

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD AGENDA NOTICE OF MEETING

Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. Parkdale Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall (199 Queen Street)

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Declaration of Conflicts
- 3. Approval of Agenda Approval of Agenda for Thursday, February 20, 2020
- 4. Adoption of Minutes Minutes of Design Review Meeting on Monday, November 25, 2019
- 5. Business arising from Minutes
- 6. Reports:
 - a. <u>55 Chestnut Street (PID #361527) Greg</u> Request to review renderings of proposed modifications from the October 30, 2018 meeting.
- 7. Introduction of New Business
- 8. Adjournment

PLANNING AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE – DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MINUTES MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2019 12:00PM PARKDALE ROOM, CITY HALL

Included	Councillor Greg Rivard, Chair	Sharon Larter, RM
	Deputy Mayor Jason Coady, Vice-Chair	Alex Forbes, PHM
	Councillor Julie McCabe	Greg Morrison, PII
	Greg Munn, RM	Robert Zilke, PII
	Kenneth McInnis, RM	Ellen Ganga, IA/AA
	Kris Fournier, RM	
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RegretsMayor Philip BrownBrian Gillis, RMCouncillor Bob Doiron

1. Call to Order

Councillor Greg Rivard called the meeting to order at 12:03 pm.

2. <u>Declaration of Conflicts</u>

Councillor Greg Rivard asked if there are any other conflicts. Greg Munn, RM, declared conflict for Item #2, 6 Prince Street.

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Kenneth McInnis, RM, and seconded by Greg Munn, RM, that the agenda for Monday, November 25, 2019, be approved.

4. <u>Adoption of Minutes</u>

Moved by Councillor Julie McCabe and seconded by Kris Fournier, RM, that the minutes of the Monday, November 18, 2019 meeting, be approved.

CARRIED

CARRIED

5. Business arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

6. <u>165 Prince Street (PID #342600)</u>

This is a request to construct two (2) additional stories on the existing building consisting of sixty (60) suites for a hostel and office/commercial uses on the ground floor located at 165 Prince Street (PID #342600) in the Downtown Main Street (DMS) Zone. Robert Zilke, PII, presented the application. See attached report.

Since the application is considered to be a major expansion to an existing building, it is subject to undergo design review process. The applicant submitted an initial plan and the design reviewers provided their comments. The applicant made revisions to align to the reviewer's comments.

Gregg Munn, RM, commented that the windows shown in the floor plan and the elevation drawings do not seem to match. Mr. Zilke responded to confirm that the drawings and plans have changed and that the proposed student residences are also being changed to hostel. Mr. Munn and Councillor McCabe both asked if the hostel would be as-of-right and Mr. Zilke confirmed that it is a permitted use in the DMS zone. Mr. Zilke also added that originally, the units were

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going to be rented to students during the school year and then as short term rentals during the summer months but since dormitories are not a permitted use, the applicant changed the proposal to a hostel. Mr. Zilke also added that hostels are considered transit lodging for travelers.

Councillor McCabe also requested if the applicants could provide the final drawings to show the correct window placements since the drawings presented to do not reflect the final plans. Mr. Zilke commented that any substantial change would require another review by the board. Sharon Larter, RM, asked why the application is being presented at this time if the design is not the final design that is going to be approved/ rejected by the board. Mr. Zilke responded that he talked to the applicant and the applicant mentioned that they are going to leave it as is.

Councillor Rivard asked what materials would be used and Mr. Zilke responded that the applicants are replicating the materials used in the existing structure. Dave Stewart, resident, asked if the proposed building would now have two entrances and Mr. Zilke confirmed.

Councillor Greg Rivard asked for comments or questions; there being none, the following resolution was put forward:

Moved by Greg Munn, RM, and seconded by Kris Fournier, RM, that the proposed design to construct two (2) additional stories on the existing building consisting of sixty (60) suites for a hostel and office/commercial uses on the ground floor located at 165 Prince Street (PID #342600), be approved.

