

LACH

Planning and Policy Subcommittee Report – June 11, 2014

At its meeting of June 9, 2014 the Planning and Policy Subcommittee discussed the following matters for consideration by LACH:

Present: Derek Dudek (chair), Greg Thompson, Heather Garrett, Wes Kinghorn, Jim Cushing, Don Menard (City)
Absent: Stephanie Potter

1. Blackfriars / Petersville Official Plan & Zoning Study

P&P Subcommittee discussed the proposed options put forward by City staff for the possible site specific redesignation and/or rezoning of lands of the above noted area, it being noted that the area includes the soon to be approved Blackfriars HCD. It was discussed that any recommendation by LACH should be within its mandate to advise Council on heritage matters, rather than matters of community planning, by-law enforcement, or type of use. It's noted that City Planning staff support Option #2 to restrict the use of buildings in the overall area to single detached dwellings and existing two unit dwellings. P&P Subcommittee felt that *form*, rather than *use*, was the more appropriate way to ensure that heritage attributes of the new HCD and surrounding area would be protected. This was based on past experience in other HCD's in the City. As such P&P Subcommittee recommends Option #4 which further regulates the form of development (ie. maximum height, minimum landscaped open space, etc.) on top of the efforts already undertaken by the City through zoning by-law amendments initiated under the Great Near Campus Neighbourhoods initiative.

THAT LACH recommends to Council the use of Option #4 outlined in report OZ-8295 regarding potential Planning Act controls as an effective means to ensure the preservation of heritage attributes within the Blackfriars / Petersville neighbourhood.

2. Request for updates on Outstanding items

Discussion was had on a number of outstanding items that remain with City staff for comment including:

- Delegation of Authority By-law – will possibly be brought forward to LACH in September 2014;
- Inventory of vacant "listed" heritage buildings – Chair to request by email to City staff;
- Notification signage for heritage alteration permits – will possibly be addressed through Delegation of Authority By-law.

THAT LACH circulate internally the inventory upon receipt from City staff.

3. 20-year Official Plan review – ReThink London

The P&P subcommittee briefly discussed the heritage planning policies in the draft London Plan but differed detailed discussion pending presentation by City Staff at June 11 LACH meeting of the whole; and to extend invitation to LACH archaeological representative and others for discussing at P&P subcommittee meeting.

No action required.