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**Peterborough**

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**To:** Members of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Advisory Committee

**From:** Ken Doherty, Director of Community Services

**Meeting Date:** February 13, 2014

**Subject:** Report ACHAC14-006  
Louis Street Urban Square Update

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## **Purpose**

A report to introduce a presentation by Brian Buchardt, Urban Planner, on the status of the Louis Street Urban Park.

## **Recommendation**

That the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC14-006, dated February 13, 2013 of Director of Community Services, as follows:

That the presentation by Brian Buchardt be received for information.

## **Budget and Financial Implications**

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

## Background

At its meeting of August 27, 2012, Council sitting as the Planning Committee approved the use of the Louis Street parking lot for the development of a downtown Urban Park. The development of a public square is one of the key strategies of the Central Area Master Plan, a component of the Official Plan. Council approved funding for the design phase of the project in 2013 and has allocated further funding in the 2014 capital budget.

The Park is envisioned to be sited on an area comprised of the parking lot consolidated with Louis Street to the east and bounded by Charlotte Street on the north and King Street on the south. The plan is part of the larger Charlotte Street Renewal Project from Water Street to Park Street.

Currently the major components of the Park will include:

- a site for the Downtown Farmer's Market
- an area that would serve as a water play area in the warm weather season and a skating rink in the winter
- a performing arts stage with washrooms and storage facilities, and
- space for the installation of public art.

The ACHAC first received a presentation on the project in September of 2010. Brian Buchardt, Planner, Urban Design will provide the ACHAC with an update on the project.

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