CARRIED (6-0)

7. <u>6 Prince Street (PID #739128)</u>

Greg Munn has declared conflict and stepped out of the meeting room for this application.

This is a request for an addition and new entrance to Visitor Information Centre for Founder's Hall located at 6 Prince Street (PID #739128). Greg Morrison, PII, presented the application. See attached report. Robert Haggis, developer, was present at the meeting to answer any possible questions.

Mr. Morrison presented the proposed design of the addition to the building. The main floor will be enclosed using glass material and will serve as an extension to the existing visitor information centre, while the second floor will serve as an outdoor deck. The design reviewer had comments in relation to the bylaw regulations on window placement, materials and consistent style in relation to the existing structure. While the proposal does necessarily follow the pattern of the existing structure, the design reviewer felt that the proposed design was the most appropriate option to be able to see the old building structure and be able to preserve the look of the building. Founder's Hall is also not a Heritage Structure but the addition to the structure does not destroy the view of the old walls and look of the building.

Kenneth McInnis, RM, commented that he has no problem with the proposed design and the design looks great. Mr. McInnis asked about the type of material for the white pattern along the windows and Mr. Haggis responded that it will be ACM panels which will look like a galvoline

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finish to match the windows below. Mr. Haggis also commented that they intentionally did not want to go with the green pattern and that they target to make the look as invisible as possible but still highlight the entrance to the visitor information centre. Mr. McInnis also clarified that the property is not a historical property and Ms. Larter asked how this adheres to the historical structure of the building. Mr. Haggis responded that the property is not a historical property and the proposed addition is trying to make it disappear but retain the existing brick material and keep the historical value of the building. Ms. Larter asked how the addition is going to be attached to the brick wall and Mr. Haggis commented that they are maintaining the majority of the brick and will be inserting steel ledgers to support the structure. Ms. Larter also asked if snow would pile up on the deck and Mr. Haggis mentioned that similar to how snow would pile up on the structure and through the storm water drain.

Ms. Larter commented that she was surprised that the property is not a designated heritage resource but acknowledged the efforts of the developer to maintain its historical value.

Councillor Greg Rivard asked for comments or questions; there being none, the following resolution was put forward:

Moved by Kenneth McInnis, RM, and seconded by Sharon Larter, RM, that the proposed design for an addition and new entrance to Visitor Information Centre for Founder's Hall at 6 Prince Street (PID #739128), be approved.

CARRIED (6-0)

8. <u>New Business</u>

Councillor Rivard commented on a previous affordable housing application that went through the design review process and he thought that the application has been approved already but realized that it had to go through Council for a decision. During the review, the board did not agree with staff's recommendation and moved to approve the proposed design review. In this case, a resolution has been prepared for Council to make the final determination. Mr. Zilke and Mr. Forbes both responded that when the board does not agree with staff's decision, a resolution is forwarded to Council for the final decision. Councillor Rivard then asked if there is a cut-off or a threshold as to when an application can be decided upon by the Board and when it has to be forwarded to Council for a decision. Mr. Forbes responded that there are plans to revisit the current procedure for affordable housing when there is disagreement between staff and board's recommendation, that there are parameters to determine when a decision can be made by the Board and when it has to require Council's decision. Mr. Munn also agreed with Councillor Rivard's comments that if the board agrees on an application, the board should have the authority to make a decision and not have to go to Council.

9. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Julie McCabe and seconded by Kenneth McInnis, RM, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

Councillor Greg Rivard, Chair

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TITLE: DES FILE: DESIGN 55 CHESTNUT OWNER: 11	CHARLOTTETOWN			
MEETING DATE: February 20, 2020	Page 1 of 4			
DEPARTMENT: Planning & Heritage	 ATTACHMENTS: A. Design Review Submission (October 25, 2018) B. External Design Reviewer Comments (October 29, 2018) C. Heritage Board (Design Review) Minutes (October 30, 2018) D. Building Permit Submission (February 3, 2020) 			
SITE INFORMATION: Context: Chestnut Street between University Avenue & Queen Street Ward No: 4 – St. Avards Existing Land Use: 27-Unit Apartment Dwelling under Construction Official Plan: Medium Density Residential Zoning: Medium Density Residential (R-3) Zone				
PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS: Design Review approval was granted on October 30, 2018.				

RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning & Heritage Department encourages the Design Review Board to approve the revised elevations for the proposed four storey, 27-unit apartment dwelling at 55 Chestnut Street (PID #361527).

Request

The property owner is applying to change the design of the proposed four storey, 27-unit apartment dwelling currently under construction at 55 Chestnut Street (PID #361527).

Design Review / Development Agreement History

The property owner signed a Development Agreement on December 14, 2017 which was registered by the Province of Prince Edward Island on December 19, 2017 as Doc #10552 in Book 5691.

Section 2.5 of said Agreement stated that:

The 27 unit apartment dwelling's exterior shall be constructed as approved by Council and the Plans annexed in Schedule "B". Lot 17-2 shall be subject to a future design review approval as per the Zoning & Development Bylaw, in accordance with Council's October 10, 2017 resolution. The afore mentioned building design will form the basis of the future design review process.

In light of the foregoing, the property owner submitted an application for design review on September 13, 2018; however, the elevation drawings were not submitted until October 25, 2018.

The submitted elevations drawings were sent to the external design review, Robert Matthews, on October 26, 2018. Mr. Matthews, provided conditional approval on October 29, 2018. In the letter, Mr. Matthews, provides the following conclusion:

Generally, I find this design is acceptable. Chestnut Street, in this block has fewer historic buildings than Passmore to take into consideration.

It might be more interesting if the applicant could consider differentiating this Phase from the previous (different patterns in the windows and a different colour palette) to give this building its own identity.

Assuming that Phase 1 was approved, I recommend that this design be conditionally approved.

The applicant proceeded to the Design Review Board on October 30, 2018 at which time the following resolution was passed:

Moved by Simon Moore, RM and seconded by Bobby Shepherd, RM that revised design review application for the property located at 55 Chestnut Street (PID #361527), be approved provided that the commentaries from this design review be incorporated.

CARRIED

ANALYSIS:

The drawing package for approval was submitted on February 3, 2020. During the review of the Building & Development Permit application, it was determined that a few design changes from the original Design Review approval have been proposed. The changes include, but are not limited to:

Multiple Elevations

<u>Trim</u>

• The pre-finished metal band has been removed.

North Elevation (adjacent to 26 Passmore Street – PID #361675)

Windows / Man Doors

- Design Review Submission on October 25, 2018 included 19 windows (5 columns of windows) and three man doors on this elevations
- Building Permit Submission on February 3, 2020 includes 36 windows (10 columns of windows) and four man doors.

Garage Door

- Design Review Submission on October 25, 2018 illustrated the garage door to the underground parking at the bottom of the ramp.
- Building Permit Submission on February 3, 2020 illustrates the garage door to the underground parking at the top of the ramp.

West Elevation (adjacent to Chestnut Street (PID #357749)

Windows / Doors / Balconies

- Design Review Submission on October 25, 2018 illustrated 8 windows (2 columns) and four sliding doors / balconies on the northern side of the west elevation.
- Building Permit Submission on February 3, 2020 illustrates 12 windows (3 columns) and no sliding doors / balconies on the northern side of the west elevation.

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Finally staff would note that on February 6, 2020, the property owner indicated that they are considering different colours for the building as per the comments through the previous Design Review approval. If these changes are submitted prior to the Design Review meeting, staff will bring the proposed changes in color to said meeting.

Staff has reviewed the changes and believes that the proposed changes are minor in nature and should be approved by the Design Review Board. The additional windows at the rear of the building are preferable to the previous approved façade. While the removal of the balconies on the West elevation is less appealing esthetically, the visibility of the façade will be lessened following the development of the adjacent property (PID #357749). Further, the removal of the balconies on the west façade will increase the privacy for the adjacent property (PID #357749) once it is developed.

