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To: Heritage Oshawa

From: Connor Leherbauer, Planner B
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Re: 2021 Year-end Accomplishments

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The following report provides a brief overview of the accomplishments of the Heritage Oshawa Advisory Committee (“Heritage Oshawa”) as of year-end 2021.

1.0 Mandate

The mandate of Heritage Oshawa, the City of Oshawa’s Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, established by Oshawa City Council by By-law 2-2011, is “to advise and assist Council on all matters relating to the designation and preservation of heritage properties as well as the education and promotion of the City’s cultural heritage resources.”

2.0 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 2021:

- Diane Stephen, Chair;
- Nadim Lalani, Vice Chair;
- Councillor Jane Hurst, Council Representative;
- Jennifer Weymark, Oshawa Historical Society Stakeholder Member;
- Ann Dulhanty, Former Member;
- Alan Willison, Member;
- Alison Forsey, Member;
- Chris Lapa, Member;
- Jane Clark, Former Member; and,
- Robert Bell, Member.

3.0 Heritage Oshawa Accomplishments

Due to the suspension of in-person Advisory Committee meetings in March 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and the resultant limitations on in-person gatherings, Heritage Oshawa met virtually for the entirety of 2021.

By year-end 2021, Heritage Oshawa had reviewed and provided comments/feedback (where desired) on 15 development applications and special projects, including but not limited to:

- Metrolinx's Durham-Scarborough Bus Rapid Transit Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report by IBI Group;
- The Region of Durham's Envision Durham - Proposed Policy Direction Report Overview;
- A draft Heritage Conservation District Plan for the South Field of the Oshawa Executive Airport; and,
- A draft Preferred Land Use and Road Plan, Land Budget and Supporting Documents for the Integrated Columbus Part II Planning Act and Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Act Study.

In addition, Heritage Oshawa reviewed and provided comments and feedback to City staff on the following items:

- Four (4) draft Heritage Research Reports procured by Heritage Oshawa, for 827 Gordon Street, 39 King Street East, 117 King Street East, and 122 Division Street;
- The wording for draft designation statement and descriptions for 3860 Simcoe Street North, 304 Simcoe Street South/9 and 17 Quebec Street, 1600 Conlin Road East, 2651 Harmony Road North, and Lakeview Park; and,
- A proposed plaque wording for 750 King Street East.

In 2021, Heritage Oshawa made a motion to the Development Services Committee to recommend designation for each of the following five (5) properties under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*:

- 304 Simcoe Street South/9 and 17 Quebec Street;
- 1, 3, 5 Simcoe Street South, 3, 5, 7 King Street East;
- 122 Division Street;
- 39 King Street East; and,
- 195 Simcoe Street North.

In addition, as a result of a Heritage Oshawa recommendation previous to 2021, City Council approved the following five (5) properties for designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in 2021:

- The City-owned Canteen Building at 1000 Stevenson Road North;
- The City-owned Stores Building at 1000 Stevenson Road North;
- 1600 Conlin Road East;
- 2651 Harmony Road North; and,
- 3860 Simcoe Street North.

Based upon a recommendation from Heritage Oshawa in 2003, City Council directed staff in 2020 to advance the designation of Oshawa's first-ever Heritage Conservation District (H.C.D.) under Part V of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, for the core area of the South Field encompassing Airmen's Park, the No. 10 Building owned by the 420 Wing, the former Canteen, and the former Stores Building.

The draft H.C.D. Study document was reviewed by Heritage Oshawa in November 2020 and subsequently endorsed by City Council in December 2020. The draft H.C.D. Plan document was reviewed by Heritage Oshawa in May 2021 and subsequently endorsed by City Council in June 2021.

4.0 Heritage Oshawa Working Group Accomplishments

In 2021, 12 working groups were established by Heritage Oshawa to carry out specific projects/events included in the 2021 Work Plan:

- 70+ Properties (1951) List Review Working Group;
- 2021 Inventory Working Group;
- Opportunity for Designation Letters Review Working Group;
- Simcoe/King Designation Working Group;
- Durham-Scarborough BRT CHER Review Working Group;
- 2020 Annual Report Working Group;
- 2022 Work Plan and Budget Working Group;
- 39 King St E Research Report Review Working Group;
- 827 Gordon St Research Report Review Working Group;
- 122 Division St Research Report Review Working Group;
- Draft South Field HCD Plan Review Working Group; and,
- Columbus Part II Plan Review Working Group.

Recommendation

That Report HTG-22-04 be endorsed as Heritage Oshawa's 2021 Accomplishments Report to be included in the Council Information Package.

If you require further information or clarification, please contact Connor Leherbauer by telephone at (905) 436-3311, extension 2402 or by email to cleherbauer@oshawa.ca.



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