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Windsor, Ontario, May 26, 2011

A meeting of the **Windsor Heritage Committee** is held this day commencing at 9:30 o'clock a.m. in Room 405, 400 City Hall Square East, there being present the following members:

Robin Easterbrook, Chair
Councillor Al Maghnieh, arrives at 9:39 o'clock a.m.
Lynn Raeburn Baker
Andrew Foot
Jeffrey Mellow

Regrets received from:

Simon Chamely
Noreen Slack

Also present are the following resource personnel:

John R. Calhoun, Heritage Planner
Susan Vadori, Committee Coordinator (A)
Erica Ogden, Planning Policy Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 9:31 o'clock a.m. and the Committee considers the Agenda being Schedule "A" **attached** hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Moved by L. Baker, seconded by A. Foot,
That the minutes of the meetings of the Windsor Heritage Committee held April 13, 2011 and May 11, 2011 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.
Carried.

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT

None declared.

4. **DELEGATIONS**

Gerry Koski, regarding Item 5.1
Gary Katz, regarding Item 5.1
Norm Becker, regarding Item 5.1
Gary Turko, regarding Item 5.1

5. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

5.1 **Ernest Wilby House, 1567 Ouellette Avenue**

The Chair inquires of the delegations present representing this application if they have any additional information to supplement the report previously provided by Norm Becker of N. K. Becker Incorporated. The delegations note that the report is complete and are present to respond any questions the Committee may want answered.

The Committee inquires as to why demolition of the structure seems to be a better alternative than the option to improve the site by maintaining and updating the building. It is noted to the Committee that the Applicant is a mortgagee in possession. The recent August 2010 judgement plus the several years of other owner's defaults in mortgage have returned title to the Applicants. The Applicants believe that they have exhausted all possibilities of utilizing the structure compounded with the economy and state of disrepair of the building which does not attract purchasers, leases' or renters but instead rodents and vagrants.

J. Calhoun provides an explanation of the four options contained in his Report dated May 4, 2011.

The Committee inquires regarding the Applicants future land use plans. It is noted that they have no specific plans if the request for demolition occurs. If the request for the demolition permit is provided lands will be cleared and grass will be sodded. They will continue to market the property for a possible joint venture for future development on site. The Applicant remarks that the economic costs out way the integrity and attractiveness of the building.

Councillor Maghnieh arrives at 9:39 o'clock a.m.

Moved by L. Baker, seconded by A. Foot,

That the Ernest Wilby House, 1567 Ouellette Avenue (Plan 358 Block 10, Lot 27 & Lot 28), which is listed in the Windsor Municipal Heritage Register under provisions of Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, should **BE DESIGNATED** for the reasons **attached** as Appendix A.

The motion is put and is lost.

Aye votes: L. Baker and A. Foot

Nay votes: J. Mellow, Councillor Maghnieh, and R. Easterbrook
Absent: N. Slack and S. Chamely
Motion: Lost

The Committee discusses the owner's contribution to the industrial engineering architectural world, the partnership of the Mr. Wilby with famous architect Albert Khan and the important link to a former prominent citizen that this solid home design provides. The Committee discusses the associative value compared to the actual structure itself.

Mr. Becker notes to the Committee that through the many renovations undertaken at the location, with the repurposing of the structure for a Funeral Parlour use in 1964 nothing was left from the Wilby build.

The applicants note to the committee that the demolition of the structure would improve the neighbourhood and a proper use by the next owner would be better for the community.

Moved by Councillor Maghnieh, seconded by L. Baker,
That the report from the Heritage Planner entitled "Proposed Demolition Ernest Wilby House, 1567 Ouellette Avenue" report dated May 4, 2011 **BE RECEIVED**.
Carried.

5.2 ACO/CHO Conference, June 3-5, 2011, Cobourg Ontario

As all Committee members have regretfully declined the opportunity to attend the ACO/CHO Conference on June 3-5, 2011, the Committee respectfully request J. Calhoun, Heritage Planner to consider if a member of the Planning Administration would be available to attend the Conference on behalf of and in the absence of a Windsor Heritage Committee member.

Moved by Councillor Maghnieh, seconded by L. Baker,
That the J. Calhoun, Heritage Planner **BE AUTHORIZED** to consider and determine if a member of the Planning Administration would **BE APPROPRIATE** to invite and attend the ACO/CHO Conference, on June 3-5, 2011 in Cobourg Ontario, on behalf of and in the absence of a Windsor Heritage Committee member.
Carried.

5.3 Ontario Heritage Tool Kit

J. Calhoun notes that Councillor Maghnieh has been furnished with an Ontario Heritage Kit and since no new Committee member was appointed the need for a Ontario Heritage Tool Kit is not necessary.

6.0 COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

J. Calhoun provides background regarding the Draft guide for the conservation and protection of heritage places of worship, attached as Appendix “B”. The Committee is reminded that review of the document and comments are being accepted on the web site on the Environment Registry provided for 30 days after May 20, 2011.

Doors Open 2012

The Doors Open 2012 organization is accepting new members. If you are interested please contact Chairperson Easterbrook for further information.

7.0 FINANCIAL

7.1 Financial Summary Variance Report for the period ending April 30, 2011

Moved by Councillor Maghnieh, seconded by L. Baker,
That the Financial Summary Variance Report for the period ending April 30, 2011 **BE RECEIVED** for information.
Carried.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 10:20 o'clock a.m.

CHAIR

COMMITTEE COORDINATOR