Notwithstanding, staff feels that the Design Review Board has three options:

- 1. Approve the revised drawings as submitted;
- 2. Approve the revised drawings as submitted subject to modifications; or
- 3. Direct staff to send the revised drawings back to the design reviewer prior to having the Design Review Board review / approve the revised drawings.

CONCLUSION:

Staff is recommending that the Design Review Board approved the proposed changes.

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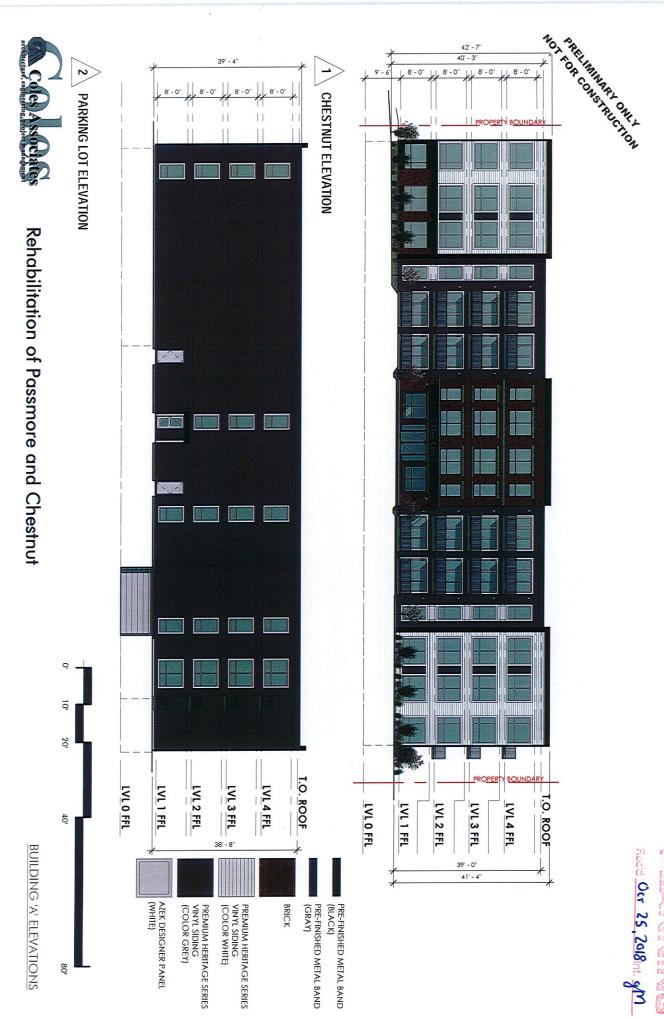
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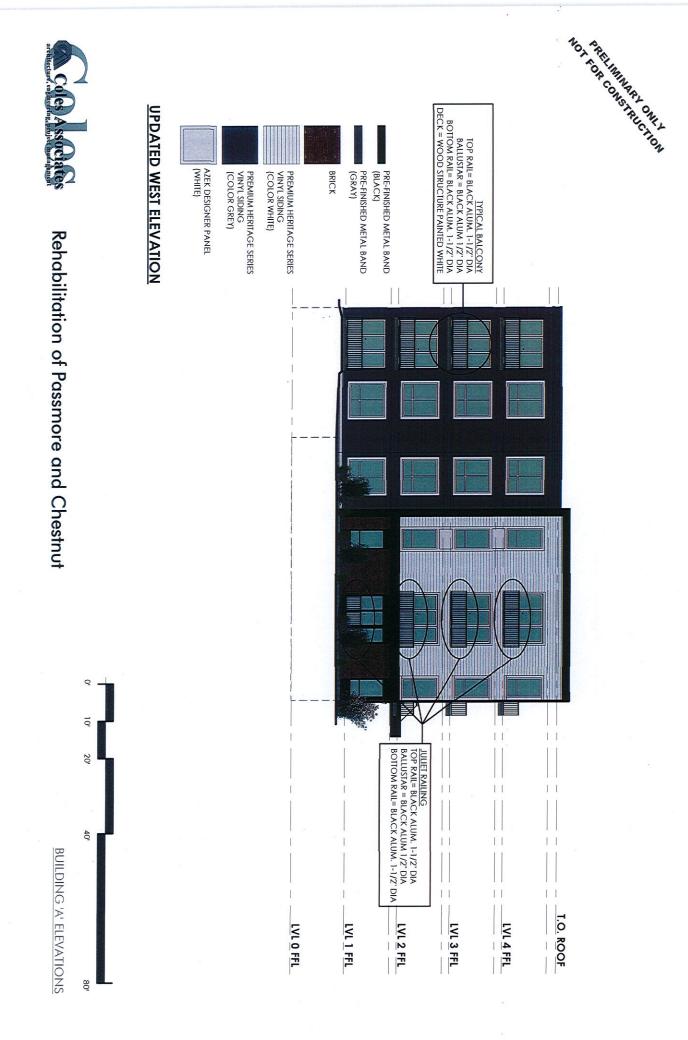
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ATTACHMENT B

