovich (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: John Coupar, Parks Board Liaison
Marco D'Agostini, Heritage Group (Staff Liaison)
James Boldt, Heritage Group

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Bonnie Kennett, Meeting Coordinator

Leave of Absence Requests

Leaves of absence were approved for Michael Bruce and Charlene Krepiakovich for this meeting.

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on June 4, 2012, were approved.

1. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

2. Conservation Review

(a) 1906 West 11th Avenue, The Beard House Proposed VHR C DE#415688

Applicant: Ahmad Kashani, owner
Alexandre Ravkov, Alexandre Ravkov Inc.
Donald Luxton, Donald Luxton & Associates
Staff: James Boldt, Heritage Planner

Staff and the applicant provided an overview and responded to questions.

Issues:

- (i) Conservation Plan; and
- (ii) Compatibility of the infill building.

MOVED by Kim Maust
SECONDED by Terry Brunette

THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission supports the Conservation Plan for 1906 West 11th Avenue, The Beard House, as presented at the June 25, 2012, meeting, noting the following recommendations:

- that the application consider using cedar shingles; and
- that the applicant consider adjusting the window hierarchy on the upper level of the South Elevation.

FURTHER THAT the Commission supports the addition of an infill house to the rear of the heritage home noting the following recommendation:

- that the applicant consider the use of wood windows versus vinyl windows to increase compatibility of the infill.

CARRIED
(Orville Lim opposed)

(b) 633 Main Street - Rezoning Application LAN#2012008

Applicant: Chris Dikeakos Architects Inc.
Staff: Dwayne Drobot, Rezoning Planner
Paul Cheng, Development Planner
Zlatan Jankovic, Heritage Planner

Staff and the applicant provided an overview and responded to questions.

Issues:

- (i) Land use, form of development, scale, contextual response; and
- (ii) Compatibility with the urban design provisions of the Rezoning Policy for Chinatown South (HA-1A) and Chinatown HA-1A Design Guidelines.

MOVED by Kim Maust

SECONDED by Orville Lim

THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission supports in principle, the rezoning application at 633 Main Street, with regard to the form of development, scale and its preliminary response to the Chinatown Design Guidelines, as presented at the June 25, 2012, meeting.

FURTHER THAT the Commission requests the following:

- all of the concerns raised by the Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee at their meeting on June 12, 2012, be addressed at the development permit stage;
- that there be further design development to the balconies recommending the balconies appear recessed rather than cantilevered;
- that there be design development to allow for diversity in size and shape of the commercial signage and that the applicant consider the use of neon in a way that enhances the sites' gateway presence;
- that there be further design development to the commercial level and the applicant consider allowance for greater permeability;
- that the project be brought back before the Commission at the development permit stage; and
- that a further developed landscape plan be presented to the Commission at the development permit stage and asks that the applicant consider incorporating plants that compliment the nature of Chinatown.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

* * * * *

The Commission recessed at 12:48 pm and reconvened at 1:01 pm, with all members present.

* * * * *

- (c) **884 Granville Street, Orpheum Theatre - Sign
VHR A, Municipally designated, National Historic Site
Enquiry**

Staff: Rae Ackerman, Director, Civic Theatres
Billy Shen, Facilities Design and Development
Marco D'Agostini, Heritage Planner

Staff provided an overview and responded to questions.

Issues:

- (i) Consideration of approaches to replicate or repair the sign.

MOVED by Jenny Sandy

SECONDED by Michael Kluckner

THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission supports the City's proposal of the replication of the 1948 Orpheum Theatre sign and the A-frame structural support, as presented at the June 25, 2012, meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Sub-Committee Reports

None.

4. New Business

None.

5. Next Meeting:

DATE: Monday, July 16, 2012
TIME: 11:00 am
PLACE: Business Centre Meeting Room
2nd Floor, City Hall (453 West 12th Avenue)

The Committee adjourned at 1:20 pm.

* * * * *