



Massey Victory Heights Residents Association

Membership Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2023. 7 pm.

Mount Zion Lutheran Church

1. Land acknowledgement
2. Introduction of executive members:
 - Vice President: Sid Johnson
 - Treasurer: Deb Thomas (regrets)
 - Secretary: Danielle Karlsson
 - Directors At Large: Chester Kmiec, Sue Johnson
 - WebMaster: Terry Tomcko
3. **Heritage Conservation Area** - Presentation by Deane Gurney with the New Westminster Preservation Society
 - a. How it got started: Queens Park has a lot of interesting buildings and lots of lands, making investors want to demolish a lot of houses. Neighbours decided to go with a heritage conservation route
 - b. When your property is designated, it will be noted on the title on your property so you will be aware of it.
 - c. There are non-protected and protected categories
 - d. You can ask to have your house protected
 - e. Design Guidelines Document Addressing Renovation
 - f. Construction - document to be followed for proposed changes or addition to the front, sides or visible roofline.
 - g. Owners of houses in the Non-protected category, who feel that their properties have strong enough heritage merit, could change to the protected category by applying to list the house on the Heritage Register
 - h. Once a property is included on the Heritage Register it would also become the Protected category and would be eligible for any incentives



- i. Advantages of having a Protected property include incentives, such as density bonusing , special provisions in the B.C. Building Code.
- j. Non- Protected versus Protected Categories:

New Construction Non-protected	Protected
Single Family home permitted area	Demolition could be considered
Floor Space Ratio of 0,5	Subject to evaluation
Building height 25 ft	Floor Space Ratio of 0.7
Garages and accessory buildings placed at the rear of the property, not easily visible to the public	Potential density incentives for structures

- k. You can read all the information about the City’s policies about Heritage Conservation at <https://www.newwestcity.ca/heritage/queens-park-heritage-conservation-area>
 - l. A number of residents expressed interest in Heritage conservation to protect the scale and character of specific streets. The conversation and viability needs to be led by the residents committed to their specific neighbourhood area. The Residents Association can offer insight further to this presentation if there is further interest.
4. New Business:
- a. Concerned about the lines that need painting on 8th Avenue. Attendees were reminded of previous MVHRA news blast with the Cities reply (news blast from Feb 23 , 2023) the identified the Cities timelines per their guidelines.
 - b. MVHRA advised attendees the *Annual Family Block Party in the Park* has been cancelled this year. However, in lieu reminded residents of the MVHRA’s individual Block party grants that the RA is still open for application.
5. Meeting Adjourned at 8:52 pm