

18 September 2012

Mr. Keith Payne
Urban Design Technologist
City of Peterborough
500 George Street North
Peterborough, ON

Re: PACAC Response to File: SPC-843 Notice of Application for Site Plan Approval
Address: 242-248 Charlotte Street and 321-331 Aylmer Street

Dear Mr. Payne

The buildings located on this site have been evaluated and none would be eligible for historical designation.

The Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (PACAC) reviewed the application for site plan approval at its meeting on September 11th, 2012. Several areas of concern were raised at that time. The following is a summary of these concerns and comments raised in the course of the discussion.

Healthy cities must grow and change and the preservation of a community's heritage is a critical part of that process. In-fill developments in areas of the City's downtown core need to be of a high level of design that complements adjacent heritage structures.

The intersection of Charlotte and Aylmer Streets represents a strong presence at the entrance to our historic downtown core. Therefore, PACAC would like the new development to align and reflect the City's current Site and Urban Design Guidelines.

In the recent past other new developments in this same area have worked diligently and have achieved a high level of success in this same regard.

The City needs to demand the same attention to these design principles when considering site plan approvals concerned with this development. High design values and massing considerations for the properties should be consistent with current neighborhood development.

Attached also find a letter from Mr. John Summers, Chair of A.C.H.A.C. regarding the above mentioned proposed development.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stewart Hamilton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Stewart Hamilton
PACAC Chair