



COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

DATE: THURSDAY, 2018 APRIL 05
TIME: 6:00 PM
PLACE: Council Committee Room, Burnaby City Hall

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COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES

An Open meeting of the Community Heritage Commission was held in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Thursday, **2018 February 01** at 6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Councillor Colleen Jordan, Chair
 Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, Vice Chair
 Councillor Nick Volkow, Member
 Ms. Diane Gillis, Citizen Representative
 Ms. Ruby Johnson, Honorary Member Emeritus
 Mr. Richard Liu, Citizen Representative
 Mr. Lee Loftus, Citizen Representative
 Ms. Tammy Marchioni, Citizen Representative
 Mr. Lance Matricardi, Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission Representative
 Mr. Harry Pride, Historian
 Mr. Roger Whitehouse, Burnaby Historical Society Representative

STAFF: Mr. Denis Nokony, Assistant Director, Cultural Services Division
 Mr. Jim Wolf, Senior Long Range Planner
 Ms. Helen Lee, Long Range Planner
 Ms. Deborah Tuytens, Museum Services Supervisor
 Ms. Lisa Codd, Museum Curator
 Ms. Rebecca Pasch, City Archivist
 Ms. Blanka Zeinabova, Administrative Officer
 Ms. Lauren Cichon, Administrative Officer

The Chair welcomed Mr. Lee Loftus, Mr. Richard Liu and Mr. Roger Whitehouse as new members of the Commission. Introductions followed.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

2. MINUTES**a) Minutes of the Community Heritage Commission
Open meeting held on 2017 November 16**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LIU
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PRIDE

THAT the minutes of the Community Heritage Commission Open meeting held on 2017 November 16 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. REPORTS

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WHITEHOUSE

THAT the reports be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**a) Report from the City Archivist
Re: City of Burnaby Archives Annual Report 2017**

The City Archivist submitted the 2017 Annual Report of the City of Burnaby Archives.

The City Archivist recommended:

1. THAT the report be received for information.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL

THAT the recommendation of the City Archivist be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**b) Report from the Director Planning and Building
Re: Heritage Designation Bylaw /
Heritage Revitalization Agreement
Geoffrey & Kathleen Burnett House
7037 Canada Way**

The Director Planning and Building submitted a report seeking authorization to prepare a Heritage Designation Bylaw and a Heritage Revitalization Agreement to provide for the retention of the Geoffrey and Kathleen Burnett House.

The Director Planning and Building recommended:

THAT the Community Heritage Commission receive this Heritage Designation Bylaw and Heritage Revitalization Agreement proposal and forward this report to Council with the following recommendations:

1. THAT Council authorize the preparation of a Heritage Revitalization Agreement Bylaw to provide for the retention and protection of the historic Geoffrey and Kathleen Burnett House at 7037 Canada Way, as outlined in this report.
2. THAT a Heritage Designation Bylaw be prepared concurrent with the Heritage Revitalization Agreement for this site.
3. THAT the Heritage Revitalization Agreement Bylaw and the Heritage Designation Bylaw be forwarded to a Public Hearing at a future date.
4. THAT Council approve the listing of the Geoffrey and Kathleen Burnett House on the Burnaby Community Heritage Register as a Protected Heritage property.

Staff noted an error on page 5 of the report, and provided corrected version for Commission members.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARCHIONI

THAT the recommendations of the Director Planning and Building be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Commission members expressed interest in the heritage conservation process.

Staff undertook to provide a presentation at the next meeting.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

Burnaby Village Museum Update

Ms. Tuytens advised the 2017 Heritage Christmas was sponsored by Concord Pacific, with attendance of 53,000 people; 6,000 people on 2017 December 23 alone.

The Museum will open for Family Day (2018 February 12) and Spring Break (2018 March 19 – 29).

Ceperley Barn Fire

Mr. Wolf advised there was a significant damage to the back wall and roof of the Ceperley Barn due to a fire. The cause is still under investigation.

Staff undertook to provide a report on the cause, damage, costs and insurance to the Commission at a future date.

