Minute No. 202
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development – February 4, 2019

Item No. 8 List of Historical Resources – Nomination of John A. Russell Building (Architecture) – University of Manitoba, 83 Dafoe Road

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development and adopted the following:

1. That John A. Russell Building (Architecture) – University of Manitoba, 83 Dafoe Road, be added to the list of Historical Resources with the following character defining elements:

   Exterior:

   - The two-storey building with a concrete and steel structural system, rectangular in form with an open interior courtyard, its exterior walls cantilevered over its foundation and clad in a repetitive curtain wall glazing system with concrete spandrels on all exterior walls and with a flat roof, located on the north side of Dafoe Road with its main façades facing south onto Dafoe Road and north into an open area and other campus buildings, its west façade facing a parking lot and other campus buildings and its east façade facing other campus buildings; and

   - The north and south façades with an expressed structural system of projecting concrete piers, their central entrances accessed from concrete and steel stairs with raised platform landings, the north landing with a sculpture and integrated sign.

   Interior:

   - Volume of space and original finishes of main floor open foyer, library, and auditorium ("Centre Space")

   - The arrangement of the main floor office wing;

   - The arrangement of open studios on the second floor;

   - Volume of space and original finishes of the second floor student lounge; and

   - Volume of space and original finishes of the central staircase from the basement to the second floor.

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COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Mayes,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development be adopted by consent.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 19, 2019, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 4, 2019, the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development concurred in the recommendation of the Historical Buildings and Resources Committee and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

Further, on February 4, 2019, Jaret Klymchuk, Director of Architectural and Engineering Services, University of Manitoba, submitted a communication dated January 31, 2019, in opposition to the matter.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On December 20, 2018, the Historical Buildings and Resources Committee recommended to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development that John A. Russell Building (Architecture) – University of Manitoba, 83 Dafoe Road, be added to the list of Historical Resources with the following character defining elements:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

Exterior:

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Exterior (continued):

- The north and south façades with an expressed structural system of projecting concrete piers, their central entrances accessed from concrete and steel stairs with raised platform landings, the north landing with a sculpture and integrated sign.

Interior:

- Volume of space and original finishes of main floor open foyer, library, and auditorium ("Centre Space")
- The arrangement of the main floor office wing;
- The arrangement of open studios on the second floor;
- Volume of space and original finishes of the second floor student lounge; and
- Volume of space and original finishes of the central staircase from the basement to the second floor.

The Historical Buildings and Resources Committee received a written submission from the owner, dated October 19, 2018, in opposition to the John A. Russell Building (Architecture) – University of Manitoba, 83 Dafoe Road, being added to the List of Historical Resources.