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**Peterborough**

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**TO:** Members of the Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (PACAC)

**FROM:** Erik Hanson, Heritage Resources Coordinator

**MEETING DATE:** March 13, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Report PACAC12-016  
Delegation by Denise Therrien Re. 221 London Street

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## **PURPOSE**

A report to inform the Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee ("PACAC") that Denise Therrien will make a delegation regarding the inclusion of 221 London Street in the Heritage Property Tax Relief Program.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee approve the recommendations outlined in Report PACAC12-016 dated March 13, 2012, of the Heritage Resources Coordinator as follows:

- a) That the delegation by Denise Therrien be received for information; and,
- b) That the PACAC recommend to Council that the property at 221 London Street be granted an exception and enrolled in the HPTRP.

## **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no budget or financial implications resulting from the approval of the recommendation of Report PACAC12-016.

## **BACKGROUND**

On March 23, 2009, 221 London Street known as “Hartley House” was designated by Council By-law 09-021, pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act. The owner of the property had sought designation and inclusion in the Heritage Property Tax Relief Program (“HPTRP”). The building was evaluated for its heritage significance in 2004 and scored 57.75 making it eligible for designation as a Category ‘B’ property.

On June 18, 2009 the owner of the property met with the City’s Heritage Researcher to make application to the HPTRP, although she was informed that 221 London Street was not eligible for inclusion in the HPTRP because it lay outside the program boundaries. She was also informed at the time that the HPTRP was under review and that the boundaries might be changed at Council’s discretion.

Under the original By-law 03-208 passed October 27, 2003 and By-law 04-023 passed February 16, 2004, which amended it, Section 8 provides that:

Notwithstanding Section 7 (Program Boundaries) of this by-law, Council may, by by-law, and upon the recommendation of P.A.C.A.C., extend the Program to any heritage property in the City, on a case by case basis.

Section ten of the current, revised By-law 11-086, passed June 27, 2011, is specific in making exceptions to the program boundaries:

Notwithstanding Section 9 of this by-law, Council may, by by-law, and upon the recommendation of the Municipal Heritage Committee (hereinafter “PACAC”), extend the Program to any Heritage Property in the City, on a case-by-case basis. A property outside of the Central Area must have received a score of 70 or better on PACAC’s property evaluation score sheet before PACAC is permitted to make a recommendation to Council.

Given that the application for enrollment of 221 London Street was initially made prior to the review and passage of the revised Heritage Property Tax Relief Program by-law on June 27, 2011, Staff is recommending that the property be grandfathered under the original by-law and that the PACAC recommend to Council that the property be enrolled in the HPTRP. If the recommendations of this report are approved, Staff will forward the opinion of the PACAC to Council under cover of a staff report.

The HPO is sympathetic to the owner's concerns, as the geographical boundaries of the HPTRP clearly do not match the historical development of the City. The HPO has asked that the Planning Division give consideration to the creation of a new Official Plan schedule that would capture a more accurate scope of the heritage resources of the City. Support by the PACAC for the creation of an Official Plan schedule that recognizes the historic evolution of the City would be a valuable addition to the review process.

Submitted by,

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