

# **COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION**

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

SUBJECT: FREDERICK & ALICE HART ESTATE "AVALON" -

HERITAGE SITE INTERPRETIVE PLAQUE,

6664 DEER LAKE AVENUE

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. THAT Council approve the design and installation of the interpretive plaque for the Frederick and Alice Hart Estate "Avalon", as outlined in this report.

# **REPORT**

The Community Heritage Commission, at its meeting held on 2016 November 03, received and adopted the <u>attached</u> report seeking approval for the final design of the interpretive plaque for the Frederick and Alice Hart Estate "Avalon".

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor C. Jordan Chair

Chair

Councillor N. Volkow Vice Chair

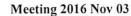
Councillor J. Wang Member

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Director Parks, Recr. & Cult. Services





### COMMISSION REPORT

TO:

**CHAIR AND MEMBERS** 

DATE:

2016 October 25

COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION

FROM:

DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

FILE:

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Reference:

Heritage Interpretive Plaque

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**PURPOSE:** 

To seek approval for the final design of the interpretive plaque for the Frederick

and Alice Hart Estate "Avalon".

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. THAT Council be requested to approve the design and installation of the interpretive plaque for the Frederick and Alice Hart Estate "Avalon," as outlined in this report.

### REPORT

On 13 June 2016, Council approved the design and installation of an interpretive plaque for the Frederick and Alice Hart Estate "Avalon". The design for the interpretive plaque was subject to final review and approval by the Community Heritage Commission and Council.

A final design has been completed (see *Attachment #1*) and is now submitted for the consideration of the Community Heritage Commission.

Lou Pelletier, Director

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View of Hart House and cottage from south side of Deer Lake, [between 1918 and 1920]. CBA 370-572 ERITAG I ~ ш

# Frederick & Alice Hart Estate, 1912 "Avalon"

"Avalon" was built by local real estate agent, Frederick John Hart (1868-1945), and his wife Alice Chapman Hart (1867-1935). Born on the Avalon Peninsula in Newfoundland, Frederick Hart came to New Westminster in 1890. He purchased this site on the shore of Deer Lake in 1904 as a summer retreat for his wife and children, Kingsley and Florence. In 1912, the Harts decided to build an estate and they chose the talented Burnaby architect, Frank W. Macey to design this mansion. The British Columbian newspaper noted that F.J. Hart's "beautiful home…will be one of the handsomest in Burnaby when completed, costing it is estimated, nearly \$50,000." The home is designed in the Tudor Revival style and features a massive tower with mock battlements, corbeled chimneys, cobblestone foundations and decorative half-timbering. In 1917, Montague and Ethel Moore moved into the home they named Rosedale Gardens and developed a beautiful farm, planting many of the specimen trees and shrubs visible today,

Purchased by the City of Burnaby in 1979, the building was designated as a heritage site in 1992. Since 1988, the Hart House has been used as a restaurant.



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