



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

**MINUTES**

**HERITAGE COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 12:00 p.m.**

**City Hall, Lower Boardroom**

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Minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. in the Lower Boardroom at City Hall.

The following Committee members were in attendance:

Chair: Councillor J. Morse,  
S. Allerston,  
A. Cartwright,  
L. Gordon,  
D. Finch,  
D. Kellett,  
E. Purchase,  
A. Salomon, and  
N. Santos.

The following Committee members were absent:

Mayor M. Heyck, and  
F. Sangris.

The following members of Administration were in attendance:

J. Larsen, and  
S. Jovic.

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**Call to Order**

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

2. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

**Approval of Agenda**

3. A. Cartwright moved,  
D. Kellett seconded,

**That the Agenda be approved as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



### **Approval of the Minutes**

4. A. Cartwright moved,  
D. Kellett seconded,

**That the Minutes of the meeting held on April 19, 2017 be approved.**

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### **Her Majesty's Canadian Ship (HMCS) Yellowknife**

5. Her Majesty's Canadian Ship (HMCS) Yellowknife update was deferred until the following Heritage Meeting.

### **Heritage Committee Judging at the Yellowknife Regional Learning Fair**

6. Committee noted that the Yellowknife Regional Learning Fair was held on April 28, 2017. Committee further noted that Ms. Gordon attended the Learning Fair and helped judge the projects created by the students. Committee noted that the Heritage Committee presented Heritage Awards in recognition of extraordinary contribution to preserving Yellowknife's history.

### **The Annual Heritage Award**

7. Committee noted that the Annual Heritage Award has not been promoted in recent years and should be as it is open to any individual or organization that has made or continues to make significant contribution to promotion and/or preservation of heritage resources in Yellowknife.

***Action Item: Administration to bring forward a discussion regarding the Annual Yellowknife Heritage Award to the Heritage Committee Meeting scheduled for October.***

### **Intercultural Heritage and Placemaking Plan**

8. Committee noted that the City of Yellowknife Heritage Committee has committed to greater inclusion of local First Nations in its activities to promote Yellowknife's history. Committee further noted that the Heritage Committee has embarked upon an ambitious Intercultural Heritage & Placemaking Plan ("Plan") to visibly recognize locations significant to Yellowknife's indigenous people and the rich history. Committee stated that the locations and projects have been developed through consultation with stakeholders from indigenous governments, various City Divisions, and the City of Yellowknife Heritage Committee. Committee further stated that the featured locations are:

- Back Bay Cemetery
- Sacred Tree
- Hank Koenen Park
- Weaver's Drive & Portage
- Downtown near 50th Street
- Raven Sculpture at Raccine Park

Administration will circulate a draft copy of the Plan for review, before presenting it to Council for approval. Committee further advised that the Chair's responsibility is to present a written and verbal annual report within the second quarter regarding the activities of the Committee



over the past year to the appropriate Standing Committee of Council. Committee further noted that this would be an opportunity to present the Strategic Plan to Council along with the Plan.

***Action Item: Administration to bring forward a draft Intercultural Heritage & Placemaking Plan to the next regularly scheduled Heritage Committee Meeting.***

#### **Canada 150 Heritage Event Planning/Yellowknife's 50<sup>th</sup> year as Capital of the NWT**

9. Committee noted that May 1, 2017 marked the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Yellowknife as a capital. Committee further noted that a number of events will be hosted by the City of Yellowknife. Administration advised that the City is looking for partners who can contribute to the success of these events. Administration further advised that the City invite the Heritage Committee to provide events for the anniversary activities. Committee noted that Mr. Jake Ootes, is writing a book commemorating Yellowknife's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as the capital of the NWT; however the publication date has not yet been determined.

***Action Item: Dave Finch to follow up with Mr. Jake Ootes, who is writing a book commemorating Yellowknife's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as the capital of the NWT to inquire about the publication date.***

#### **Pilot's Monument Repair Update**

10. Committee noted that the City made repairs to Pilot's Monument. Committee suggested that the Heritage Committee former chair, Mike Vaydik, be notified that repairs were made.

***Action Item: Administration to draft a letter to Mike Vaydik to advise that the repairs to Pilot's Monument have been made.***

#### **Budget Update**

11. Administration provided an update on the budget.

#### **Heritage Committee Funding Program**

12. Committee noted that the Heritage Committee provides limited funding to groups for projects that celebrate Yellowknife's history and culture. Committee further noted that no funding applications were received for the Heritage Committee Funding Program. Committee requested that the deadline for applications be extended.

***Action Item: Administration to extend the deadline for the Heritage Committee Funding Program to June 30, 2017.***

#### **Future Recognition and Designation of Heritage Resources**

13. Committee noted that the Heritage Committee should explore possibilities of recognizing and designating more heritage resources and neighbourhoods (e.g. Woodyard, houseboats etc.). Committee requested that a discussion regarding the Woodyard be included on the next agenda.

***Action Item: Administration to include a discussion regarding the possibility of recognizing the Woodyard as a heritage resource at the next regularly scheduled Heritage Meeting.***



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**Next Scheduled Meeting**

14. Committee noted that the next regular meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2017.

**Adjournment**

15. E. Purchase moved,  
D. Finch seconded,

**That the meeting be adjourned at 1:05 p.m.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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