



Appendix A

LAV III Monument Community Application Form

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Proposed LAV Monument Address: The Royal Canadian Regiment Museum Outdoors Display Area, Wolseley Barracks, 701 Oxford Street East, London, Ontario, N5Y 4T7

Location Description:

The City of London and its partner The Royal Canadian Regiment Museum intend to locate the LAV III Monument at Wolseley Barracks for June 2017. The City of London will assume ownership and all future maintenance requirements of the monument, as per the City of London Public Art Program.

The Monument will be located on a permanent basis at Wolseley Barracks, a National Historic Site, and home to The Royal Canadian Regiment Museum. The Monument will be installed in the outdoor display area. A concrete pad, roughly 30' x 30', currently exists and a contractor will be hired to determine if this pad meets Canada Company's engineering requirements. If not, a new concrete pad will be built.

The display for the Monument will involve current military vehicles on display, commemorative plaques, interpretive signage, landscaping, and lighting. The Museum is bilingual and as such, the display for the LAV III will also feature bilingual signage. This is a highly visible location and the monument will be seen by cars on Oxford Street.



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The Museum is open 36 hours per week, including weekends, and is fully wheelchair accessible. The perimeter of the museum is secured and monitored 24/7 by the Military Police, as well as by volunteers during museum hours. The outdoor display area is under the 31st Canadian Brigade Group Headquarters. The Military Police detachment are present at all times to ensure the entire military base is protected against vandalism, theft, etc.

Location Photo



Proposed Location for
LAV III Monument



Community Description

Since its founding, London has had a strong connection to the Canadian forces and defence industry. The arrival of the British garrison in 1838 propelled London’s development. Troops were stationed in Victoria Park, bringing increased spending and population to the city.

In 1923, Wolseley Barracks became headquarters for The Royal Canadian Regiment and it is currently home to the 4th Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment (4RCR), as well as the Regional Cadet Organizations and 1st Hussars. The city is also home to numerous veterans groups and military museums, including The RCR Museum, The First Hussars Museum, The Secrets of Radar Museum, Garrison Community Council, and The Royal Canadian Legion.



London has direct ties to the conflict in Afghanistan. On October 7, 2006, London suffered a personal loss. A Londoner, Trooper Mark Andrew Wilson, Royal Canadian Dragoons, died at the age of 39 from an Improvised Explosive Device in Panjwayi District, Afghanistan. Numerous members of 4RCR or 1st Hussars served in Afghanistan throughout the duration of the conflict, from 2003 to 2014.

Additionally, London's military and defence industry have supported production of Light Armoured Vehicles and the LAV III monuments. Light Armoured Vehicles are built by General Dynamics Land Systems Canada in London. A number of local subcontractors have helped GDLSC build LAVs, including The Fluid Power House Inc., I.G.D. Machined & Tool Ltd., Cantwell Cullen & Company Inc., CoorsTek Engineered Metals (formerly Advance Manufacturing Technologies ULC), Rho-Can Machine & Tool Company Ltd., Abuma Manufacturing Ltd., Militex Coatings Inc., Davwire: Defense & Aviation Wiring Inc., Electrozad Supply Co. Ltd., and Hose Headquarters Ltd.

LAV III Monuments are also built in London. At Militex Coatings Inc., Welding Techniques students from Fanshawe College seal tank shells shut to create the monuments that are distributed to communities across Canada.

Community Outreach Description

The Royal Canadian Regiment Museum will be responsible for ongoing educational programs. These programs will include Remembrance Day or anniversary commemorations and specific museum programming. In partnership with the museum, London Heritage Council runs *Museum School London*, in which elementary school students are immersed in The Royal Canadian Regiment Museum for five days to learn about Canada's military history (<http://www.londonculture.ca/things-we-do/museum-school-london> and <http://www.thercrmuseum.ca/Visit>). London Heritage Council also runs *Doors Open London*, in which The Royal Canadian Regiment Museum annually participates. This weekend-long event provides the opportunity for the community to visit museums across London, free of charge (<http://www.londonculture.ca/things-we-do/doors-open-london-and-london-culture-days>).

