

Economic and Development Services Department

Date: January 19, 2024

File: HTG-24-03

To: Heritage Oshawa

From: Harrison Whilsmith, Planner A
Economic and Development Services Department

Re: 2023 Year End Accomplishments

The following report provides an overview of the Heritage Oshawa Advisory Committee's accomplishments as of year-end 2023.

Members

The Committee is made up of seven citizen volunteers, as well as a City Council representative and a Stakeholder Member from the Oshawa Historical Society.

The following members served in all or part of 2023:

- Diane Stephen, Chair;
- Patty Davis, Vice Chair;
- Councillor Brian Nicholson, Council Representative;
- Jennifer Weymark, Oshawa Historical Society Stakeholder Member;
- Alan Willison, Member (January – October);
- Chris Lapa, Member;
- John O'Boyle, Member;
- Nadim Lalani, Member; and,
- Robert Bell, Member.

Heritage Oshawa Accomplishments

Comments/Feedback on Development Applications, Projects, and Other Matters

By year-end 2023, Heritage Oshawa reviewed and provided comments/feedback to City staff on various development applications, projects, and other matters including but not limited to:

- Site Plan Approval for the City-led redevelopment of Rotary Park and Pool (254 Centre Street South);
- Columbus Study Circulation: Draft Recommended Land Use and Road Plan, Land Budget and Supporting Documents;
- Zoning By-law Amendment development application at 39 Athol Street West;
- Heritage Impact Assessment for 500 Howard Street (Metrolinx);
- Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments development application at 70 King Street East;

- Application to demolish for the Robert McLaughlin House (195 Simcoe Street North); and,
- The City-led Frame Project public art locations.

Designation of Heritage Properties

Over the course of 2023, Heritage Oshawa recommended that the following properties be approved for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act:

- 30 Connaught Street;
- Union Cemetery (760 King Street West);
- Robert McLaughlin Gallery (72 Queen Street);
- Memorial Park (110 Simcoe Street South); and,
- The former Harmony Public School (149 Harmony Road South).

Heritage Permit Process

As recommended by Heritage Oshawa, and pursuant to Council direction to staff on September 26, 2022, the City of Oshawa officially implemented its Heritage Permit submission process in October 2023.

The Heritage Permit process and instructions on how to apply for a Heritage Permit is available on the City's website at the following link: <https://forms.oshawa.ca/Development-Services/Planning-Services/Apply-for-a-Heritage-Permit>.

Annual Memberships

Heritage Oshawa continues to support the following organizations through an annual membership: National Heritage Trust, Community Heritage Ontario, and Ontario Historical Society. The Oshawa Historical Society has granted Heritage Oshawa a complimentary membership.

Heritage Oshawa Working Groups

In 2023, various working groups were established to carry out specific projects as required. The following list details the name of each working group and the members included:

- 2022 Year End Accomplishments Working Group
 - Patty Davis (chair), Diane Stephen, and Robert Bell
- Heritage Week Working Group
 - Robert Bell (chair), Diane Stephen, John O'Boyle, and Patty Davis
- Heritage Oshawa Inventory and Register Working Group
 - Patty Davis (chair), Diane Stephen, and John O'Boyle
- Research Report Working Group
 - Chris Lapa (chair), Alan Willison, and Robert Bell
- Heritage Oshawa Brochure Working Group
 - Diane Stephen (chair), Robert Bell, and Patty Davis
- 4681 Old Simcoe Street Working Group
 - Patty Davis (chair), Alan Willison, and Diane Stephen

- 70 King Street East Development Application Working Group
 - John O'Boyle (chair), Alan Willison, and Diane Stephen
- Heritage Oshawa Centennial Brochure Working Group
 - Diane Stephen (chair), Patty Davis, and Robert Bell
- 154 Bruce Street Working Group
 - Alan Willison (chair), Robert Bell, and Chris Lapa
- Canada Day 2023 Working Group
 - Diane Stephen (chair), Robert Bell, and Patty Davis
- Stevenson Road North Municipal Class Assessment Study Working Group
 - Diane Stephen (chair), Robert Bell, and Alan Willison
- 2024 Heritage Oshawa Work Plan and Budget Working Group
 - Chris Lapa (chair), Alan Willison, and Diane Stephen
- 407/Windfields Salvaged Items Working Group
 - Diane Stephen (chair), Robert Bell, and Patty Davis

Recommendation

That Report HTG-24-03 be endorsed as Heritage Oshawa's 2023 Year End Accomplishments Report to be included in the Council Information Package.

If you have any questions please contact Harrison Whilsmith at 905-436-3311, extension 2697 or hwhilsmith@oshawa.ca.



Harrison Whilsmith, Planner A
Policy