

MINUTES of a Meeting of the **HISTORIC PLACES ADVISORY COMMITTEE**, held on Thursday, January 26th, 2023
at 12:00 p.m., City Hall Meeting Room 441, with the following in attendance:

HPAC MEMBERS: George Kuhl (Chair), Andrea Cuellar and Stephen Deppisch
CITY OF LETHBRIDGE: Ross Kilgour, Andrew Malcolm and Cidnee Lorenz (Recorder)
REGRETS: Miranda Grol

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m.

2. ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

“The City of Lethbridge acknowledges that we are gathered on the lands of the Blackfoot people of the Canadian Plains and pays respect to the Blackfoot people, past, present and future while recognizing and respecting their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship to the land. The City of Lethbridge is also home to the Metis Nation of Alberta, Region III.”

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

S. Deppisch moved that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

A. Cuellar moved that the November 25th, 2022, minutes be approved.

CARRIED

5. 2023 CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR APPOINTMENT:

- A. Cuellar moved that G. Kuhl be appointed as the 2023 HPAC Chair.
- G. Kuhl moved that S. Deppisch be appointed as the 2023 HPAC Vice Chair.

CARRIED

CARRIED

-G. Kuhl took over as Chair at 12:05 p.m.-

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- a. Heritage Management Plan – Update:
 - The draft HMP is complete and will go to Cultural SPC on February 16th and Council March 7th.
 - A budget/scoping exercise for the recommended follow-on work is planned for February; more information to follow at next HPAC meeting.
- b. Applied Studies (U of L Students) Update:
 - Two (2) students are registered, and they have been provided with a work plan.
 - Students will each receive a \$500 honorarium funded by HPAC, which will also be matched by the U of L.
 - R. Kilgour will invite the students to the next HPAC meeting.
- c. Terms of Reference:
 - R. Kilgour drafted a Submission Report which is with the City Clerk's and Solicitor's Office for review and will then go to the Governance SPC.
- d. Vendome Hotel (110 – 8th St S) Update - An Intervention Approval was issued.
- e. Warehouse District ARP Update - R. Kilgour will forward the report from P. Stein once it is ready.

- f. Japanese Garden (Nikka Yuko) Soffit Replacement – Update:
 - There have been no updates since the previous HPAC meeting.
- g. Whitney Block (411 – 3rd Ave S) Site Visit - R. Kilgour will touch base with the contractor to arrange a site visit.
- h. Battle of the Belly River – Update - The Galt Museum and Lethbridge College continue to make progress.

7. AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. Lethbridge Hotel – In-Camera Discussion (A. Malcolm):
 - S. Deppisch moved that the discussion take place In-Camera at 12:31 p.m. and that A. Malcolm be invited into the discussion.

CARRIED

- S. Deppisch moved that the In-Camera discussion be closed at 1:03 p.m.

CARRIED

- S. Deppisch moved that a letter be drafted by the Historic Places Advisory Committee and sent to City Council:

HPAC recognizes the historical significance of the Lethbridge Hotel building (202 – 5 Street South) which was built in 1895, and the architectural significance it could have to the downtown if it could be restored to its original design. There is significant opportunity for adaptive reuse of the building, particularly for commercial space on the main floor. The building could act as an anchor for the downtown, by virtue of its prominent location, on historic 5 Street South opposite Galt Gardens.

More broadly speaking, HPAC would be supportive of the reinstatement of a grant structure that would assist in adaptive reuse of the building and would be supportive of a Community Revitalization Levy as a future source of revenue that could possibly support this. We see the opportunity for community partners to possibly come up with a building concept that addresses other community needs such as housing or mixed-use.

CARRIED

- R. Kilgour will draft the letter and circulate to HPAC for final approval.

- b. Scotiabank Interpretive Sign Update - The sign has been installed.

- c. Southminster United Church Request for Intervention Approval:

- S. Deppisch moved that the Historic Places Advisory Committee approve the request to issue an Intervention Approval for sandstone repairs at Southminster Church.

CARRIED

- d. Freedom of Information and Privacy (FOIP)/Minutes:

- All records including committee minutes are subject to FOIP.

- e. Croskery Ryland (609 – 12th St S) – Garage:

- S. Deppisch moved that the Historic Places Advisory Committee advise Fraser Shaw at the Province that HPAC consider the garage at the Croskery Ryland (609 – 12th Street South) to be part of the site's heritage value, as it was built in the period of significance and associated with the owner at the time.

CARRIED

- R. Kilgour will ask the Province about the amount of grant funding distributed each year.

- f. Croskery Ryland (609 – 12th St S) – Subdividing of Lot – Add to February Meeting

8. NEXT MEETING DATE:

- C. Lorenz will send out a Doodle Poll for February meeting dates.

9. COMMITTEE MEMBER ROUND TABLE:

- G. Kuhl:
 - Add Bentley Block update to the next agenda.

ACTION:	<p>R. KILGOUR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heritage Management Plan – Provide scoping exercise update at February meeting. • Applied Studies – Invite students to February meeting. • Warehouse District ARP - Forward the report from P. Stein once it is ready. • Japanese Garden (Nikka Yuko) Soffit Replacement – Update committee when applicable. • Whitney Block (411 – 3rd Ave S) - Touch base with the contractor to arrange a site visit. • Lethbridge Hotel – Draft letter as per motion. • Southminster United Church – Issue Intervention Approval. • Croskery Ryland (609 – 12th St S) – Garage – Issue Interventional Approval. • Talk to the Province with regards to annual grant funding. <p>C. LORENZ:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Croskery Ryland (609 – 12th St S) – Subdividing of Lot – Add to February Meeting. • Send out a Doodle Poll for February meeting dates. • Add Bentley Block update to the next agenda.
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10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.