Aerial Photographs

Commissioner Pride offered free flights and a photographer for aerial photos of Burnaby.

Staff undertook to follow up with Commissioner Pride.

Staff advised there is a collection of historical aerial photographs of Lower Mainland and Victoria on a web. A link to the website (<http://vintageairphotos/tag/burnaby.com>) will be provided to the members for information.

Plaques & Videos

Ms. Codd provided a sample of three plaques: Oakalla Prison, Chinese-Canadian Farms at Big Bend, and Shull Lumber Mill.

Ms. Codd provided two short video stories about Big Bend Neighbourhood Farms (Hop on Farms), and Ms. Eileen Dailly (abandonment of corporal punishment).

Arising from discussion, the Commission introduced the following motion:

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARCHIONI

THAT staff report back on the Heritage BC award nomination for the Burnaby 125 Project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Commission members expressed interest in the various plaque unveilings.

Staff undertook to provide the information to the members when the unveilings are confirmed.

Commissioner Matricardi requested the unveilings information be sent to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission.

Staff undertook to provide a presentation on locations of the plaques' placement at a future date.

Oral History

Councillor Volkow advocated for oral and video history, and suggested sporting figures (i.e. Barbara Howard) and creative arts (i.e. union history) for a future project.

5. INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries brought before the Commission at this time.

6. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER GILLIS
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LIU

THAT this Open Commission meeting do now adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Open meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Blanka Zeinabova
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Councillor Colleen Jordan
CHAIR

Zeinabova, Blanka

Subject: Update: Federal support for heritage may be coming

From: Paul Gravett [mailto:pgravett@heritagebc.ca]

Sent: February 13, 2018 12:17 PM

To: Paul Gravett

Subject: Update: Federal support for heritage may be coming

Greetings,

Heritage BC has been working with the National Trust to keep heritage front and centre as the federal government considers its role in protecting heritage.

You may remember we asked you to voice your support for Bill C-323. BC spoke up strongly (more than any other province, so I am told), but the Bill was eventually defeated.

However, the House of the Commons Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development (ENVI) recently released the report: *Preserving Canada's Heritage: The Foundation for Tomorrow* ([found here](#)).^{*} This report is being met with great interest from heritage organizations, volunteers, charities, professionals, provincial, territorial and municipal policymakers, and property owners who invest in or care for heritage places in British Columbia and across Canada.

There is great potential in the report and Heritage BC continues to bring attention to its important recommendations. Today, **we wrote to all BC Members of Parliament** asking them to take action. (More details are found below.)

We are now asking you to help this effort. It is important our voices are heard, so that we may maintain the visibility of heritage at this critical time.

Please meet with or write to your Member of Parliament. You will [find your MP's contact information here](#).

If you are writing, the Trust has already prepared sample letters for you. To make your letter more powerful, include information about endangered heritage in your federal constituency. The template letters can be downloaded with these links:

- [Liberal MP](#)
- [Conservative MP](#)
- [NDP MP](#)

If you are meeting with your MP, you will find tips to help you [here](#) and [here](#).

Finally, please share this information with your colleagues. The Members of Parliament across the parties have taken notice of heritage. This is a critical time when we must remind our federal politicians of the contributions of heritage in your communities.

Thank you for your efforts. Please let me know what action you take and we will report back to the National Trust.

Best regards,

Paul Gravett
Executive Director
Heritage BC

^{*} provided under separate cover

SAMPLE LETTER AND INFORMATION

Subject: Request to Meet - Key Implications for [Insert your riding here] of ENVI Report #10, *Preserving Canada's Heritage: The Foundation for Tomorrow*

Dear [Insert MP's name here]:

I am writing in response to the House of the Commons Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development (ENVI) report *Preserving Canada's Heritage: The Foundation for Tomorrow*.

This report is being met with great interest from heritage organizations, volunteers, charities, professionals, provincial, territorial and municipal policymakers, and property owners who invest in or care for heritage places in British Columbia and across Canada.

In the course of the study, the Committee heard that historic places are more than just touchstones of history and identity: **heritage places are instrumental in building the economy of tomorrow, creating skilled, green jobs for young people, and growing the middle class**. Further, as a member of a party that has championed substantial initiatives on the environment and climate change, you will know that **the renewal and re-use of buildings capitalizes on materials and energy already invested, reduces construction and demolition waste, and avoids the carbon and other environmental impacts associated with new development**.

Heritage-related tourism is estimated to bring to British Columbia nearly \$32 million dollars each year. This, in turn, generates nearly \$57 million dollars in further spending and contributions, including \$27 million dollars to BC's GDP. A further \$5.5 million dollars is transferred to municipal, provincial and federal governments as taxes.

Heritage extends beyond these impressive numbers. It represents legacy and meaning, which contribute to the economy, social well-being and the revitalization of our province's communities. Heritage provides understanding, training and education of our history. It describes and defines British Columbia's identity and past, while shaping and informing our future.

We can find examples of these values in every corner of B.C. The rejuvenation of the North Pacific Cannery, a national historic site and museum and legacy of BC's fisheries identity, supported jobs creation in a remote community and developed a workforce with specialized, transferrable skills.

A train station in Dunster, located in the Robson Valley and brought back to life by tradespeople and volunteers, is now a local hub of commerce and community. The rehabilitation of Rocheleau Cottage, in the historic Francophone community of Maillardville, has led to much-needed family housing and densification in an urban setting.

Preserving Canada's Heritage contains a comprehensive set of 17 recommendations for action that would transform Canada's historic places, their owners and stewards, and the people who care about them – whether they are in the hands of governments or Band Councils, private sector owners, not-for-profit organizations or charities. The Report also contains many laudable recommendations to get the federal house in order and to show national leadership through exemplary handling of the federal government's own heritage property portfolio.

Over 1,000 Canadians have already endorsed the following statement of priorities for federal action on historic places, and more continue to sign on:

I* Il request that priority be given to measures that would have the most tangible and immediate positive impact for the greatest number of rural and urban places in Canada, and a proven spin-off effect for the environment and our economy:

A. Measures that would encourage private sector investment in the revitalization of historic places that matter in our communities; and

B. Measures that help fund the efforts of Indigenous peoples, charities and not-for-profits to save and renew places of significance.

Proven measures include grants and contributions, tax-based incentives, and "heritage first" leasing and investment policies.

Accordingly, we urge you to take action on the corresponding recommendations found in *Preserving Canada's Heritage*:

- Recommendation 11 – Establishing a tax credit for the restoration and preservation of buildings listed on the Canadian Register of Historic Places;
- Recommendation 10 – Funding for the National Cost-Sharing Program for Heritage Places to a minimum of \$10 million per year;
- Recommendations 15 & 17 – Supporting an Indigenous-led initiative to protect and preserve places important to them, including the legacy of residential schools; and
- Recommendation 8 – Requiring federal departments/agencies to give preference to existing heritage buildings when considering leasing or purchasing space.

We also point out that Recommendation 11, calling for income tax measures for historic places, represents an opportunity to incentivize investment in historic places without a negative impact on the Government's financial framework. As reported in the ENVI study, the US Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program returns between \$1.20 and \$1.25 to the federal government for every dollar of tax credit invested. Such measures have long-standing widespread support in Canada: from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities; the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada; 58 Canadian municipalities who passed resolutions or expressed support for federal income tax measures for historic places; and hundreds of individuals who have written letters and met with their MPs.

Recommendation 11 is consistent with the Liberal Party of Canada's willingness to consider financial incentives for historic places, expressed in an October 2015 pre-election message to the heritage sector. Responding to written questions from the National Trust for Canada, Liberal Party president Anna Gainey wrote: *"A Liberal government will work in collaboration with the heritage sector and other stakeholders to examine measures that promote the preservation and rehabilitation of Canada's heritage buildings. We are open to measures that use the tax system that stimulate private investments in heritage buildings."*

Support for federal tax measures for Canada's historic places was echoed in ENVI's Report #9 – Bill C-323 – An Act to amend the Income Tax Act (rehabilitation of historic property): "The Committee is supportive of the principle of Bill C-323 and believes that financial incentives, including tax credits, which encourage investment in the rehabilitation of historic properties and heritage places is necessary [...]"

