

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING COMMENTS

7. St. George-Grosvenor Heritage Conservation District

- Kelly McKeeting, 329 Victoria Street – indicating that she resides approximately three blocks outside of the proposed Heritage Conservation District boundaries; expressing support for the recommendations in the Study, both those that are specific and those that are general recommendations; commenting on the general recommendations; noting that in the document in front of the Planning and Environment Committee, the timing of the pursuit of the individual designations along Richmond Street is a little bit different than what is in the Study document and she would like to make a request that the individual designations of the homes along Richmond Street be pursued sooner rather than later; advising that she is not sure how long the Environmental Assessment related to the bus rapid transit is going to take but it does not make sense to her that the designation should wait for that; stating that she would like to see Council provide staff with the direction and the resources to pursue the individual designations along Richmond Street as soon as possible.
- Heather Garrett, Zelinka Priamo Ltd. – advising that they have been monitoring the District Plan for London Properties Corporation and Sun Life Investment Management, who own the group of properties referred to as the Grosvenor Gate properties in the District Study and the staff report; thanking everyone who has been involved as this was a very large Study and the amount of work has been incredible in detail; stating that everyone should be complimented on the amount of work completed; advising that, with respect to her clients' properties, they are happy with staff's recommendation and they look forward to being involved with the development of the District Plans individually.
- Doug Gordon, 191 Cromwell Street – commenting on the lack of designation where the Grosvenor Gate property is; advising that over the last twenty-five or thirty years, they have had Neighbourhood Associations be very vigilant about high rise development in that particular block that would have huge impact on traffic patterns and on the access to Gibbons Park as a children's area and play area; noting that his kids are grown up but the features of the neighbourhood have been important over the many years; indicating that he has lived here since the 1970's; stating that the Grosvenor Gate area not being designated, he is concerned about the kind of development, if it is adjacent to these other two areas if they are designated because they could have a real urban flaw in the middle of two very fine Heritage Conservation Districts; noting that he does not know what kinds of cautions there would be for the developers such as the person who just spoke because he knows that they had issues with what was proposed there at one point in time a few years ago.
- Mark Tovey, 205 Sydenham Street – expressing support for the Heritage Conservation District Study and for the staff recommendations.