

TO: Members of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory

Committee (ACHAC)

FROM: Erik Hanson, Heritage Resources Coordinator

MEETING DATE: January 9, 2014

SUBJECT: Report ACHAC14-005

Heritage Preservation Office Report

Purpose

A report to advise the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee on the monthly activities of the Heritage Preservation Office (HPO) for November and December of 2013.

Recommendation

That the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC14-005, dated January 9, 2014 of the Heritage Resources Coordinator, as follows:

That the report with respect to the monthly activities of the Heritage Preservation Office for November and December 2013, be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

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

Background

Doors Open 2014 – Doors Open Peterborough 2014 will celebrate innovation in Peterborough since World War I. Doors Open will take place on May 3, 2014, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Committee is in the process of approaching sites to participate in this event.

Beneath the Canopy - The Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee, in partnership with GreenUp has published a book on Peterborough's urban forest. *Beneath the Canopy* is a collection of the stories submitted by members of the community during the Treasured Tree Hunt in 2012 about trees that held special meaning. In addition guest writers have contributed chapters about the importance of the urban forest to healthy communities. The launch of the book will take place at the Lawn Bowling Club – 577 McDonnel Street, on January 8, 2014 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm.

Crescent Street Heritage Study - The City of Peterborough is currently updating the Special Policy Area for the south shoreline of Little Lake. As part of the work the City has retained ERA Architects, Inc. to undertake a Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (CHAR) that summarizes the history, design and context of the area, assesses if the area has cultural heritage value or interest, and the key heritage attributes that define the cultural heritage value as applicable. The Study Area extends from Del Crary Park, south and east along Crescent Street to Little Lake Cemetery. The area will include Ware Street and be bounded to the west by George Street. The CHAR will provide valuable cultural heritage information for the consultants when determining the appropriateness of redevelopment of the Crescent St neighbourhood.

HCD Update - ERA Architects Inc. (ERA) has completed the initial research phase of the Heritage Conservation District Study for the Avenues Neighbourhood. The firm has released a Background Issues Identification Report that introduces the Avenues Heritage Conservation District (HCD) Study to the community, outlines the work completed to date, describes the Study Area, outlines the study process and community consultation program, determines the appropriateness of an interim control by-law, and provides a high level review of relevant City of Peterborough policies to identify potential opportunities, challenges and links to the HCD Study.

The Fleming College Museum Management and Curatorship Program students have completed their research project on the area and that information is being gathered into the data collection application designed by the City's GIS office. The first neighbourhood meeting was held on November 14, 2013 with approximately 35 people in attendance.

Presentation to Fleming Students - Staff from the ACH Division presented a guest lecture to the Cultural Heritage Conservation and Management Program on December 2, 2013 on the implementation of the Municipal Cultural Plan, municipal cultural mapping and the operations of the Heritage preservation Office.

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