

**Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee** 

13 May 2016

Ms. Caroline Kimble Land Use Planner City of Peterborough 500 George Street North Peterborough, ON

Re: PACAC Response to File Z1604, 217 Murray Street

Dear Ms. Kimble,

The Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (PACAC) reviewed the zoning amendment application at its meeting on May 05, 2016.

The committee recognizes the valuable work that The Brock Mission does in the community to support many people in need.

While the committee supports the redevelopment of the site for the proposed new "Crisis Care Shelter" facility, it does have concerns regarding the design of the building. This new facility will be adjacent to 217 Murray Street, the Peterborough Drill Hall/Armoury, a National Historic Site. In particular, the following comments were raised at the meeting:

- Massing of the proposed new structure- there is a desire that the front elevation should maintain the scale of the street;
- A design improvement that would soften the façade, and take design queues from the existing neighborhood;
- Placement of the building on the lot so that there is increased community space at the front of the structure, reflecting the current use patterns by the residents.

PACAC believes that a community's ability to respect its built heritage while achieving progress in the historic downtown area will provide an exceptional place to live for future generations. We look forward to further reviews and communication on this project as it progresses.

Stewart Hamilton

PACAC Committee Chair

cc; Mr. Ken Doherty, Director of Community Services

cc: Mr. Dean Pappas City Councillor (PACAC Council Representative)

cc: PACAC File