

To: Members of the Peterborough Architectural Conservation

Advisory Committee (PACAC)

From: Erik Hanson, Heritage Resources Coordinator

Meeting Date: September 4, 2014

Subject: Report PACAC14-024

Heritage Preservation Office Report

Purpose

A report to advise the PACAC on the monthly activities of the Heritage Preservation Office (HPO) for June through August, 2014.

Recommendation

That the Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report PACAC14-024, dated September 4, 2014 of the Heritage Resources Coordinator, as follows:

That the report with respect to the monthly activities of the Heritage Preservation Office for June through August, 2014 be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

Doors Open 2015 – Doors Open Peterborough will be held at Trent University in 2015 to coincide with the University's 50th Anniversary celebrations. Members of the Doors Open Peterborough Committee attended a preliminary meeting with representatives from Trent University on June 24 to discuss the conceptual approach to the event, and related logistics. Planning meetings will be held at regular intervals beginning this month.

The Ontario Heritage Trust is hosting a Doors Open Symposium in London on the evening of Wednesday, October 8, and all day on Thursday, October 9. The theme for Doors Open Ontario 2015 is *Ontario's Sporting History*. There will be presentations from various participating communities about innovations in planning and implementation, as well as approaches to incorporating the Doors Open Ontario theme.

Trent University Architectural Advisory Committee – The Trent University administration is seeking to establish an Architectural Advisory Committee to provide guidance in support of the University's rich design legacy. The PACAC may wish to consider nominating one of its members to sit on the committee once it is formed.

Martha Kidd Commemoration – The project sub-committee circulated a "Call for Abstracts" on June 13. The deadline for submissions was July 9. Due to the less than desirable response, the sub-committee has opted to work with editor Michael Eamon to undertake a more targeted approach to the recruitment of authors.

Heritage Property Tax Relief Program – Over the course of July, City Staff undertook inspections of all 75 properties enrolled in the Heritage Property Tax Relief Program. These inspections provided an opportunity to connect with owners and tenants about various aspects of the care and maintenance of their designated property. The Heritage Preservation Office (HPO) will follow-up with letters to each property owner, containing specific recommendations about the repair and maintenance required to their building. The HPO also intends to prepare more general tip sheets to assist owners with various practical aspects of the preservation process including, masonry, foundation plantings, and the avoidance of water damage.

International Conference on the Study of Canada – Trent University will be hosting an international conference on the study of Canada, "Contesting Canada's Future", from May 21-23, 2015. The organizing committee has made it a priority to extend the conference beyond the academic community to include cultural and activist communities within Peterborough. Dr. Michael Eamon has formed a sub-committee concerned with engaging members of the arts, culture and heritage community in various aspects of the conference. This committee, which includes the HPO, has met on three occasions to discuss ways in which local organizations and institutions might play a role in the conference.

A formal schedule for the conference is in process, but the PACAC may wish to consider participating in a portion of the Cultural Fair that is being planned for Friday, May 22 and Saturday, May 23. An opportunity may also exist for the Doors Open Committee to provide a guided architectural tour of the Symons Campus at Trent on the morning of Thursday, May 21, drawing on material from the Doors Open Peterborough event earlier that month.

More information about the conference is available at: http://www.trentu.ca/canadaconference2015/

Peterborough Museum and Archives – The renovations to the Peterborough Museum and Archives are on schedule and the return of the archives holdings is scheduled to begin in the late fall. The entire collection will be re-housed by February or March of 2015.

Fleming Intern- Heather Boyd, a student in the Fleming College Museum Conservation program, will be interning with the HPO for the fall term. Heather will be updating the Register of Eligible Properties, coordinating public consultation and preparing the Register for Council approval in early 2015.

Mount St. Joseph- The first phase of the housing conversion at Mount St. Joseph has begun. The demolition of the interior of the 1970's wing is underway in preparation for the construction of 47 affordable housing units.

Circulations Received for Comment

File: Z1415 Notice of Complete Application for Zoning By-Law Amendment

Address: 824 Lansdowne Street West

Proposed Amendment –Development Description: The applicant proposes to amend the Zoning of the property from the C.4 – Commercial District to SP.268 – Commercial District with a site specific exemption to permit a bank, financial institution or loan company and to recognize the location of the existing building and freestanding sign on the property.

The applicant further proposes to introduce exceptions to the regulations to permit an increased building coverage from a maximum of 20% of the lot area to a maximum of 22.5% of the lot area; and to exempt the lands from the requirement for landscaped open space and a planting strip, in accordance with the existing conditions of the site.

Recommendation by Staff: No comment required

File: Z1409

Address: 565 Stewart Street

Notice of Public Meeting: The City of Peterborough Planning Committee will hold a public meeting in the Council Chambers, City Hall at 6:30 p.m. Monday, September 15, 2014 to consider the Zoning By-Law Amendment under Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13.

Recommendation by Staff: No comment required

File: Z1413

Address: 294 Rubidge Street

Notice of Public Meeting: The City of Peterborough Planning Committee will hold a public meeting in the Council Chambers, City Hall at 6:30 p.m. Monday, September 15, 2014 to consider the Zoning By-Law Amendment under Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13.

Recommendation by Staff: No comment required

File: Z1414

Address: 482 Mark Street

Notice of Public Meeting: The City of Peterborough Planning Committee will hold a public meeting in the Council Chambers, City Hall at 6:30 p.m. Monday, September 15, 2014 to consider the Zoning By-Law Amendment under Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13.

Recommendation by Staff: The Chair of the PACAC responded to this application during the summer break. The response included a reminder that the property is designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, and that any proposed alterations must be reviewed by the HPO through the submission of a formal Application for Alterations.

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