



## COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION M I N U T E S

Thursday, April 22, 2021, 5:00 p.m.  
Council Chamber, City Hall  
4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, BC

PRESENT: Councillor Colleen Jordan, Chair  
Councillor James Wang, Vice Chair (*participated electronically*)  
Councillor Pietro Calendino, Member (*participated electronically*)  
Ms. Rainy Kent, Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission Representative  
Ms. Ruby Johnson, Honorary Member Emeritus  
Ms. Diane Gillis, Resident Representative  
Mr. Lee Loftus, Resident Representative (*participated electronically*)  
Mr. Richard Liu, Resident Representative (*participated electronically*)  
Ms. Tammy Marchioni, Resident Representative  
Mr. Roger Whitehouse, Resident Representative (*participated electronically*)

ABSENT: Mr. Harry Pride, Historian

STAFF: Ms. Lisa Codd, Heritage Planner  
Ms. Rebecca Pasch, City Archivist  
Ms. Deborah Tuytens, Cultural Heritage Manager  
Ms. Kathryn Matts, Administrative Officer

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the Open Commission meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and conducted a roll call.

Due to the pandemic, the following members attended the meeting virtually: Councillor Calendino, Councillor Wang, Mr. Liu, Mr. Loftus, and Mr. Whitehouse.

The Chair, Councillor Colleen Jordan, recognized the ancestral and unceded homelands of the hən̓q̓əmi̓n̓əm and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples, and extended appreciation for the opportunity to hold a meeting on this territory

## 2. **MINUTES**

### 2.1 **Minutes of the Community Heritage Commission Open meeting held on 2021 February 11**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR WANG

THAT the minutes of the Community Heritage Commission meeting held on 2021 February 11 be now adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 3. **PRESENTATIONS**

### 3.1 **Chinese Canadian History Resource Guide Update**

**Ms. Denise Fong**, Planning Assistant, provided a presentation entitled Chinese Canadian History Learning Resource Guide Update. Ms. Fong advised that on November 12, 2020 an outline was provided to Commission on the 3 phases of the Chinese Canadian History Research Project, which advised that Phase 1 would be the Resource Guide and provided a draft concept and proposed content outline for the resource guide. Since then, staff have made significant progress. Earlier this year staff initiated a consultation process with an elementary school teacher and curriculum developer. In addition, staff consulted with various members of the project advisory committee. Staff also initiated a community research outreach to obtain additional stories and photos for inclusion in the research guide. Staff completed multiple revisions of the guide which features 18 chapters, and over 60 historical photos from institutions and private collections.

Ms. Fong presented design mock-ups for two of the chapters that have been completed. The design approach is based on the genre of classroom magazines with the inclusion of prompt questions, short text, photos, and graphic elements to add visual interest. Based on discussion with the teacher consultant, staff followed the recommendation to align the research content with curriculum "big ideas" for Kindergarten - 12 classrooms, such as:

Social Studies Gr. 5, 9, 10

- Immigration & Multiculturalism
- Historical injustices
- Canadian society
- Diversity
- Identities

Science

- Land & Seasonality

#### Language Arts

- Stories about ourselves, our families, our communities
- Cultural traditions

A key feature of the publication is to provide students with access to many existing digital resources that are already available through Heritage Burnaby. Throughout the resource guide there are sidebars and pull out boxes that link to external materials such as videos, audio interviews and additional activities. In addition, suggestions for outdoor learning activities are provided that students can do with their class or parents to learn more about their neighbourhood.

In conclusion, Ms. Fong advised that the publication will be made available digitally on Heritage Burnaby with a limited print run distributed to local schools. Project completion is scheduled to take place near the end of the summer to be ready for promotion and distribution in fall 2021.

## 4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

### 4.1 **Memorandum from the Director of Planning and Building - Re: Heritage Program Update**

A memorandum was received from the Director Planning and Building providing an update on the following initiatives advanced through the Community Heritage Commission:

#### Chinese Canadian History Project: Farm Tour Map

Staff have initiated work on the farm tour map of Big Bend, with the goal of officially launching the map in the spring of 2022. The map will be published as a printed handout, and will also be available for download as a PDF. In addition, a digital Story Map version will be developed.

#### Heritage Signs: Heritage on the Heights

The "Heritage on the Heights" signs installed in 2002 required repair. The bases were repainted, and the signs were re-designed to enable standard signs printed at the City Sign Shop to be mounted on the bases. The signs printed by the City Sign Shop include an anti-graffiti layer and are easy to replace if stolen or damaged. Visuals of the revised signs were provided for Commission.

### 4.2 **Memorandum from the City Archivist - Re: City of Burnaby Archives Update**

A memorandum was received from the City Archivist providing an update on the initiatives undertaken by the City Archives since the last Community Heritage Commission meeting. The Archives remains closed to the public at this time.

**4.3 Memorandum from the Cultural Heritage Manager - Re: Burnaby Village Museum Update**

A memorandum was received from the Cultural Heritage Manager providing an update on the activities at Burnaby Village Museum. Burnaby Village Museum opens for the summer season from May 1 - September 6. Advance registration will be required and there will be limited site access with Covid-19 protocols in place.

Burnaby Village Museum will be hosting a Spring Neighbourhood Speaker Series in partnership with Burnaby Public Libraries. The series will explore a range of topics shared by Indigenous speakers and knowledge keepers. The events are free, online events but require access to internet and either Zoom or Facebook applications. Registration is available through Burnaby Public Library at [www.bpl.bc.ca/events](http://www.bpl.bc.ca/events).

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**Capitol Hill Hall Presentation**

Commissioner Kent expressed appreciation for the Capitol Hill Presentation given at the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission 2021 April 13 Open meeting by staff.

**6. INQUIRIES**

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

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection, the Open Commission meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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Councillor Colleen Jordan

CHAIR

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Kathryn Matts

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER