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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 13, 2008

A Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, for the purpose of holding a Public Hearing to consider proposed amendments to the heritage by-laws.

PRESENT: Mayor Sam Sullivan
Councillor Suzanne Anton
Councillor Kim Capri
Councillor George Chow
Councillor Heather Deal*
Councillor Peter Ladner
Councillor B.C. Lee
Councillor Tim Stevenson*

ABSENT: Councillor Elizabeth Ball
Councillor David Cadman (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)
Councillor Raymond Louie

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Anton
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

THAT this Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, Mayor Sullivan in the Chair, to consider proposed amendments to the heritage by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors Deal and Stevenson absent for the vote)

1. HRA/HERITAGE DESIGNATION: 2978 West 5th Avenue

An application by Bas Coleman, Coleman Design was considered as follows:

Summary: A Heritage Revitalization Agreement and Designation to permit density and site coverage increases at 2978 West 5th Avenue.

The Director of Planning, in consultation with the Director of Legal Services recommended approval.

Staff Opening Comments

Shelly Bruce, Heritage Group, responded to questions.

Summary of Correspondence

No correspondence had been received on this application since referral to Public Hearing.

Speakers

The Mayor called for speakers for and against the application and there were none.

Council Decision

MOVED by Councillor Chow

- A. THAT Council approve the designation of the Glenesk Residence at 2978 West 5th Avenue, a category 'B' property on the Vancouver Heritage Register, as a Protected Heritage Property.
- B. THAT Council authorize the City to enter into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) for the site at 2978 West 5th Avenue to:
 - increase the permitted floor space ratio (FSR) from 0.63 (2,280 sq. ft.) to 0.80 through the construction of an addition that would add 605 sq. ft. creating a total of 2,885 sq. ft. as described in detail in this report and as indicated under Development Application DE411223.
- C. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment the by-law to authorize the Heritage Revitalization Agreement and by-law to designate the heritage building as Protected Heritage Property.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. HRA/HERITAGE DESIGNATION: 2537 West 49th Avenue

An application by John Dean was considered as follows:

Summary: An application to relocate, rehabilitate, and protect the heritage 'B' house at 2537 West 49th Avenue through a Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA). Four new parcels would be created, the southern-most containing the heritage house, and the remaining three containing new houses. The HRA would allow an increase in permitted floor space ratio (FSR) for all the houses and would also vary the Subdivision By-law to permit the proposed width of three of the new land parcels.

The Director of Planning, in consultation with the Director of Legal Services recommended approval.

Staff Opening Comments

James Boldt, Heritage Group, responded to questions.

Summary of Correspondence

No correspondence had been received on this application since referral to Public Hearing.

Speakers

The Mayor called for speakers for and against the application.

The following speakers noted concerns with the application:

Anne Williams
Elizabeth Thomas

Council Decision

MOVED by Councillor Capri

- A. THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services to prepare and enter into on the City's behalf a Heritage Revitalization Agreement for 'The Stone Residence' located at 2537 West 49th Avenue to:
 - secure the protection and on-going maintenance of this 'B' category Vancouver Heritage Register building;
 - vary the Subdivision By-law to create four new parcels, the southern-most which would permit subdivision of the lands at 2537 West 49th to create four new parcels, one of which would contain the heritage building and the other three of which would be used for the construction of three new houses; and
 - vary the RS-5 District Schedule of the Zoning and Development By-law to permit floor space for the heritage building and the three new houses in excess of that otherwise permitted and to permit other variances.
- B. THAT the Stone Residence, listed in the 'B' evaluation category on the Vancouver Heritage Register at 2537 West 49th Avenue, be designated as Protected Heritage Property.
- C. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment a by-law to authorize the Heritage Revitalization Agreement and a by-law to designate the building as a protected heritage property.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. HERITAGE DESIGNATION: 1955 West 12th Avenue

An application by Ryan Hultman, EDG Homes was considered as follows:

Summary: To designate the heritage 'C' house at 1955 West 12th Avenue in exchange for a modest increase in overall square footage, as part of an application to rehabilitate the heritage house and construct a new infill building at the rear of the existing site.

The Director of Planning, in consultation with the Director of Legal Services recommended approval.

Summary of Correspondence

No correspondence had been received on this application since referral to Public Hearing.

Speakers

The Mayor called for speakers for and against the application and none were present.

Council Decision

MOVED by Councillor Deal

- A. THAT the 'Brunton Residence', listed in the 'C' evaluation category on the Vancouver Heritage Register at 1955 West 12th Avenue, be designated as a protected heritage property.
- B. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment a by-law to designate the building as a protected heritage property.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. HERITAGE DESIGNATION: 2504 York Avenue

An application by Paul Phillips, EDG Homes was considered as follows:

Summary: To designate the heritage 'C' house at 2504 York Avenue in exchange for a modest increase in overall square footage, as part of an application to rehabilitate the heritage house and construct a new infill building at the rear of the existing site.

The Director of Planning, in consultation with the Director of Legal Services recommended approval.

Summary of Correspondence

No correspondence had been received on this application since referral to Public Hearing.

Speakers

The Mayor called for speakers for and against the application and none were present.

Council Decision

MOVED by Councillor Capri

- A. THAT 'The Dougall A. Acorn Residence', listed in the 'C' category on the Vancouver Heritage Register at 2504 York Avenue, be designated as protected heritage property.
- B. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment a by-law to designate the building as Protected Heritage Property.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Chow

SECONDED by Councillor Anton

THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted, and the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare and bring forward the necessary by-law amendments.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Special Council adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

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