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K. Gonyou

re: Request for demolition of the above property (published in the Londoner, Jan. 4, 2018).

The developer requesting the demolition of the property has had his proposal for a mini-unit apartment building unanimously voted no. The follow-up request for demolition does not have any merit in light of the lack of an approved building proposal. London has seen the demolition of heritage or worthwhile buildings allowed based on promised plans of new buildings. Many times these do not materialize. Fahri Holdings recently demolished a worthy building on Queens Avenue, near the corner of Clarence Street, on the promise of a retail/condo development which has not been built. The demolished building shared the streetscape with the London Club building (still standing) and made that part of the street at least interesting. Two heritage buildings were torn down to make way for a condo development at the southwest corner of Central and Waterloo Streets, attractive Victorian houses whose loss has diminished Woodfield's stock of this type of housing. The proposed development stands unfulfilled as does the large (former Supertest Station) lot. Demolition should not be permitted until a building permit is in place. Also, in the case of the Dufferin properties, the Woodfield Association is investigating the heritage merits of the existing building, a building which is in London's first designated heritage district.

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