

**City of Chilliwack**  
**HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2019 – 7:30am**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL**

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**Council Members:**

Councillor Sue Knott, Chair  
Councillor Bud Mercer, Vice-Chair

**Heritage Advisory Committee:**

Ray Ramey, Atchelitz Threshermen's Association  
Jim Harris, CFB Chilliwack Historical Society  
Jon Kinneman, Algra Brothers Developments  
Kathryn Bourdon, Community Member  
Laura Reid, Community Member  
Tristan Evans, Community Member (Chilliwack Museum)

**City Staff:**

Karen Stanton, Manager of Long Range Planning  
Trish Alsip, Recording Secretary

**Guest:**

Donald Luxton, Senior Cultural Heritage Advisor Donald Luxton & Associates Inc.

**Regrets:**

Dr. David Schaepe, Stó:lō Research & Resource Management Centre

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30am.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved /        )   That the Agenda for the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting of Wednesday,  
Seconded     (   November 13, 2019, be adopted as circulated.

Carried unanimously

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved /        )   That the Minutes for the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting of Monday,  
Seconded     (   June 24, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

Carried unanimously

**4. PRESENTATIONS / DELEGATION**

5. OLD BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS

**Heritage Action Plan – Focus Group Discussion/Presentation**

Donald Luxton, Heritage Consultant, provided a presentation providing a summary of the last meeting (workshop) held on June 24, 2019, regarding the following:

1. Review of Scope of Work
  - Progress to Date
2. Online Heritage Survey Results
3. Preliminary Results of Heritage Consultation
4. Review of Best Practice
  - Values-Based Conservation
  - Standards and Guidelines
  - Conservation Decision-Making Process
  - Municipal Heritage Planning Best Practice

Based on consultation with stakeholders, it is evident that opinions vary widely on the issue of heritage conservation. Developers are requesting clarification of rules/regulations, and legislation provides for and limits the heritage protection. The retention of heritage, in the face of redevelopment, in most cases will depend on a willing negotiation with developers / property owners and incentives will likely be needed. The key factor is to provide incentives for developers as well as clarity, consistence and a process of engagement. Continued discussions with development community and Affordable Housing & Development Committee (AHDC) are required.

Discussion ensued regarding the need to explore examples of heritage projects from other like sized communities and the need for a long-term coordinated effort amongst heritage groups to educate the community.

Vice-Chair Mercer left the meeting at 8:34 am.

The following points were discussed:

- understanding local context and tools available
- building community awareness
- providing more accessible on-line information including connection to the community
- cost of relocating old buildings
- broader sense of heritage – significant people and places
- built heritage is a challenge moving forward
- provincial regulation restraints
- what constitutes heritage – significant people and places should be included
- changing nature and growth of community
- building connections with younger demographic
- working together collectively as a community regarding conservation and preservation
- working to build on existing initiatives to recognize, celebrate, and share First Nations history

**5. OLD BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS (continued)**

Chair Knott thanked the Committee for their dedication and encouraged members to continue to work together in the infancy of this committee towards a solid plan. At the recent Council Budget Planning Session, Chair Knott requested Council to consider providing funding for six BC Hydro kiosks to be wrapped with heritage photographs. Chair Knott requested the Committee meet in the New Year once the Committee had an opportunity to gather some photographs. The examples will then be recommended to Council for consideration. In the meantime, staff will clarify and confirm where the hydro kiosks are located.

Ray Ramey left the meeting at 9:08 am.

Don Luxton will be completing the remaining stakeholders' meetings today and will then begin to prepare the first draft of the Strategic Heritage Action Plan which will be brought back to the Committee with opportunity for input.

Due to time constraints, the Road-Naming Policy item will be tabled and discussed at the next meeting.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**7. INFORMATION**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved/ ) There being no further business, the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting adjourned  
Seconded ( at 9:13 am.

Carried unanimously

**9. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Heritage Advisory Committee will be held at the Call of the Chair.

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Councillor Sue Knott, Chair