Community Installation Readiness

The City of London intends to unveil the monument in June 2017, with an installation date of May 2017. Funding for the project is available and sourced from the City of London Public Art Program. The budget for this project is \$100,000.00. Additional sources of funding may be pursued through corporate sponsorship, in-kind donations, or grant programs. However, the project is already financially ready.



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The Project Team for this project has met with various military and veterans groups in London, including the Garrison Community Council, members from The Royal Canadian Regiment and First Hussars, and Militex Coatings Inc. We feel ready to proceed with the level of community support for the project.

The Project Team hopes to receive approval for the Monument by end of August 2016. Afterwards, the Project Team will begin implementation. The City of London will hire a contractor in early fall 2016, to determine if a new concrete pad is required. Meanwhile, The Royal Canadian Regiment Museum will work on the interpretive signage, which will be displayed alongside the commemorative plaques. These elements will be completed by March 2017, to ensure an installation date of May 2017 is met.

Royal Canadian Regiment Museum



To Whom It May Concern

Reference: LAVIII Monument at Wolseley Barracks

Date: 28 February 2016

The Royal Canadian Regiment Museum is deeply interested in working with the City of London and London Heritage Council towards acquiring and presenting the LAV III equipment, decommissioned and re-furbished to static display shape. The museum fully endorses the City Culture Office efforts to forward an application to Canada Company for obtaining the LAVIII.

The museum already possesses vehicles and equipment in use with the Canadian Army since the Second World War; some are part of the museum main galleries, but 8 of them form a small outdoors display section (six of them in the landscaped garden situated north of The Royal Canadian Regiment Cenotaph at Wolseley Barracks and 2 on each side of the said Cenotaph). All of these items are included in our public programming, mostly the education program created by the museum. A LAVIII would be a most desirable addition as it allows to exploring Canadian Peacekeeping missions (former Yugoslavia, Ethiopia and Eritrea) as well as the conflict in Afghanistan.

Our history of partnership with London Heritage Council and the City of London is consistent with the museum's community engagement strategic orientation. Since 2012 we have participated in all programs administered by LHC (Museum School, London Doors Open, and annual London Heritage Fair). Thousands of students and general public from London have since discovered our newly renovated facility, our vast collection including a large variety of artefacts, our expanded permanent gallery and our customer friendly gift shop.

The Royal Canadian Regiment Museum, as a component of The Royal Canadian Regiment, preserves, collects and presents artefacts, archives and other militaria that are relevant for the history of the Regiment in order to assist in building pride, esprit and solidarity amongst all members of The RCR family. The Museum is also fostering a deeper understanding of the Regimental experience, within the broader context of military and Canadian history, among other veterans, communities in the London area and all Canadians.

Should you have any further questions and/or concerns regarding the LAVIII Monument at Wolseley Barracks, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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WOLSELEY BARRACKS

References: A. LAV III Monument Program letter, 18 December 2015
B. LAV III Monument Program Proposal for Location at Wolseley Barracks


Dear Mrs. Armistead,

We received your cover letter and accompanying proposal for installing a LAV III Monument, to be provided by Canada Company as part of the LAV III Monument Program. My staff have reviewed the proposal for installing the monument at Wolseley Barracks, located at 701 Oxford Street East, London. At this time, I approve, in principle, your proposal so that you may submit your application to Canada Company's LAV III Monument Program to have a monument installed at Wolseley Barracks.

With the aim of ensuring that no ambiguity occurs between the City of London, London Heritage Council, and the Department of National Defence regarding the ownership and ongoing maintenance of the Monument, my staff will prepare a License Agreement and issue it to all involved parties for review and signature.

Should you require additional information, please feel free to contact Lieutenant-Colonel Don Saunders at (416) 633-6200 extension 5800 or don.saunders@forces.gc.ca.

Sincerely,



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