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Concept Plans for

Passmore Chestnut Rehabilitation Project; Phase 2 Submission Coles Associates Ltd.

This is a resubmission of this project on Chestnut Street. The proposal is a two phase project with Phase 1 facing Passmore.

N45 ARCHITECTURE INC.

PLANNING

Red'd Oct 29, 2018 Int. aM

The proposed Phase 2 development is located outside the 500 Lot Area. The Chestnut Street [and neighbourhood] is a street that has experienced redevelopment in the form of Invesco Office Complex, Kwik Kopy, 33 Chestnut [Row house infill on Queen St.] and the Jean Canfield building nearby.

This submission is in the same architectural language as the Passmore, Phase 1 proposal and also retains the 4 storey structure/scale as previously submitted. Generally, this second submission is similar to the Phase 1 submission.

500 Lot Design Guidelines

Proposed Designs Contextual References:-

- Siting of adjacent residences relationships to property lines
- Front yards ground cover or low planting
- Primary entrances
- Parking is not in the front setback, but internal to the development via a courtyard.
- No visual impact of a garage
- New construction reflects the scale of the adjacent neighbouring structures
- The elevational treatment is sufficiently modulated to be sympathetic to the historical and residential scale of Charlottetown. The widths reflect the width of a typical residence.
- The windows reflect placement and scale of residential structures.
- Materials proposed for the construction include brick, glass and vinyl siding in palette of residential colours.

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Design Review Comments

Overview

As per the previous project, Phase 1, the development is outside the 500 Lot area and as the proponent has pointed out there are other recent projects that have been constructed in the vicinity, that not referential to historic structures.

As previously stated, the scale, height, and proportions of the building elements are similar to the first phase and are also sympathetic with the scale of the neighbours. It's siting responds to the streetscape context.

Conclusion

Generally, I find this design is acceptable. Chestnut Street, in this block has fewer historic buildings than Passmore to take into consideration.

It might be more interesting if the applicant could consider differentiating this Phase from the previous [different patterns in the windows and a different colour palette] to give this building its own identity.

Assuming that Phase 1 was approved, I recommend that this design be conditionally approved.

Prepared by:-N45 Architecture Inc. **Robert Matthews**

ATTACHMENT C

PLANNING AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE – DESIGN REVIEW BOARD OCTOBER 30, 2018 12:00 PM PARDKALE ROOM, CITY HALL

Included	Councillor Greg Rivard, Chair	Bobby Shepherd, RM
	Councillor Terry MacLeod	Alex Forbes, PHM
	Councillor Jason Coady	Todd Saunders, HO
	Simon Moore, RM	Greg Morrison, PII
	Aaron Stavert, RM	Ellen Ganga, IA/AA
	Ian MacLeod, RM	

<u>Regrets</u> Tara Maloney, RM

1. Call to Order

Councillor Greg Rivard called the meeting to order at 12:18 pm.