We encourage you to support the investment in the revitalization of historic places (particularly tax-based incentives and grants/contributions), and to fund the efforts of Indigenous peoples, charities, and not-for-profits to save and regenerate places of significance in your riding.

Thank you for your consideration of these important issues.

Yours sincerely,



Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Burnaby Village Museum

Home of the CW Parker Carousel

March 16th, 2018

RE: Rivers to Sea Regional Heritage Fair at Burnaby Village Museum

Dear Commissioners,

Thank you for your continued support as a sponsor of the Rivers to Sea Regional Heritage Fair at Burnaby Village Museum. This year's Fair will take place on May 11th and 12th. We expect close to 100 students, grades 4 to 10, presenting Canadian-themed Social Studies projects. With your assistance we would like to continue to offer the *City of Burnaby Community Heritage Commission Award*.

A Heritage Fair is a wonderful opportunity to promote both Canadian and local history in a fun and engaging way. The recipient of the *City of Burnaby Community Heritage Commission Award* in 2017 was Katherine Hamilton, a grade 5 student from Stoney Creek Community School in Burnaby. Her project was titled "The Burnaby Art Gallery" and looked at our very own Burnaby Art Gallery and its history. Katherine received a keeper plaque and an interesting book on photography in Vancouver as well as a four passes for the Vancouver Trolley Company.

In 2017, the Heritage Advisory Committee was kind enough to ask Les Lee Lowe to assist as a judge. I would like to thank Mrs. Lowe for her assistance over the years and formally request her assistance with this year's Heritage Fair. I would also like to extend the invitation to other members of the Heritage Advisory Committee. It is a rewarding experience as I am sure Mrs. Lowe would agree.

In the past, the Community Heritage Commission has provided the Museum with a financial donation of \$500 to assist with the Rivers to Sea Regional Heritage Fair. I would like to respectfully request financial support for this year's Fair. This money is used to update the perpetual award each year and to provide students with small keeper plaques. Funds have also been used to purchase prizes including historical books and games that are rewarded to students for a job well done.

The Regional Heritage Fair has become the unofficial start to the Museum's public season. The Fair is not just about the awards ceremony or the selection of students going to the BC Heritage Fair, held in Victoria this summer. The Fair is a celebration of heritage and history, while also being a fantastic opportunity for the students and their families to enjoy everything Burnaby Village Museum has to offer. Holding the Regional Fair during the public season and no charge admission has forever altered the experience of the Heritage Fair. Our hope is to make the 2018 Fair a memorable experience for everyone involved. Thank you for your continued support in this endeavor.

Yours truly,

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Office of the City Clerk

K. O'Connell, City Clerk
R. Pasch, City Archivist

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION

DATE: 19 March 2018

FROM: REBECCA PASCH
CITY ARCHIVIST

FILE: 2410-20
Reference: *Community Heritage
Commission*

SUBJECT: CITY OF BURNABY ARCHIVES – UPDATE

For the information of the Chair and Members of the Community Heritage Commission, the following report outlines the activities and initiatives undertaken by the City Archives since the last CHC meeting:

- Twenty-five boxes of permanent records recently transferred from the Legal Department and 9 boxes from the Realty and Lands Division of the Public Safety and Community Services Department have now been described and processed into our holdings.
- Burnaby Village Museum Conservation Aide Tania Ainsworth returned to Archives, this time focusing on improving the preservation conditions for maps and plans already described into our holdings. After putting in 300 hours into processing backlogged maps and plans, Archives staff will have eradicated that backlog in time for her next visit at the end of April.
- Archives staff have continued collaboration with the Information Technology Department on preservation management for the digital records currently in Archives' holdings. This collaboration has been productive and is progressing well. I will report back with more concrete information once the next stage is solidified.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Pasch
City Archivist