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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Monday, November 22, 2021.

Meeting held electronically and open to public attendance

Council Chamber, City Hall

PRESENT:

Mayor Jonathan Cote
Councillor Chinu Das
Councillor Patrick Johnstone
Councillor Jamie McEvoy
Councillor Nadine Nakagawa
Councillor Mary Trentadue

ABSENT:

Councillor Chuck Puchmayr

STAFF PRESENT:

Ms. Lisa Spitale	Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. Jacque Killawee	City Clerk
Ms. Emilie Adin	Director of Climate Action, Planning and Development
Ms. Britney Dack	Senior Heritage Planner, Climate Action, Planning and Development
Ms. Kathleen Stevens	Heritage Planning Analyst, Climate Action, Planning and Development
Ms. Janet Zazubek	Planner, Climate Action, Planning and Development
Ms. Nicole Ludwig	Assistant City Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Mayor opened the meeting at 9:24 p.m.

2. **BYLAWS CONSIDERED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING**

2.1 **Heritage Revitalization Agreement (515 St. George St) Bylaw No. 8262, 2021**

To enable the construction of a laneway house at 515 St George Street and relax parking requirements. This bylaw is on the agenda for **THIRD READING.**

In discussion, Council members noted:

- This is a good sample of gentle density and supportive of multigenerational living;
- There seems to be a mostly continuous conversation around heritage benefits;
- The fact that the proposed laneway house will be fully accessible is a huge gain for the area;
- Although the laneway house is not affordable housing, it does provide housing options;
- Appreciation for a long but respectful and informative public hearing.

In response to a question from Council, Janet Zazubek, Planner, Climate Action, Planning and Development, noted that if the Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) is not approved, the alternative for the owner is to put in a carport or garage.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Heritage Revitalization Agreement (515 St George St.) Bylaw No. 8262, 2021, be given Third Reading.

Carried.

All members present voted in favour of the motion.

2.2 **Heritage Designation (515 St. George St) Bylaw No. 8263, 2021**

To designate the 1912 house at 515 St. George Street as a protected heritage property. This bylaw is on the agenda for **THIRD READING.**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Heritage Designation (515 St George St.) Bylaw No. 8263, 2021, be given Third Reading.

Carried.

All members present voted in favour of the motion.

2.3 Heritage Revitalization Agreement (208 Fifth Avenue) Bylaw No. 8271, 2021

To enable lot subdivision at 208 Fifth Avenue for retention of the existing house and construction of a new house; and relax lot size, density, siting, bay window width and parking requirements. This bylaw is on the agenda for **THIRD READING**.

In discussion, Council members noted:

- This application has been in process for a couple of years and in that time, the owners have made significant changes in response to City and resident feedback;
- The square footage is well below what is permitted on the lot and the density is in keeping with the area;
- Confidence that staff will resolve the issues concerning the large tree on the neighbors property and in the drive way;
- The applicant should be commended for their perseverance and willingness to adjust plans;
- The Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) review should focus on what is a fair private and a fair community benefit.

In response to a question from Council, Britney Dack, Senior Heritage Planner, advised that two small-scale HRA applications were in progress before the review was launched. Council can expect to see this by Spring 2022.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Heritage Revitalization Agreement (208 Fifth Avenue) Bylaw No. 8271, 2021, be given Third Reading.

Carried.

All members present voted in favour of the motion.

2.4 Heritage Designation (208 Fifth Avenue) Bylaw No. 8272, 2021

To designate the 1910 house at 208 Fifth Avenue as a protected heritage property. This bylaw is on the agenda for **THIRD READING**.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Heritage Designation (208 Fifth Avenue) Bylaw No. 8272, 2021, be given Third Reading.

Carried.

All members present voted in favour of the motion.

3. **BYLAWS FOR WHICH THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS WAIVED**

3.1 **Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Stage 2 - Part A Sustainable Transportation - Bicycle Parking) No. 8231, 2021**

Amendments to modify bicycle parking requirements and bicycle facility design standards. The public hearing for this bylaw was waived because it is consistent with the City's Official Community Plan. This bylaw is on the agenda for **THIRD READING**.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Stage 2 – Part A Sustainable Transportation – Bicycle Parking) No. 8231, 2021, be given Third Reading.

Carried.

All members present voted in favour of the motion.

3.2 **Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Miscellaneous Amendments) No. 8287, 2021**

This Zoning Amendment Bylaw includes identified minor annual miscellaneous revisions, edits and corrections to the Zoning Bylaw. The public hearing for this bylaw was waived because it is consistent with the City's Official Community Plan. This bylaw is on the agenda for **THIRD READING**.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Miscellaneous Amendments) No. 8287, 2021, be given Third Reading.

Carried.

All members present voted in favour of the motion.

4. **END OF THE MEETING**

The meeting ended at 9:51 p.m.

Jonathan Cote

MAYOR

Jacque Killawee

CITY CLERK