



City of Port Moody

Report/Recommendation to Council

Date: October 27, 2022
Submitted by: Heritage Commission
Subject: 2022 Annual Report – Heritage Commission

Purpose

To provide a report on the activities of the 2022 Heritage Commission.

Recommended Resolutions

THAT the report dated October 27, 2022 from the Heritage Commission regarding 2022 Annual Report – Heritage Commission be received for information;

AND THAT the 2023 Heritage Commission be asked to review this report and bring forward its annual Work Plan in spring 2023.

Committee Mandate

The mandate of the Heritage Commission is to act as an advisory body to Council on matters relating to Port Moody's natural and cultural heritage resources, including heritage buildings, sites, and neighbourhoods.

Meetings and Attendance

The Heritage Commission met monthly between January 2022 and October 2022, with the exception of July 2022, due to lack of quorum, and August 2022, due to summer break. In November 2022 several advisory bodies of council, including the Heritage Commission, were placed on pause pending Council's review of the Strategic Plan.

Councillor Meghan Lahti was appointed as Chair and Councillor Diana Dilworth as Vice-Chair for the 2022 term. The following members, representing organizations and the community-at-large, were appointed:

- Laurie Beckwith;
- Dianna Brown;
- Emma O'Dea (to March 2022);
- Rebeca Salas; and
- Joan Stuart.

Jess Daniels, Policy Planner, and Mary De Paoli, Manager of Policy Planning served as the staff liaisons to the Committee. Esin Gozukara served as the Committee Coordinator.

Key Activities and Work Plan

The 2022 Heritage Commission Work Plan was approved by Council on March 8, 2022. The following are the key activities that were undertaken in 2022 by the Heritage Commission (a list of resolutions made in 2022, along with the status of the resolutions, is included in **Attachment 1**):

Heritage Strategic Plan Review

The current Heritage Strategic Plan is expiring in 2022 and the Commission provided preliminary input into the scoping and process for the update. Key directions from the Heritage Commission include broadening the definition of heritage value and focusing on inclusivity in the new Heritage Strategic Plan with a particular emphasis on representing indigenous heritage in the Strategic Plan update.

Heritage App Development

The Community Stories Working Group thoroughly considered and researched options for heritage app development (i.e. On This Spot) between the months of March-September. The Commission passed a resolution to submit an application to the Canada Summer Jobs grant to complete one GIS story in ArcGIS StoryMaps with the assistance of a summer student. This is recommended as a 2023 Work Plan focus item.

Storyboard Program

A subcommittee was formed to support the storyboard program. The activities of the subcommittee included finalizing a storyboard to commemorate the Komagata Maru tragedy and research and sourcing photos and information focused on the mill sites around Rocky Point Park and the Shoreline Trail. The Komagata Maru Storyboard was installed in November 2022 and the Mills Storyboard is scheduled to be installed in Q1/Q2 2023.

Community Outreach and Activities

The Heritage Commission participated in loco Ghost Town Day on September 17, 2022 and the Port Moody Farmers Market on October 26, 2022 to raise community awareness about the Heritage Commission and related activities.

Heritage BC Conference

Two Heritage Commission members attended the virtual 2022 Heritage BC Conference as delegates.

Stone Marker Program

The Arthur White Stone Marker project is a carryover from 2021. Work has not yet been completed on the stone marker. This is recommended as a 2023 Work Plan focus item.

Additions to Heritage Register

A proposal to potentially add two properties to the Heritage Register is currently underway. This is recommended as a 2023 Work Plan focus item.

2022 Heritage Award Nomination

The Heritage Commission reviewed nominations and provided a recommendation to Council for the 2022 Heritage Award recipient.

Strengthening Heritage Protection Bylaws

Council added this item to the Work Plan on March 8, 2022. A Heritage Bylaws Update Working Group was formed and a road map was identified to update the Heritage Procedures Bylaw, 2001, No. 2489 and Heritage Maintenance Standards Bylaw, 2001, No. 2490. The background research is currently under way, and the project will be a 2023 Work Plan focus item.

Heritage Grants and Incentives

Work on Heritage Grants and Incentives was not undertaken in 2022. This is recommended as a 2023 Work Plan focus item.

Heritage Week 2023

The Heritage Commission was planning to undertake work for the 2023 Heritage Week at the November 2022 meeting and seek opportunities to collaborate with the Port Moody Station Museum to participate in the event.

Outstanding Matters

- heritage grants and incentives;
- Arthur White Stone Marker;
- additions to Heritage Register;
- Heritage Bylaws update; and
- Heritage Strategic Plan Update 2023.

Suggested Focus Areas for Next Year

Subject to Council direction, the following focus areas should be included in the Committee's Work Plan for 2023.

- ArcGIS Story Maps;
- Heritage Week 2023;
- heritage grants and incentives;
- Stone Marker/Storyboard Program;
- additions to the heritage register;
- Indigenous heritage recognition and support; and
- Heritage Strategic Plan Update 2023.

Attachment

1. 2022 Heritage Commission Resolutions.

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