

To: Members of the Peterborough Architectural Conservation

**Advisory Committee (PACAC)** 

From: Erik Hanson, Heritage Resources Coordinator

Meeting Date: June 3, 2021

Subject: Report PACAC21-012

**Overview of National Historic Site Nomination Process** 

## **Purpose**

A report to provide the PACAC with an overview of the process for nominating a property as a National Historic Site (NHS).

## Recommendations

That the Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee approve the recommendations outlined in Report PACAC21-012, dated June 3, 2021 of the Heritage Resources Coordinator, as follows:

- a) That the presentation on the process for nominating a property as a NHS be received for information, and;
- b) That the PACAC recommend to Council that the City begin the process for nominating the Courthouse Precinct as a National Historic Site.

## **Budget and Financial Implications**

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

## **Background**

At the General Committee meeting of April 12, 2021 Council adopted the recommendations of report CSACH21-003 to designate the Peterborough County Courthouse property at 470 Water Street. At the Council Meeting of April 26, 2021, Council added a further recommendation that: "Staff report to Council, through PACAC, on the feasibility of obtaining a national heritage designation for the courthouse precinct".

Sites to be considered for NHS status are reviewed and approved by the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada through a framework for commemoration known as the National Historic Sites System Plan (2019). A presentation on the current direction for historic commemorations at the national level and the process for nominating a property as an NHS will be provided by Colin Walsh, the HPO's Young Canada Works summer student.

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