

Meeting 2018 April 16 COUNCIL REPORT

## COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

## SUBJECT: HERITAGE BC ANNUAL CONFERENCE, NEW WESTMINSTER, BC – 2018 MAY 10-12

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. THAT Council authorize an expenditure up to \$1,320 for Community Heritage Commission members to attend the Heritage BC Annual Conference to be held New Westminster, BC in May 2018.

## **REPORT**

The Community Heritage Commission, at its meeting held on 2018 April 05, received information from Heritage BC regarding its upcoming Annual Conference. Commission members expressed an interest in attending the Conference, which will be held in New Westminster, BC from 2018 May 10 to May 12.

Heritage BC organizes an annual conference with a focus on a different heritage theme every year. It offers a great opportunity to hear keynote speakers, participate in workshops, raise community issues and attend the Annual General Meeting. Held in a different city every year, the annual conference also includes guided tours to explore the important heritage sites of the host community. Recent achievements across the Province are recognized at the Annual Awards ceremony and banquet.

This year's conference theme is *"Rich Heritage: Telling Our Stories"*. Storytelling brings to life beliefs, ideas, knowledge and values. Stories connect past and present, create community, preserve language, share knowledge, and connect people. Stories are intangible but they transmit heritage and culture. They share memories and reveal new understandings, draw us together and shape our communities.

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The Community Heritage Commission respectfully requests that Council authorize an expenditure up to \$1,320 for Community Heritage Commission members to attend the Heritage BC 2018 Annual Conference. Funds are available in the Committees, Boards and Commissions budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Colleen Jordan Chair

Councillor Sav Dhaliwal Vice Chair