



# Memorandum

Economic and Development Services Department

**Date:** January 24, 2025

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**To:** Heritage Oshawa

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

**Re:** **Heritage Oshawa 2024 Year-End Accomplishments**

The following report provides an overview of the Heritage Oshawa Advisory Committee's accomplishments as of year-end 2024.

## Members

The Committee is made up of seven (7) citizen volunteers, as well as one (1) City Council representative and one (1) Stakeholder Member from the Oshawa Historical Society.

The following members served in all or part of 2024:

- Diane Stephen, Chair;
- Patty Davis, Vice-Chair;
- James Bountrogiannis, Member;
- John O'Boyle, Member;
- Nadim Lalani, Member;
- Robert Bell, Member;
- Sarah Smale, Member;
- Councillor Brian Nicholson, Council Representative (January – February);
- Councillor Jim Lee, Council Representative (March – December); and,
- Jennifer Weymark, Oshawa Historical Society Stakeholder Member.

## Heritage Oshawa Accomplishments

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

By year-end 2024, Heritage Oshawa reviewed and provided comments/feedback to City staff on various development applications, projects, and other matters including, but not limited to:

- Application under Section 32 of the Ontario Heritage Act to Repeal Part of Designation By-law 148-2011 – 452 Simcoe Street North;
- Oshawa Official Plan Review;
- Committee of Adjustment Application at 58 Riverside Drive North, adjacent to the designated 46 Riverside Drive North;
- Two (2) Sign Applications at 70 King Street East;
- Site Plan Application at 39 Athol Street West;

- Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications at 111-117 King Street East; and
- Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications at 1600 Conlin Road East.

### Heritage Research

By year-end 2024, funds were used from the 2024 Heritage Oshawa Budget to procure heritage research reports to potentially support designation for the following two (2) properties:

- 442 King Street East; and,
- 37 Adelaide Avenue West.

### Attendance at Public Events

Over the course of 2024, Heritage Oshawa members attended the following three (3) events to engage with the public and gain knowledge on cultural heritage matters:

- Oshawa Markets to celebrate Heritage Week;
- 2024 Ontario Heritage Conference in Gravenhurst, Ontario; and,
- Canada Day celebrations at Lakeview Park.

### Annual Memberships

Heritage Oshawa continues to support the following organizations through annual memberships:

- 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 2024, 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:

- 291 King Street East Designation Working Group
  - James Bountrogiannis (chair), Sarah Smale, Patty Davis, and Diane Stephen
- Heritage Week Working Group
  - Robert Bell (chair), Patty Davis, and Diane Stephen
- Evaluation and Inventory Working Group
  - Diane Stephen (chair), Sarah Smale, Robert Bell, and Patty Davis (replaced James Bountrogiannis)
- Centennial Brochure Working Group
  - Diane Stephen (chair), Robert Bell, and Patty Davis

- Albert Street Bridge and Farewell Street Multi-Use Bridge Working Group
  - John O'Boyle (chair), Diane Stephen, and James Bountrogiannis
- 2024 Heritage Oshawa Work Plan Review Working Group
  - Diane Stephen (chair), Patty Davis, and John O'Boyle
- 2025 Heritage Oshawa Work Plan and Budget Working Group
  - Patty Davis (chair), James Bountrogiannis, Sarah Smale, and Diane Stephen
- Canada Day 2024 Working Group
  - Robert Bell (chair), Patty Davis, and Diane Stephen
- Cowan House Plaque Working Group
  - Diane Stephen (chair), Robert Bell, and Jennifer Weymark

### **Recommendation**

That Report HTG-25-02 dated January 24, 2025 be endorsed as Heritage Oshawa's 2024 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 by email to [hwhilsmith@oshawa.ca](mailto:hwhilsmith@oshawa.ca).

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