2. Declaration of Conflicts

Councillor Greg Rivard asked if there are any conflicts and there being none, moved to the approval of the agenda.

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Aaron Stavert, RM, and seconded by Simon Moore, RM, that the agenda for Tuesday, October 30, 2018, with the addition of 55 Chestnut Street, be approved.

CARRIED

4. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Terry MacLeod and seconded by Councillor Jason Coady that the minutes of the Tuesday, September 4, 2018 meeting be approved.

CARRIED

5. Business arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

6. 98 Stan MacPherson Way (PID #1088368)

This is a revised design proposal for the property located at 98 Stan MacPherson Way (PID #1088368). Greg Morrison, PII, presented the application. See attached report.

This application was first presented in 2016 and the original building size was twice as large as the current proposal. Earlier in 2018, the revised application was presented to the Heritage Board for information purposes which was slightly different from the original proposal. There were a number of changes and a conference with the architect, David Lopes, was conducted and some of the comments have been incorporated in the recent design changes. The changes meet the design review requirements and the design review was completed and approved recently.

Comments/concerns noted:

• Board members expressed concern about the materiality of the proposed design. There are lots of materials going on the same plane, third floor doesn't step back like other buildings along the street, the grey stripes are not recessing anymore. Since this is a building that will be built along the waterfront, the board feels that the building design

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should be of a quality that merits this location and it is important to spent the time reviewing the design of this building.

- Staff mentioned that design reviewer did discuss the application of building materials on the various street frontages of the exterior of this building. The design reviewer questioned the architect whether it was possible to contrast the various building materials by applying them on an angle to help with the transition front materials to be wood and the back to be more of stone (wood representing residential and stone representing industrial feel of the waterfront). The applicant did not agree with the recommendation so the architect continued with the design as presented.
- Staff also added that the architect spent a lot of time to make the design and materiality work. There were concessions on some design elements and since some of the concerns raised today are similar to previous comments, it was suggested that another discussion with the architect on this issue should be undertaken.
- The timeline of the project was discussed and Staff noted that the application has been around since 2016 and the applicants already did some site works and intend to start doing foundations as soon as possible.
- The Board noted if there are changes that need to be made or additional reviews need to be considered, we can defer this application until issues are addressed.

Councillor Rivard asked for comments or questions; there being none, the following resolution was put forward:

Moved by Aaron Stavert, RM and seconded by Councillor Terry MacLeod that revised design review application for the property located at 8 Stan MacPherson Way (PID #1088368), be deferred until issues on the exterior materiality of the building are addressed.

CARRIED

7. 55 Chestnut Street (PID #361527)

This is a design proposal for the property located at 55 Chestnut Street (PID #361527). Alex Forbes, PHM, presented the application. See attached report.

This application is the second phase of the Chestnut-Passmore rehabilitation project. The first phase was the building along Passmore Street which is currently being inspected for occupancy. This second phase will be along Chestnut Street which is less sensitive with regard to street frontage along Passmore Street which is surrounded by residential dwellings. The proposed Chestnut street building is almost the same design as the Passmore Street building but will just a larger version of it. The design reviewer has agreed that it can move forward the way it is currently designed but suggested that the applicant may wish to consider slight variations to the colors of this building to differentiate it from the Passmore Street elevation. Since this is the last Board Meeting of this Council, the applicant would like to have the design review approved so he can move forward with obtaining building permits.

Comments:

• The Board noted that they are receptive to a slight change in colors and Staff noted that they will work with the applicant on this suggestion.

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Moved by Simon Moore, RM and seconded by Bobby Shepherd, RM that revised design review application for the property located at 55 Chestnut Street (PID #361527), be approved provided that the commentaries from this design review be incorporated.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 PM.

Councillor Greg Rivard

ATTACHMENT D

