

Closed Museum Committee Minutes

October 4, 2018 10:06 a.m. Council Chambers Walkerton, Ontario

Present: Warden Paul Eagleson

Councillors Janice Jackson (Chair), Anne Eadie, David Inglis, Milt McIver,

Mike Smith and Mitch Twolan

Staff: Kelley Coulter, Chief Administrative Officer

Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk Cathy McGirr, Museum Director

Christine MacDonald, Director of Human Services

Matt Meade, Strategic Research Analyst

Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning and Development

Stellina Williams, Business Investment Specialist - Energy Sector

Donna Van Wyck, Clerk

1. Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

2. Minutes

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie Seconded by Councillor David Inglis

That the minutes of the July 12, 2018 closed meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

3. Museum Expansion and Nuclear Innovation Institute Build

The Museum Director reported that as per the closed report on July 12, County Council was provided with several scenarios regarding the Museum expansion with and without the Applied Research Centre (Ontario Nuclear Innovation Institute) on the newly acquired property at 254 High Street.

Since that time the work towards progressing the Nuclear Innovation Institute (NII) has advanced and we continue to work with Bruce Power to further define the physical footprint of the Museum expansion including the NII.

After several discussions with the selected architectural firm Reitch & Petch it has become apparent that in order to accommodate the physical needs of the space for both the Museum and the NII, benefit from the full utilization of a shared spaces model and incorporate considerations from the public regarding the aesthetics of the building it is clear that the original options provided have limitations and would not allow for the vision to be accomplished.

Approaching the building from a single build perspective rather than two distinct buildings allows for better utilization and flow of shared space, the necessary square footage for the Museum expansion, as well as, accommodating all functions for the NII (Innovation / Incubation / Skilled Trades Secretariat); while providing seamless integration of the new building with the existing footprint.

In the original options provided - Option 4 allowed for the Museum expansion at the original size of 18,935 sq. ft. with the NII at 12,730 sq. ft. with access to shared space at 2,190 sq. ft. (2 classrooms and Community Gallery) plus the theatre. With the approach of a single build the Museum expansion still maintains the footprint required at 18,935 sq. ft., with most of the space fully accessible on one level which allows staff easier access of documents and monitoring of space.

The spatial analysis chart along with the blocking / stacking drawings identifies the square footage gained by combining the footprint in one build.

Mr. Whit Petch, Senior Principal with Reitch & Petch was in attendance to review the conceptual drawings and recommendation for consideration.

The Museum Expansion and Nuclear Innovation Institute Build Report was received for information.

Staff were directed to move forward to present conceptual drawings for the combined Archives and Nuclear Innovation Institute Build at the fall public engagement session.

Adjournment
Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie Seconded by Councillor David Inglis
That the meeting of the Museum Committee adjourn at 10:34 a.m.
Carried
Councillor Janice Jackson, Chair
Museum Committee