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To: Chair and Members, London Advisory Committee on Heritage

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Re: **2016 Heritage Planning Program**

Overview

The following information provides a summary of the 2016 Heritage Planning Program.

At the end of 2016, London has:

- Seven Heritage Conservation Districts with over 4,000 heritage designated properties;
- 328 individual heritage designated properties;
- 1,740 heritage listed properties; and,
- One cultural heritage landscape.

London Advisory Committee on Heritage

At the direction of Municipal Council, the London Advisory Committee on Heritage (LACH) prepared, adopted, and monitored its first Work Plan in 2016. The LACH provided comments and advice to Civic Administration and Municipal Council on a variety of matters within the scope of its Terms of Reference including: Heritage Impact Statements, vacant buildings, cultural heritage interpretive signs, commemoration of historical figures, planning and development applications, environmental assessments, parks, community improvement plans, consultations with property owners, and the Ontario Culture Strategy.

Archaeological Resources

The Archaeological Master Plan Review Project commenced in 2016. Progress included two meetings of the Steering Committee for the project, as well as outreach at International Archaeology Day at the Museum of Ontario Archaeology on October 15, 2016.

Preliminary findings of the Archaeological Master Plan Review Project found the existing archaeological potential model to be working at an efficacy rate of 100% with the inclusion of alluvial soils for Indigenous/Pre-Contact archaeological resources and 72% for Historical/Colonial archaeological resources. Further work continues.

Additions to the *Inventory of Heritage Resources* (Register)

Three properties were added to the *Inventory of Heritage Resources* (Register pursuant to Section 27 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*) in 2016:

- Western Counties Cultural Heritage Landscape;
- 21 Wharncliffe Road South (Children’s Museum/former Riverview Public School); and,
- 5200 Wellington Road South (Regina Mundi Catholic College).

Part IV Designations

Four properties were designated under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in 2016:

- 235 Thames Street (King Street Bridge);
- 864-872 Dundas Street (LIFE*SPIN);
- 68 Bruce Street;
- 1656 Hyde Park Road.

Notice of Intent to Designate 4402 Colonel Talbot Road (McEachren Public School/Lambeth Continuation School) under the *Ontario Heritage Act* was appealed to the Conservation Review Board. The Conservation Review Board hearing was scheduled for January 30-31, 2017.

Municipal Council also resolved to issue its Notice of Intent to Designate 129 Langarth Street East under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Technical Amendment/Repeal of Designating By-law

A technical error in the designating by-law for 3551 Colonel Talbot Road (Mathers Cemetery) was corrected.

The designating by-law for 275 Thames Street (former location of the Fugitive Slave Chapel, now located at 432 Grey Street) was repealed.

A request to repeal the designating by-law for 142 Kent Street was refused by Municipal Council on June 23, 2016.

Heritage Conservation Districts

The St. George-Grosvenor Heritage Conservation District Study continued in 2016 with a third Community Information Meeting held on June 28, 2016. The draft and revised St. George-Grosvenor Heritage Conservation District Study were published on the City’s webpage for the project. Actions directed by Municipal Council following the January 17, 2017 adoption of the St. George-Grosvenor Heritage Conservation District Study will be included in the 2017 Annual Report.

Heritage Alteration Permits

Sixty Heritage Alteration Permits were process in 2016. Eighteen Heritage Alteration Permit applications required consultation with the LACH and approval by Municipal Council. Forty-two Heritage Alteration Permit applications met the parameters of the Delegated Authority By-law and were approved by the City Planner.

Municipal Council Approval	Delegated Authority Approval
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1040 Waterloo Street; ▪ 31 Argyle Street ▪ 840 Wellington Street; ▪ 455 Clarence Street; ▪ 516 Grosvenor Street; ▪ West London Dyke; ▪ 853 Waterloo Street; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 147 Wortley Road; ▪ 2-4 Cartwright Street; ▪ 410 Dufferin Avenue; ▪ 326 St. James Street; ▪ 167 Wharncliffe Road North; ▪ 239 Tecumseh Avenue East; ▪ 228-230 Dundas Street;

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Harris Park Pavilion; ▪ 216 Wharncliffe Road North; ▪ 104 Wortley Road; ▪ 504 Colborne Street; ▪ 882 Lorne Avenue; ▪ 183 Bruce Street; ▪ 865 Hellmuth Avenue; ▪ 293 Central Avenue; ▪ 40 Byron Avenue East; ▪ 421 Ridout Street North; ▪ 309-311 Wolfe Street. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 176 Dundas Street; ▪ 473 Baker Street; ▪ 517 Dufferin Avenue; ▪ 312 Grosvenor Street; ▪ 842 Wellington Street; ▪ 96 Bruce Street; ▪ 36 Grosvenor Street; ▪ 259 Sydenham Street; ▪ 408 Simcoe Street' ▪ 468 Wellington Street; ▪ 864-872 Dundas Street; ▪ 773 Wellington Street; ▪ 100 Dundas Street; ▪ 23 Euclid Avenue; ▪ 4 Covent Market Place; ▪ 525 Princess Avenue; ▪ 42 Oxford Street West; ▪ 167 Duchess Avenue; ▪ 790 Wellington Street; ▪ 1 Dundas Street; ▪ 169 Wharncliffe Road North; ▪ 188-190 Dundas Street; ▪ 272 Grosvenor Street; ▪ 71 King Street; ▪ 174 Wortley Road; ▪ 633 Dufferin Avenue; ▪ 553 Dufferin Avenue; ▪ 209 Dundas Street; ▪ 161 Duchess Avenue; ▪ 469 Waterloo Street.
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No Heritage Alteration Permit applications were refused in 2016. One Heritage Alteration Permit application was withdrawn. Some properties listed above received multiple, separate Heritage Alteration Permits but are only listed once.

The increasing number of Heritage Alteration Permit applications correlates to a growing number of heritage designated properties, particularly within London’s Heritage Conservation Districts. However the number of Heritage Alteration Permits noted above only accounts for alterations requiring approval under the *Ontario Heritage Act*; a more fulsome account of review undertaken by staff will be provided for 2017.

Non-compliance and works initiated without receiving Heritage Alteration Permit approval continues to be a cause for concern and the primary reason to refer Heritage Alteration Permit applications to the LACH for Municipal Council approval. In the latter half of 2016, over twenty properties were found to have initiated alterations without Heritage Alteration Permit approval.

Demolitions

The following properties received consent to demolish from Municipal Council and were removed from the *Inventory of Heritage Resources* (Register) in 2016:

- 78-88 Oxford Street West;

- 5067 Cook Road;
- 5221 Cook Road;
- 269 Thames Street;
- 191 Commissioners Road East;
- 479-489 Talbot Street (Camden Terrace);
- 806 Victoria Street (St. Peter's Cemetery; note: property not removed from Register).

The LACH recommended designation of 479-489 Talbot Street (Camden Terrace) at its meeting on September 14, 2016. Municipal Council did not accept this recommendation and Camden Terrace was demolished in October-November 2016.

The following three properties located within a Heritage Conservation District obtained approval from Municipal Council to demolish with conditions in 2016:

- 175-179-181 King Street;
- 102 Wharnccliffe Road North;
- Rear of 183 King Street.

Staff also completed Step 2 of the Required Clearances for Demolition Permit for an additional 84 properties in 2016.