

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING COMMENTS

3.3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING – Application – Heritage Places 2.0: A Description of Potential Heritage Conservation Districts in the City of London (O-8965)

- *(Councillor M. van Holst indicating that when they were doing the Community Improvement Plan for Hamilton Road, this question came up, staff was polling the citizens about various things and the idea of the heritage designation for the area came up and there was almost unanimously no; expressing concern that there may be areas up there where the citizens are not interested and if we do a bunch of work it would not be fruitful, it would be a waste of time; are we going to do that check as well to make sure that we are not doing a bunch of work unnecessarily.);* Ms. L. Dent, Heritage Planner, responding that these areas are not slated for designation, they have simply been identified through our process, through input from the heritage community in London that this area has heritage significance and that it merits further study for potential Heritage Conservation District; believing through the circulation of this draft document that they will take into consideration that type of input that they get from community groups such as the one that Councillor M. van Holst is mentioning; Mr. J.M. Fleming, Managing Director, Planning and City Planner, pointing out that the problem has actually been the opposite, that there have been communities that have been arguing over being the next in line for the next Heritage Conservation District and that is really what prompted Council to ask them to re-evaluate the list because there were a number of communities that were saying that they want to be designated and they want to be designated now and this helps to sort it out; understanding the point made by the Councillor but he wants to point out that there are many communities that are actually looking for this.
- *(Councillor A. Hopkins enquiring about the numbering one to fourteen, does that state the priorities, one being the priority of the candidate area or does it matter);* Ms. L. Dent, Heritage Planner, responding that yes, the numbering indicates a prioritization; direction from Council was not only to update the document and take a look at other potential areas that have heritage significance in the city but also to look at prioritization and she thinks that was the direction provided from Council.