

Peterborough

TO:	Members of the Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (PACAC)
FROM:	Erik Hanson, Heritage Resources Coordinator
MEETING DATE:	March 13, 2012
SUBJECT:	Report PACAC12-010 Coordination of Heritage Workshop

## PURPOSE

A report to recommend that the PACAC undertake the coordination of a community heritage workshop in the spring of 2012.

## RECOMMENDATION

That the Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report PACAC12-010 dated March 13, 2012, of the Heritage Resources Coordinator as follows:

That the PACAC undertake the coordination of a public workshop on a heritage related topic of interest and value to the community.

## **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The total cost of the workshop would be dependent on the choice of venue, any costs related to hiring a speaker, materials and hospitality. Currently there is an uncommitted balance in the PACAC reserve account of \$17,002.31 and an uncommitted balance in the Doors Open account of \$2,500.

## BACKGROUND

PACAC's by-law (06-193) outlines the activities of the committee including sections:

3.1.h Strive to increase awareness in Peterborough about heritage conservation;

3.1.i Act as an advocate on heritage conservation matters

In 2007 the PACAC also developed a Strategic Plan which included supporting the creation of a "fully engaged and aware community – well educated about its diverse heritage". Both the enabling by-law and the strategic plan provide direction supporting the coordination of educational opportunities for the community. In the past PACAC has undertaken the provision of workshops for the public on heritage related issues including topics like an introduction to architectural styles, researching house histories and insurance for heritage buildings.

One area where the PACAC has never provided community workshops is conservation of materials on heritage buildings. Such topics might include:

- preservation of historic masonry;
- the restoration of historic windows;
- the preservation of exterior wood siding;
- the conservation of historic plasterwork;
- stopping water infiltration in historic buildings, and
- energy efficiency for historic buildings

The Heritage Preservation Office has access to an extended network of conservation professionals able to provide presentations or more extensive workshops on many conservation topics. Once a topic is chosen staff will provide budget details at a subsequent meeting of the Committee.

Submitted by,

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